If it is true that Mr. Gladstone has appointed Judah P. Benjamin, ex-Secretary of War to the defunct Confederacy, to a semi-diplomatic agency in Washington, he has done right. The ignorant and insulting impertinence that made the Fenian Savage American Consul for Cork, deserved retaliation.

Messrs. Cartier and McDougall have formally communicated with the Imperial Government in reference to the rumor that the Island of San Juan is to be handed over to the United States. The entry into the Confederation of British Columbia would make the matter one of importance to us.

For all the purposes for which a linimen s used, the Allevantor is superior to any preparation that the skill of man has yet discovered. As an internal remedy it has never been excelled, owing to its healing balsamic pyoperties in irritations of the mucous membrane of the alimentary canal, air passages and urinary organs, and at the same time exercising a powerful seductive influence upon the nervous centre, thereby subduing pain, allaying morbid excitement and irritability, and imparting a feeling of comfort, ease and tranquility to the whole system. It is conceded to be the greatest pain relieving agent that has ever been offered to the public for the cure of Sprains, Bruises, Pains in the Head, Chest, Side or Back, Pain and Soreness in the bones and Muscles, Rheumatism, Pains and Stiffness in the Joints, Paralysis, Neuralgia, Colic, Cramps, and Pains in the Bowels, Cholera Morbus, Asiatic Cholera, Diarrhœa, Dysentery, and Flux, Tumors, Swelling, Bites and Stings, Corns, Bunions, ingrowing Nails, Sores, Scurvy on the Teeth, Ring Worm, Tetter, Scald Head and Scabby Eruptions of the Skin, Toothache, Quincy Sore Throat, Diptheria, Burns or Scalds, Frost Bites and Chilblains, Sweat Scalded Feet, Gout, Cuts and Wounds, Canker or Sore Mouth, Pleurisy, Coughs, Colds, Inflammations, &c. For sale by E. Harvey & Co., Guelph, and by drugstores generally. C. H. Wright & Co., Hamilton, Ont., general agents for British Possessions.

BRIGGS' MODERN CURATIVE FOR CORNS, BUNIONS, INGROWING NAILS, TENDER FEET, &c.—It is the safest and most efficacious remedy ever discovered for the cure and prevention of ailments of the feet. It is not potash or acid, but a soothing, softening and healing ointment warranted not to injure the most delicate foot, but will soon effect a radical cure of these vexatious torments of the human family. There is no remedy equal to an operation by a skilful chiropodist. When this is not convenient, BRIGGS' MODERN CURATIVE comes as an angel of mercy. Sold by E. Harvey & Co., and druggists generally. C. H. Wright & Co., Hamilton, agents for British Possessions.

Guelph Markets

MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH.
January 27, 1869.

There has been but little doing in our market during the past week, and it may fairly be called inactive. Prices, however, have not shown any sign of decline; indeed, the tendency seemed to be in the opposite direction, particularly in pork and grain. On Tuesday there was a slight improvement in the number of sales. Between four and five thousand bushels of wheat, 300 bushels of barley, and 240 hogs were disposed of. Hay and wood also came in pretty freely, and were disposed of at fair prices. No sale in oats—peas very dull. The absence of sleighing causes a dullness in both buying and selling, and provisions of all kinds are firm and dear.

Flour ℔ 100 lbs	$2 50	@	$2 75
Fall Wheat, ℔ bush	1 04	@	1 15
Spring Wheat ℔ bush	1 00	@	1 02
Oats ℔ bush	52	@	0 53
Peas do	0 80	@	0 83
Barley do	1 15	@	1 25
Hay ℔ ton	8 00	@	12 00
Straw	3 00	@	4 00
Shingles, ℔ squar	1 00	@	1 50
Wood, ℔ cord	3 00	@	3.50
Wool	0 24	@	0 25
Eggs, ℔ dozen	0 20	@	0 22
Butter, (store packed) ℔ lb	0 18	@	0 20
do (dairy packed) ℔ lb	0 20	@	0 21
Geese, each	0 50	@	0 67½
Turkeys each	0 75	@	1 50
Chickens, ℔ pair	0 25	@	0 30
Ducks, do	0 40	@	0 50
Potatoes, er bushel	1 00	@	1 12
Apples, ℔ bag	1 00	@	1 25
Lamb, ℔ lb	0 04	@	0 05
Beef	4 00	@	7 00
Beef, ℔ lb	0 05	@	0 12
Pork, ℔ 100 lbs.	8 00	@	9 75
Sheep Pelts each	0 50	@	1 00
Lambskins	0 50	@	1 00
Hides	5 50	@	6 00

Money Market.

JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE.
Guelph, Jan. 26, 1869

Gold, 135½
Greenbacks bo't at 72 to 72½, sold at 73c to 73½c.
Silver bought at 4 dis.; sold at 3.
Upper Canada Bank Bills bought at 55c. to 00

MONTREAL MARKETS.

Kirkwood, Livingstone & Co's. report by special Telegraph to 'Evening Mercury.'

MONTREAL, January 27, 1869.

Flour—Extra, $5 37 to $5 50; Fancy, $5 10 to $5 10; Welland Canal Superfine, $4 95 to $5 00 Superfine No. 1 Canada wheat, $4 90 to $5 05 Superfine No. 1 Western wheat, $4 90 to $5 10 No. 2 do., $4 50 to $4 50; Bag flour, $2 40 to $2 50 Wheat—Canada Fall, $1 15 to $1 16; Spring, $1 16 to $1 17; Western, $1 10 to $1 11; Oats, per 32 lbs, 45c to 46c Barley, per 48 lbs. $1 20 to $1 30. Butter—dairy 22c to 24c store packed 20c to 24c. Ashes—Pots $5 55 to $5 60, pearls $5 50 to $5 55. Pork—Mess, $27 00 to $27 00; Prime, $7 00 to $7 50. Peas, 90c to 90c.

Galt Markets, Jan. 26.

White Wheat, $1.17 to $1.22—Treadwell, do., $1.08 to $1.12—Amber, do., $1.05 to $1-09—Spring, do. $1.03 to $1.05—Oats, 50c to 53c—Barley, $1.11 to $1.17.—Pork $8 to $9.—Potatoes, 70 to 80c—Wood $3.75 to $4.—Hay, $11.00 to $12.50.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, Jan. 26.

Fall wheat $1 14 to $1 15; spring wheat $1 04 to $1 05; flour, No. 1 super, $4 50, extra $5 25; barley $1 32; peas, 85c to 85c; oats, 52c to 53c.

HAMILTON MARKETS

Hamilton, Jan. 26.

Barley, 1 20 to 1 25; peas, 80c to 85c; oats, 55c to 56c; spring wheat, 1 00 to 1 03; white wheat, 1 12 to 1 12; red winter, 1 08 to 1.09

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OF THE UNITED STATES.

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The rapid advance of the Society to the very front rank among American Life Insurance Companies, the unprecedented amount of its New Business for the year, the large accumulation of its Seven Millions of Dollars, already invested in the most reliable securities, form, collectively, a legitimate subject for unfeigned congratulation by the Managers of the Society to every policy-holder, and an assurance to the public that it has been carefully and successfully managed. The rank of THE EQUITABLE among all American Companies, as to New Business done since its organization, stands as follows: In 1860 it was the ninth; in 1861 the eight; in 1862 and 1863 the seventh; in 1864 and 1865 the sixth; in 1866 the fourth; in 1867 (first full year) the second, by Insurance effected on the most favorable terms

GEO. MURRON, Agent for Guelph.
Guelph, December 4th. d1f

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LAST YEAR'S PROSPEROUS BUSINESS.

Amount insured fiscal year 1867	**$45,647,191.00**
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During its last fiscal year this Company paid to its living members, and to the families of its deceased members, nearly **$2,000,000,** and at the same time added more than FOUR MILLIONS to its accumulated capital. The whole record of this Company has been one of prudent management and prosperous advancement. Among the older and leading Life Insurance Companies its ratio of expenses to income has, through its entire history, been the lowest of any.

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Amounted deposited with Receiver General of Canada, **$140.000.**

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GEORGE ROBINS, Agent for Guelph.

Guelph, 28th December. d

Sale of Cloths and Clothing!

A. THOMSON & CO.

WOULD intimate that as their Mr. Thomson is retiring from business, the whole of their stock must be sold and the business wound up. To facilitate this, they have determined to

Commence a Clearing Sale on Monday 21st Dec.,

When they will offer their immense stock of

Cloths and Clothing,
Shirts, Drawers, Hats, Caps, &c.

AT COST AND UNDER. As this is a rare opportunity of securing first-class Goods at auction prices, they would recommend all to take advantage of the great bargains which shall be given.

☞ There will positively be no credit given during this sale. All indebted to the firm are respectfully requested to call and settle their accounts at once.

A. THOMSON & CO

Guelph 17th December 1868 dw

CARD.

James Massie & Co.,

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

Guelph, 9th Dec., 1868. daw tf

LANGDON.

MY STOCK OF

GROCERIES, TEAS, WINES AND LIQUORS

Is now complete, and I am prepared to sell Goods as low as any House West of Montreal, no matter what their pretensions may be. Give me a call and prove it, my stock,

Very fine Black, Young Hyson and Japan Teas
Coffees, Tobaccos, Sugars
Pickles, Sauces, Lobsters, Sardines
Bottled Ales and Porter.

Wines and Liquors--Best Brands

Martell Brandy, Jules Robin Brandy, Pinet Castillion & Co's Brandy, Seignecte Brandy, Holland and Old Tom Gin, Rum, very fine Old Port Wine. Pale and Brown Sherry, Hay's Scotch Whiskey, Cambachie Scotch Whiskey, Stewart's Scotch Whiskey, Dunville's Irish Whiskey, Windsor Pure Rye and Malt Whiskey, Bourbon Whiskey.

Labrador HERRING, Lake Huron Herring, White Fish, Salt, &c., very low.

Guelph, 5th January dw **J. J. LANGDON.**

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(Successor to John W Murton),

Banking and Exchange OFFICE,

No. 9, JAMES STREET, **HAMILTON.**

BILLS OF EXCHANGE, uncurrent Money and Specie bought and sold at best rates.
5-20 Bonds bought and sold at a slight advance on New York rates.
Agent for the National Steamship Company, weekly Line of Steamers between New York and Liverpool. Also for the Loudon and New York Steamship Company, fortnightly Line between New York and London.
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Guelph, Dec. 1. daw 1y

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WILLIAM BROWNLOW,
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The subscriber intimates that he is prepared to attend

FUNERALS

As usual in Town and Country. Coffins always on hand and made to order on the shortest notice Terms very moderate.

WM. BROWNLOW
Dec. 29, 1868. dawv

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The subscriber in returning thanks for the liberal patronage bestowed on him in former years, begs to announce that he has erected a NEW OPERATING ROOM at considerable expense, introducing all the improvements of the day, as well as

New RUSTIC Accessories.

He is prepared to execute Photographs and Portraits of all kinds

From the Locket to Life Size

Equal, as regards finish and life-like appearance, to any that can be obtained in the Dominion.—Copying of PORTRAITS in all its branches as usual, done in a satisfactory manner.

In Large Photographs with Frames he intend. offering Special Inducements during the coming Holidays.

Parties requiring a large sized Photograph with handsome frame, or any other Portrait of themselves or friends, will find it to their advantage to call and examine specimens and prices.
Rooms; Directly over John A. Wood's Grocery Store, Wyndham-St.

WILLIAM BURGESS.
Guelph December 12. dw

BILLARD HALL
Adjoining Coulson's Hotel,
GUELPH, ONT.

Four New Phelan Standard American tables.

W O'CONNOR, Proprietor.
Guelph, June 24. do 1y

Removal.--Card of Thanks.

WM. HOOVER,

CABMAN and Livery Stable Keeper, begs thank his patrons and the public for their support, and to inform them that he has

Remove dtothe New Stone Stable, in rear of Miller's Hotel,

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Orders may be left at his office in the Stable, a his house, near the Alma Block, or at Miller's Hotel, and will be promptly attended to.

THE CAB STAND

For the winter will be at the corner of Mr. Hogg's Dry Goods Store.
Guelph, Dec. 10th, 1868 d3m

Still on the War Path

THE subscriber begs to inform his old friends and the public that he is still hale and hearty, and as able as ever to attend to all orders that may be left with him at the well known old stand,

ON CORK STREET,

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WM. MITCHELL.
Guelph 2nd Nov dw3m

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OFFICE—Merrick-st, directly opposite the Market, and in rear of the Royal Hotel.
Can be consulted at all hours day and evening, on all Chronic Diseases, Diseases of Women and Children, Midwifery, &c., together with those of a private nature. He has devoted over 30 years to the treatment of the above-named diseases, and the success so far has been without a parallel, as may be seen from the numerous testimonials in his possession.
☞**No Mercury Used**—Patients at a distance can be treated by corresponding with the Doctor, stating the symptoms of the disease, age, length of time afflicted, &c., and receive his celebrated remedies by express, or as otherwise directed, securely packed from observation. A reasonable remittance on all such applications will be required.
Female Pills.—Dr. Davis' celebrated Female Pills for Irregularities Suppression of the Menses, Leucorrhœa or whites, and all female difficulties, have been before the public for many years, and are universally admitted to be best remedy for which they are recommended of any now in use.
The doctor can be consulted at all times with the utmost secrecy, as his office is so arranged that it is impossible to see each other, unless by consent. ☞ No charge for advice when obtained at the office, if by letter, $1.
All letters must be addressed (prepaid) Dr. Davis, M. D., Hamilton, and to contain postage stamp when an answer is required.
Hamilton, 1st July, 1868. dw

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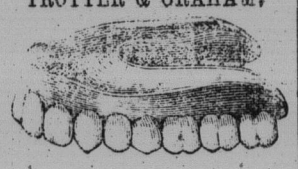

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Are always neutral in small squabbles.

SO IT IS WITH

PREST & HEPBURN

In the leather war now going on between their opponents on the south side of Wyndham-st.

WE do not believe in bosh and bunkum, but deal with facts, and leave the verdict in the hands of the intelligent people of Wellington. We are prepared to prove, and we positively affirm, notwithstanding all the puffing and blowing which has become the order of the day, that PREST & HEPBURN, Wyndham Street, Guelph, manufacture more

BOOTS AND SHOES

And employ double the number of Workmen of any other establishment in the County of Wellington. We invite the public to call and look through our Factory, and they will be convinced that we are telling the truth, and nothing but the truth.

A great deal has been said for and against machine made Boots and Shoes. Now we believe, and we are confident that every well-balanced mind in Wellington will agree with us, that the less machinery used in manufacturing Boots and Shoes the better. All our staple Boots and Shoes are made by hand, which must be admitted is far superior to any machine made Goods. We have now on hand the largest and best assortment of Boots and Shoes ever offered to the people of Wellington which we will sell as cheap as the cheapest.

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Guelph, 2nd November. dw

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American Money and Silver, Drafts on New York and Sterling Exchange Bought and Sold.

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☞ Upper Canada Agency of the Pacific Mail Line Steamship Company to California.
Guelph, Dec. 1. daw 3m

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A COMPLETE assortment of the latest pattern of Shoe Tools, Shoe and Machine Thread Machine Silk, Shoe Pegs, Shoe Nails, Shoe Tacks Heel and Toe Plates, &c., wholesale and retail.

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Toronto, 1st April, 1868.

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AMERICAN Shears, Trimmers, and Points of of all sizes, Squares, Carved Rules, Straightedges, Improved Irons, English and American Crayons, Bartlects' Needles, Tapes, &c. All the best quality, and at lowest prices.

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Toronto, 1st April, 1868. d

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Another LARGE ARRIVAL at 12½ Cents, worth DOUBLE the Money.

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Jackets at Panic Prices Astrachan Jackets, Sealskin Jackets, Whitney,—Black and Coloured. Petersham,—Black and Coloured, and an immense variety of

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PHILIP BISH

Wyndham Street, Guelph, November 2 tw tf

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CANADIAN GOODS

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IN ORDER to make room for Spring Goods HEFFERNAN BROS. are determined to clear out their **Immense Stock** of Canadian Goods

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Another Shipment of Glassware!

CONSISTING IN PART OF

Tumblers, Goblets, Wines
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Preserve Dishes, in great variety
Cruet Bottles, Cruet Frames
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Guelph, 28th December dw

The Sale of Cloths, Clothing,

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Being purchased by and the Clothing manufactured under, the personal superintendence of the subscriber, he can with confidence recommend them to his numerous customers and the public. Another lot of those FINE

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ANOTHER LOT OF THOSE CHEAP SHIRTS AND DRAWERS

For which there has been such a run. Keep up the demand, and I will keep up the supply at as low prices as can be bought at cost or under.

Guelph, December 19th. dw **JAMES CORMACK.**

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Nothstanding the tremendous rush at Christmas, there is still at

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not only the largest and most select, but also the cheapest assortment of general

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suitable for this season of the year to be found west of Toronto. Call and see.

Writing Desks
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At less than Toronto Prices.
Slippers, Ottomans, Wools, Toys and Fancy Goods *ad infinitum* at

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GIRL MISSING.

Left her grandfather's, in the township of Nichol, about three months since, MARY LAMONT, a girl of about 14 years of age. Her friends would be glad to hear of her whereabouts; and any one giving the information would confer a favour on her grandparents. ALEX. FRASER.
Nichol, Jan. 14, 1869. 3tw