

OFFICE.....MACDONNELL STREET  
THURSDAY EVG. MARCH 19, 1868.

### AGAIN POSTPONED.

And so, if we are to credit the latest item of intelligence concerning Reform for Ireland which has been transmitted to us by the cable, the whole question has been laid over till next Parliament. All the debate, all the investigations, into Irish grievances, all the remedies proposed, and all the cures rejected, all the fuss and furor, and declarations of willingness to do what was right, if what was right could only be determinately fixed, have eventuated in a flash in the pan, and no more. So it has been for years, and the present action of the House of Commons is very far from assuring the Irish people or the world, that it shall not be so for a long time to come. Wrongs are acknowledged, but they are unredressed, and between four and five millions of people are left to groan in poverty all of which they have not brought on themselves how thrifless soever many of them may be. To calm the troubles which agitate Ireland is no easy task, to settle the inveterate feud between landlord and tenant, and to reduce Church matters to a footing of equity are works rather difficult of accomplishment, but it is as plain as possible that the relations of many of the landholders with the land owners is wrong, that the relations between the great majority of the people and the Church establishment is wrong, and, to them grievous; and it is also plain that it is the duty of the Government to right a people's wrongs no matter what trouble it may cost to do so. Why should Ireland's demands for justice be evaded, and the less pressing question of English representation, and extension of the franchise be taken up with energy, and fought through, while the Tories yielded the prejudices which had been bequeathed them by their ancestors, and which they had long maintained, being driven from their entrenchments by the popular demand. We do not object to what was done for England; but we say that England's requirements at that time compared with Ireland's then, for years before, and at the present moment were as the imaginary in anything is to the real. If the English House of Commons cannot legislate for Irishmen, if they cannot ameliorate their condition in their own country, why do they not send them to another? They can well afford to pay the passages of a million or two of the disaffected who would be willing to emigrate to some of the colonies where there are no landlords, and no church rates, and give them some something handsome to start upon.

### Latest From Ottawa.

Despatches from Ottawa state the discussion on Mr. Connell's motion for a committee to consider the expenditure of the House showed a bitter tone than has been before exhibited in this Parliament. The Government were fairly alarmed, and made all sorts of promises if the motion were only withdrawn. The public Accounts Committee has done nothing yet. The public expenditures for the past few years have undergone no examination at all for two or three years. There are several matters that this committee ought to sift; but like the Contingencies Committee, the Public Accounts Committee is neglecting its duties. Mr. John Ross's candidature for the vacant seat in the cabinet is not favourably received. There are four Ministers already in the Senate, none of them of heavy calibre; but that number ought to be a sufficient representation of the Government in the Senate. If Sir John keeps up his cabinet to the number of 13, he will have a storm about his ears before long. There is not a decent pretext 13 ministers under the new constitution. Messrs. Howland and Tilly have been absent from the House for some days. The intrigues in the cabinet continue to furnish the chief subject of conversation.

Ten Nova Scotia members are now here, and only three New Brunswick members are absent.

**A NEW CARDINAL**—A number of Cardinals have lately been appointed by the Pope, and among them is Prince Lucian Bonaparte, the grandson of the first Napoleon's brother of the same name. The Prince enjoys the reputation of being an uncompromising champion of the strictest traditions of the Holy See. For many centuries it has been, if not an explicit law, at least the habit not to elect a member of a sovereign house Pope; but public opinion in Europe ascribes to Louis Napoleon the intention of using his influence at one of the future vacancies of the Holy See for the promotion of his cousin to the highest honor in the church.

The lightning on Monday shivered some of the timbers of the bridge that crosses the river on the Dundas Road but no material damage was done.

The following estimate of the daily earnings of the Great Western Railway appears in *Herepath's Journal* of the 29th ult. Although the estimate shows a most favorable state of things for the bond and share holders, yet we believe it is below the mark. We believe that with its third rail, and under its present excellent and judicious management, the road, will in another year or two, even allowing for heavy loss by exchange, pay a dividend of 6 per cent:

Total traffic	£400,000
Add rents, &c.	1,112
Balance from half year	1,681
	£402,792
Working expenses, renewals, &c., 47 1/2 p.c.	£190,000
Loss by conversion, exchange, &c.	75,000
Interest on government loan	17,500
Ditto on bonds	34,600
Proportion Detroit fire claim	4,000
Depreciation fund for steamers, and proportion of worn-out steamer Transit	4,500
Loss on working Erie & Niagara Railway	1,000
Compensation of Woodstock accident, &c.	1,650-838,840
	£74,453
Dividend 4 per cent. free of income tax	70,726
Balance to next account	£3,727

**EMIGRATION.**—The Government emigration officers at Liverpool have completed the emigration returns for the Mersey for the year ending Dec. 31st, and a glance over the figures shows that the Irish element still prevails both as regards the U. States, Canada, South America and Australia. The exodus though not so great as last year, from the Mersey, is accounted for by the fact that several additional steamships now call regularly at Queenstown, and emigrants who formerly embarked at Liverpool go on board at Queenstown, and therefore save expense and escape the discomfort of a channel passage. When compared with former years, says an English paper, it is a remarkable fact that the Irish were far better clothed and provided for than either the English or foreigners. Probably remittances from the new help to cover the wants of those in the old world. There was a falling off of 1,410 in January, as compared with the same month in the previous year, and the emigration in 561 ships was 115,681—a decrease of 7,702 since 1866.

**THE PROSPECT IN THE WEST.**—Gentlemen engaged largely in business in Chicago and other western cities, represent that the west has not been affected by the want, destitution and suffering which have been felt so extensively and so severely in the Atlantic States. They also speak most hopefully of the spring trade. Not for many years has there been so bright a prospect of a very large profitable spring and summer business as at the present moment.

Disraeli's ancestry is the subject of comment in the London journals; and the theme of fashionable gossip in the aristocratic clubs is the probability of his being raised to the peerage. The *Herald* has taken up the cudgels on this side of the Atlantic for the present Premier of England, and contends that his ancestry is higher and older than that of Queen Victoria herself. The *Herald*, in tracing up the ancestral tree, went nearly as far back as those pomatious times when Adam delved and Eve span. The late Daniel O'Connell, long since settled this moot question. In a sharp personal encounter between them in the English House of Commons, the great agitator declared that Benjamin Disraeli was a lineal descendant of the impenitent thief.

**ROCKWOOD LITERARY SOCIETY.**—This Society was re-organized about six weeks ago, and an efficient and energetic staff of officers elected. The objects of the Society are: First, the diffusion of useful knowledge by means of lectures and essays; and second, the maintaining of a reading room in which may be found the best current literature of the day. The first lecture in connection with the society was delivered a short time ago by Mr. McCaig. The subject was "The Rise and Progress of English Literature"; and it was treated in a very able manner by the lecturer. On Tuesday night last Dr. Perkins lectured on "The Follies of Physic" to a large and interested audience. Other lectures have been promised in the course of the next month. A large addition to the number of members is anticipated in a short time. The admission fee is \$1, and each member is required to pay ten cents each month.

The *New York Sun*, poking fun at the grandiloquent descriptions of the reporters, says the gorilla at Barnum's was strangely neglected during the late fire. The *Tribune* reporter, it is said, saw the animal carry the Fat Woman out safely and then run up a column of fire. After standing at the top a few moments in grim defiance, he leaped down the throat of a roaring lion, and caused the animal's death by suffocation.

The *Cornwall Freeholder* understands that an American gentleman has leased from Randall Macdonald (Gerrish) his large and fertile farm, near St. Andrews; and it is the intention of this gentleman to erect upon Mr. Macdonald's farm, a Cheese Factory, and carry on the Dairy business, for which it is admirably adapted.

All the types of the United States on Friday last set a thousand ems each towards raising a monument to the memory of Artemus Ward, who once worked at the 'case.'

**BIRTHS.**  
PALMER—At Guelph, on the 18th inst, the wife of George Palmer, Esq., of a daughter.

**MARRIAGES.**  
CALDWELL—ROUSE—At Guelph, on the 18th inst, by the Rev. John Hogg, Mr. James Caldwell, to Miss Eliza Rouse, both of Guelph.

### Board Wanted.

By a married couple in a private family where no other Boarders are kept. Address C. C. A. Mercury Office, Guelph, March 19th, 1868. 42t

### WANTED

By a young man from the Old Country a situation as present after school hours are salary not so much an object as immediate employment. Has been 10 years in a Wholesale business in England. Address: W. F. Mercury Office, Guelph. Guelph, March 17, 1868. 42t

### Newsboys Wanted.

TO SELL the "Evening Mercury" Boys selling at present after school hours are making on an average \$1.50 per week. Apply at the office. Guelph, March 10th, 1868. 42t

### School Teacher Wanted.

WANTED for School Section No. 1, Township of Erin, a 1st class male teacher, to commence immediately. ALEX. SCOTT, DONALD McKECHNIE, MALCOLM McLACHLAN, Erin, 9th March, 1868. 42w Trustees.

### Grand Complimentary Benefit

Grand Complimentary Benefit to

### MASON'S DRAMATIC CO'Y

BY THE

### Guelph Dramatic Association.

This Thursday Evg, Mar. 19,

When the highly popular play of

### Don Caesar de Bazan

Will be produced, to be followed by the roaring Farce of

### THE HAPPY MAN

In which pieces the leading members of both Companies will appear.

### Grand Army Dance, Mr. H. Lampee.

### The 30 BATTALION BAND

Will be present by kind permission of COLONEL HIGINBOTHAM, and will play some of their favourite airs.

Price of Admission, 25 Cents. Doors open at 7 o'clock. Performance to commence at 8. Guelph, March 19, 1868.

### INDIA AND CHINA

### TEA COMPANY

### A LARGE SUPPLY

### CELEBRATED TEA

### FOR FAMILY USE.

Just received at the

### MEDICAL HALL.

N. HIGINBOTHAM,

Sole Agent for Guelph.

Guelph, 19th March, 1868. 42w

### R. J. JEANNERET,

From England,

(Established in London, Ont., 1842, and in Guelph 1863.)

### WORKING WATCHMAKER

### AND JEWELER,

### DAYS BLOCK,

Opposite the Market, Guelph.

### NOTICE.

HAVING sold my stock at "Bradford House" and book-accounts to Mr. Phillip Bish, all parties indebted to me on book account will pay the amount to Mr. Bish. GEORGE JEFFERY, Guelph, 5th March, 1867. 42w

WITH reference to the above, I have much pleasure in stating that I have purchased the whole stock in trade, also the book accounts, &c., of Mr. Geo. Jeffery. The business will be carried on as formerly in all its branches, trusting for a continuance of that patronage which was so liberally bestowed on my predecessor. For further particulars see future advertisement. P. BISH, Guelph, March 5th, 1868. 42w

### PLATT & CO'S

### OYSTERS

Received daily by Express. Wholesale and Retail.

GEORGE WILKINSON.

Next door to Telegraph and Exp. Office. Guelph, Jan. 7, 1868.

### Wool, Hide and Leather

### DEPOT.

No. 4, Day's Old Block, Gordon Street.

Guelph, July 31, 1866. 42w D. MOLTON

### PARTNERSHIP NOTICE!

THE undersigned have entered into Co-partnership under the firm of BUCHANAN & CO., Hamilton, Ontario, and of PETER BUCHANAN & CO., Glasgow, Scotland.

ISAAC BUCHANAN, ANDREW BINNY, PETER T. BUCHANAN.

Hamilton, Ontario, February, 1868.

### 1868. SPRING IMPORTATIONS. 1868.

THE Subscribers have received and are NOW OPENING a portion of their

### SPRING IMPORTATIONS

### BRITISH AND FOREIGN

### DRY GOODS.

And will have an excellent assortment opened out by the 25th inst., as also of Canadian and American Manufactures.

### BUCHANAN & COMPANY.

Hamilton, 19th March, 1868. 42w

### The Cheapest Spot in Guelph

FOR EVERY DESCRIPTION OF

### CLOTHS, CLOTHING

### HATS AND CAPS,

IS AT THE

### THE GUELPH CLOTH HALL

A. THOMSON & CO.

Guelph, March 17, 1868. 42w

### 1868. SPRING GOODS. 1868.

### A. O. BUCHAM

OPENED on Saturday the following New Spring Goods:

New 36-inch Grey Cottons,

New 32 and 36-inch White Cottons,

New 30-inch Cotton Tickings,

New Lilac, Madder and

White Ground Prints.

Also, a small selection of

### New Spring Dress Goods,

And a few pieces of Superior CANADA TWEEDS, suitable for Spring Wear.

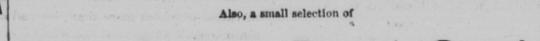
Guelph, March 17, 1868. 42w

### A. O. BUCHAM.

### NEW ARRIVALS

AT THE FRUIT DEPOT.

1868.



1868.

### FINNAN HADDIES,

### YARMOUTH BLOATERS,

### FRESH HADDOCK,

### FRESH COD.

### FRESH OYSTERS.

At a great reduction from regular prices. FOR CASH ONLY.

HUGH WALKER,

Wholesale and Retail Fruit and Oyster dealer, Wyndham-St., Guelph.

Guelph, March 17, 1868. 42w

### Commercial Union Assurance Company,

CHIEF OFFICES—19 AND 20 CORNHILL, LONDON, ENGLAND.

CAPITAL £2,500,000.

### Fire Department.

THE success which has attended the Company's operations has been such as fully to realize the most sanguine expectations of the Directors, who have resolved to extend the business more widely, and now offer to the Canadian Public PERFECT SECURITY guaranteed by large subscribed capital and Invested Funds.

PROMPT SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS. The Directors and General Agents, being gentlemen largely engaged in commerce, will take a liberal and business like view of all questions coming before them.

### Life Department.

Volunteers assured in this Company, are permitted, without extra charge, to do duty on the Frontier, and to engage in repelling marauding attacks.

Eighty per cent of the Profits of the Whole Life and Annuity business are divided among participating Policy Holders.

Claims are paid one month after Proof of Death.

By a recent Act of Parliament a Wife can now hold a Policy on the life of her Husband free from all other claims.

MORLAND, WATSON & Co., General Agents for Canada.

Office—285 and 287 St. Paul St., Montreal.

FREDERICK COLE, Secretary. Inspector of Agencies—T. C. LIVINGSTON, P.L.S., Upper Canada.

MCLAGAN & INNES, Agents for Guelph.

### Good Gracious Me!

Where did you get those delicious OYSTERS?

Why, at BERRY'S to be Sure!

WHOS BERRY? WHY,

### The Confectioner on Wyndham-st

WHERE ALL THE GOOD THINGS ARE KEPT. Guelph, 11th February, 1868. 42w

### ABERNETHY,

SODA, LEMON, WINE, ARROWROOT, CINGER NUTS, CABIN, &c.

### LONDON LAYER RAISINS

Jordan Almonds, Keller's Dundee Marmalade, Finest Turkey Figs in layers, Peaches, Green Gages, Plums, Cherries, Damsons and French Plums.

### AT JOHN A. WOOD'S.

Guelph, March 9th, 1868. 42w

### Not Run Away Yet!

THE Subscriber begs to inform his old friends and the Public, that though several noted characters have lately been constrained to leave Guelph for the sake of their health, he is still hale and hearty, and hangs out his shingle as the old spot.

### CORK STREET,

### DEADY'S HOTEL,

Where he is prepared as formerly to make up CLOTHING of every description at short notice and in a superior style.

### To Farmers!

Having had 30 years experience, and devoting all his time to the business, he can make up

### Home-made CLOTH!

And trim it CHEAPER than can be done at any other Establishment in Town.

All Work carefully finished, and at Moderate Rates.

WM. MITCHELL, Guelph, Feb. 21, 1868. 42w-26w

### REMOVAL.

### STEPHEN BOULT,

Architect and Builder,

Has Removed his Workshop and Planing Factory to QUEBEC STREET, (site of the old Congregational Church,) a short distance east of Wyndham Street.

### Plans, Specifications & Estimates,

Supplied, and work superintended in all the branches.

STEPHEN BOULT having succeeded to the old established Lumber Yard of Thos. McCree, Esq., begs a continuance of public patronage. All kinds of Lumber on hand. Prompt attention given to all orders.

### Planing Done to Order,

AND ALL KINDS OF

Mouldings, Sashes, Doors, Blinds, and Machine Joiners' Work.

Executed with dispatch and kept always on hand. Cash paid for all kinds of Lumber at the yard.

Guelph, March 19th, 1868. 42w

### TAVERN LICENSES

Office of the Clerk of the Peace, Guelph, 7th March, 1868.

COUNTY OF WELLINGTON, HAVING been appointed issuer of Tavern Licenses for the County of Wellington, I beg leave to inform all Tavernkeepers in Townships, Towns and Villages, that I am ready to grant them their Licenses on payment for the same.

By order of the Treasury Department of Ontario THOMAS SAUNDERS.

Distributor for the County of Wellington. Guelph, 7th March, 1868. 42w-4

### Medical Dispensary

JUST RECEIVED

A fresh supply of that best

### COAL OIL.

Perfectly colorless and

### FREE FROM SMELL.

Only 15 cts. per Gallon.

### LAMP GLASSES and WICKS

Always on hand

### E. HARVEY

Chemist and Druggist,

Opposite the English Church, Wyndham-st., Guelph, Ontario.

Guelph, 22nd Feb, 1868. 42w

### NORWOOD;

BY

### HENRY WARD BEECHER.

A LARGE SUPPLY

### At Day's Bookstore,

Opposite the Market, Guelph.

Guelph, March 14, 1868. 42w 1f

### DOMINION HOTEL

### GEORGE BLACK

BEGS to inform his friends and the public that he has opened the above Hotel, in the

BRICK HOUSE, MACDONNELL-ST.

A few doors above Higinbotham's Drug Store and immediately opposite Messrs. Sharpe's See & Store. There is a good stable attached to the house, with good and commodious stabling. Every attention will be paid to customers in order to secure their comfort and convenience.

Guelph, March 6, 1868. 42w 3m