treated accordingly. There is also St. Thomas A'Becket, a most greedy

and might empatically be called the "Saint of Cornwall." Now Sandfield may be a saint for aught we know, although we had an idea that saints were not given to profanity, and-would not, even if Premiers in this mundane sphere, stoop to such low dodges to retain power as the "Saint of Cornwall" has done. Besides, we had thought that saints were noted for liberality, and would not cut down the salaries of these under them to the lowest notch at which body and soul can be comfortably kept together, or show so plainly such petty meanness and smallness of disposition as Sandfield has done. We fear that the material out of which saints are manufactured has saily degenerated, if the member for Cornwall is to be classed as one; though of course every-body has different views on this subject. But if, hereafter, new-made saints are to be made out of politicians of the "highest standing—collars," it is as well to be prepared for the change, and look with resignation upon the creation of rny quantity of such saints:

CRUMBS OF COMPORT.—General Grant lass furnished the politicians who were bursting with anxiety to know what he meant to do another crum, bof comfort. He has informed rerun, bof comfort. He has informed rerunds of confort. He has infor

Grant has furnished the politicians who were bursting with anxiety to know what he meant to do another crumb of comfort. He has informed them, as we are advised, that he intends to appoint Mr. Columbus Delano Commissioner of Internal Reversely of the principal markets for the tends to appoint Mr. Columbus Delano Commissioner of Internal Reversely of the principal markets for the content of the principal

at least one Cabinet Officer.

Excerning Chase.—An itinerant vendor of lamps which were warranted to burn fluid, whale, lard or coal oil, or any ting else, in short a light to enlighten the gentiles, visited the villages to the north of us last week and succeeded in dispate the gentiles, visited the villages to the north of us last week and succeeded in dispate the gentiles, visited the villages to the north of the merchants and business men in that region were taken in by him. On Saturday be visited Rothsay, and after the usual representations, sold a number and departed. On trial the purchasers found they "couldn't see it," or see with it, and at once sane they were sold. Mr. Gubb, of that village, was one of the purchasers but be decided it would never do to "guis it so," and started in pursuit of the man of light. He tracked him to Elora and from thence to Guelph, where he nabbed him at Ellis Hotel. It took but a few words to convince him of the recriety of refunding Mr. Gubb his memory results that the Tavern License from the first own words to convince him of the recriety of refunding Mr. Gubb his memory results that the Tavern License from the first own to the first own to the convince him of the recriety of refunding Mr. Gubb his memory results that the Tavern License from the first own to the first own

Daring Assault and Robbery in DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

Daring Assault and Robbery in Guelph Township.

It is not often that this quiet town and neighborhood are startled by deeds of soilence, of which we occasionally hear in other parts of the country. We have kely MERCURY is MORE THAN DOUBLE that of any paper published in Guelph or west of Toronto, Both editions circulate largely among the merchants and business men in Wellington, Waterloo, Perth, Grey, and Bruce. As an advertising medium for the section of country embraced in these Counties it is nnequalled by any paper published outside of Toronto. Rates for advertising moderate, and discount allowed on advertisements inserted for a lengthneed period.

A New Saint.

From time to time a good many have been added to the list of saints, and we fear that many placed in that category through the over-zeal of their admirers are scarcely worthy of the title, or at all events their characters are very differently estimated by other people belonging even to the same faith. Joan of Arc for instance, though canonized by the French Dauphin and the clergy of that country, was looked upon as a witch and one of Satan's emissaries by the Duke of Bedford and the English bishops, and treated accordingly. There is also St. Thomas A Becket, a most greedy

Volunteer Meeting at Reading.

St. Thomas A'Becket, a most greedy and unprincipled character of his time; and it is even asserted by some that that patron of chivalry and valiant destroyer of the dragon—St. George of England—rose to eminence through his success as a contractor for baeon, and his knack in driving good bargain.

Hitherto Canada has been devoid of real live saints; but Mr. "Big Thunder" Wood—as the lamented McGee was wont to call him—has determined to supply the deficiency, and has accordingly brought to our notice Mr. John Sandfield Macdonald—"one of the most pure-minded, patriotic men, who was wearing out body and mind in the service of his country, and might empatically be called the "Saint of Cornwall." Now Sandfield may be a saint for aught we know, ----

The Provincial Statute, 32 Victoria, called the Tavern and Shop License Act.

THE Subscribers in returning thanks

BOOKS

"HE KNEW HE WAS RIGHT,"

By Anthony Trollope,

ATTHORTON'S

BUILDING WANTED.

Wanted to hire for a term of years in. Grelphor vicinity, a building (or part of one) with steam or water power (latter preferred). Address

C. G. H., Mercury Office

CIRL WANTED.
Wanted by Mrs. Horsman, a respectable girl to take charge of three children.
Guelph, 26th February.

BILLIARDS GREAT EXCITEMENT.

Gaetph, 24th December

OYSTERS.

Go to Mr. WALD'S

OYSTER ROOMS!

you can get your OYSTERS in firster yle, and Mr. B. McCRUDEN will

A TOM AND JERRY.

Or anything nice in his usual style. The best brands of choice

WINES, LIQUORS, AND CICARS!

Gueiph, 25th Feb. 12d BOYS WANTED.

Kinght to Miss Kenty Loys wanted to sell the EVEN Monethy. Apply at this office.

TEW AUCTION ROOMS.

GEO. LESLIE, Auctioneer and Commission Merchant,

No. 3 Day's Block, - - Guelph,

ry attention paid to Sales of Mer chandize, Household Furniture and Farm Stock.

mpt and careful returns made of a epineners: — Jas. Massie, Esq., Guelph rrs. C. & J. Synon, Acton.: Jas. Barciay of Barelay & McLeod. Georgetown.: R. A e, risq., Banl. of B. N. A., London. Dayle tt, Esq., Toronto SALT. SALT

HAMILTON DYE WORKS.

Two doors from the Royal Motel. Estalished 1856.

Selles, Satins, Merinoes, Damasks, Moreen Tat weets, &c., &c., dyed and finished. British a weign Shawks cleaned and pressed. Kid, Glov anod, #Feathers cleaned, dyed and curled.

JAMES CONNER, Hamilt AT Orders left at J. HUNTER'S Berlin Wed of Fancy Goods Store, Wyndham st, will receive or pt attention. For price list and further is made in apply to

I . . cr of Licenses. Guelph, stir Feb dw Agent for Guelph

NEW ARRIVALS

### Oranges and Lemons!

PRUNES, DATES.

## FINNAN HADDIES

ATJ. & D. MARTIN'S

### ${f SCHOOL\ BOOKS\ \&\ STATIONERY}$

SELLING AT COST

A Charming New Novel, AT CLARKE'S MUSIC STORE.

School Books, Blank Books,
Blank Books, Stationery, Albums,
Writing Desks; Work Boxes,
Travelling Bags, &c. &c.,

Suelph, February 17.

The ÆTNA Life Insurance Co., of Hartford, Conn. ASSETS OVER \$10,000,000.

More than fifteen thousand Policies were issued during the year, insuring hearly FORTY-FIVE MILLIONS. It insures from \$500 to \$20,000 on a single life. THE ENTIRE PROFITS DIVIDED AMONG THE POLICY HOLDERS ANNUALLY.

Furnishes Insurance combining all of the advantages offered by other Companies - Unsur Management and Figure 18 Security. New Cash Tables with ANNUAL DIVIDENDS, on the Contribution Plan. Dividends as large and Policies become self-sustaining as soon as any other Company, while the

JOHN GARVIN, General Agent for Western Canada HIGINBOTHAM & HARVEY,

Agents for quaph and vicinity

### AT O'COHNOR'S BILLIARD HALL. Another Bankrupt Stock Just Arrived

AT THE CO-OPERATIVE STORE.

### DRY GOODS

6 inch Grey Sheeting \$0.12} for	mer price \$0.17	Prints	mer pric	e 80.124
33 inch Grey Sheeting 0.10	. 0.12}	Prints 0.121		0.17
72 inch Grey Sheeting . 0.25	. 0.32	Broad Cloth 2.00		3.50
Prints 0.06		Tweeds 9.45	"	0.65

### BOOTS AND SHOES

GRUCERIES

Gampow by Tea, 40c, former price 52½c. Black Tea, 40c, former price 52½c former price 55c. Tolar co, Stove Polish, Lamps, Lamp Burners, Wicks, Chimneys, and all other Goods equally low IN CLOTHING.

## JACKSON &

NO. 7, WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.

WE HAVE ON HAND, as below, which will be sold either WHOLESALE OR RETAIL at it howest Cash Prices;—

FISH

FISH 100 Barrels No. 1 Labrador Herrings, 50 Barrels Round Herrings, 150 half Barrels Lake Herrings 150 half Barrèls Trout, 60 half Barrels White Fish

## 200 barrels Goderich and Onondago Salt.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY BUSHELS DRIED APPLES.

WINDSOR WHISKIES -20 Barrels extra Old Rye. anadian Malt Whiskeys. COAL OIL, 150 BARRELS. WHOLESALE, BY THE BARREL ONLY.

JACKSON'S HALLETT.

ARRIVED RARE CHANCE.

Six Year's Lease and Furniture of a First-class Hotel in the Town of Guelph for sale. To be sold by private sale, a six year's lease and furniture of one of the best Hotels in the lown of Guelph. The subscribert ling about to eave Ganada, wishes to dispose on the above, 2— or further particulars apply to M. DEADY, Deady's Hotel, Guelph, uelph, 8th Feb.

200 Bags Coarse Liverpool SALT, 100 Bags Fine Liverpool SALT. 500 Barrels American SALT,

At JOHN A. WOOD'S. RAWING INSTRUMENTS LOST

a from the subscriber's office, during the weeks, portions of a Set of Drawing In its; supposed to have been given to boys of boys who may have any of them in their ion, by returning them to the subscribe STEPHEN BOULT.

125,000 MARBLES!

10,000 Stone Alleys, 10,000 Glass Alleys,

AT TORONTO

WHOLESALE PRICES,

DAY'S BOOKSTORE,

Guelph, Peb. 26.

MONDAY EVENING, FIRST MARCH

MR. ALFRED BURNETT,

## ${f HUMORISTS}.$

And Delineator of COMIC CHARACTER, as sisted by the following Talented Artistes:

MISS HELEN NASH,

MR. J. W. SHARPLEY.

PROF. THOS. KILNER,

Musical Director.

Mr. BURNETT will appear in his Wonderful Rapid Changes of Dress AND CHARACTER.

ADMISSION TWENTY-FIVE CENTS

Reserved Seats Fifty Cents.

Guelph, 26th February. TOWN HALL, GUELPH

THE GREAT

MINSTRELS AND BRASS BAND.

Positively for One Night Only TUESDAY, MARCH 2.

Admission Twenty-five Cents. Reserved Sents JOE CHENET; Agent. COOL BURGESS, Manager and Proprietor.

GRAND CONCERT.

Complimentary to

MISS JENNIE FRASER A grand Complimentary Concert to Miss Jennie Fraser, under the patronage of the

Lieutenant-Colonel and Officers of the 30th Battalion.

will be given in the Town Hall, Guelph On Thursday Ev'g, 11th March.

Artistes of the highest distinction have kindly offered their services. Tickets Twenty-five Cents.

# Educate, Educate

It is the Panacea for every Social Evil.

SUBSCRIBE to Cuthbert's

Circulating Library, only

\$1 per year in advance.

CUTHBERT'S BOOKSTORE,

WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH

EDUCATIONAL. MRS. WM. BUDD,

Organist of the Congregational Church to inform her Pupals and friends that her of will re-openon MONDAY, 4th JANUARY, She will also be prepared to give Private one on the Organ, Plano and Melodeon-tonice: Norfolk Street, Guelph.

HARTFORD Fire Insurance Company

Of Hartford, Conn. Special Rates for the gs and con-special Rates for the gs and con-terms of one to three years.

E. MORRIS, Agent.