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GUELPH, ONT., CANADA, FRIDAY EVENING, AUGUST 28, 1874.

PRICE TWO CENTS

New Advertisements.

TINSMITH WANTED.—Wanted a Tinsmith.
JOHN HOBBSMAN,
Hardware Merchant,
Guelph, August 28th, 1874.

PORTER AND BOY WANTED.—Wanted, a Porter and Boy.
JOHN HOBBSMAN,
Hardware Merchant,
Guelph, August 28th, 1874.

WANTED.—A stout active boy to deliver parcels. Apply to JOHN RIEK,
Guelph, Aug. 27th. 3rd Day's Block

HOP PICKERS WANTED.
About 30 hop pickers wanted on Monday, Aug. 28th.
Apply to John Verney, Elora Road,
Guelph, Aug. 28, 1874.

STONE SHOP TO RENT.—In the Town of Guelph, well adapted for any kind of manufacturing business. Apply at the Mercury office.

WANTED.—To rent by the Sept. 10th a small cottage or 5 rooms, in the centre of the town. Apply at this office,
Guelph, August 18th, 1874.

WANTED.—A nurse, with good references. Apply to
MRS. WATT,
Near G. W. Station,
Guelph, Aug. 28th, 1874.

EDUCATIONAL CLASSES.
The Misses Rhemmis beg to announce to the families of Guelph and vicinity, that their Educational Establishment will open on Tuesday, Sept. 1, at their residence, Corner of Woolwich and Yarmouth streets, Guelph.

TO LET.—Six large rooms suitable for housekeeping, in a handsome and centrally located house, rent free, on condition of boarding the proprietor.
Apply to Mr. Henry Hatch, Land Agent,
Windsor street, Guelph.

EDUCATIONAL.
The Misses McDonald will resume their classes for Young Ladies, Tuesday August 18th, corner of Norfolk and Suffolk streets. Terms and particulars given on application. Residence Queen St. N. E.—The Misses McDonald are prepared to give private lessons in Double Entry Book-keeping. Aug 13—indwd

FOR SALE.—A very excellent Building Lot fronting on Paisley Street and running through to Oxford street—about half an acre. Apply to B. Easton, book-binder, St. George's square, Guelph.

10 acres of Land wanted, suitable for strawberries, near the town. Apply to the above.
Guelph, July 15, 1874.

DANIELS & BUCHAN,
(Successors to James Barclay.)

Carpenters and Builders,
South of the Drill Shed, Guelph.
Jobbing a specialty. Lumber and Cedar Joisting always on hand.
Guelph, July 27, 1874.

TWO CONTRACTORS.
Tenders will be received by the Trustees of School Section No. 3, Erasmose, up to 4 o'clock, p.m., September 3rd, for the erection of a Teacher's Dwelling House. Plans and Specifications can be seen on and after the 28th August.

DAVID SHULTIS,
Secretary to Trustees,
Erasmose, Aug. 25, 1874.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.—In one of the most eligible localities in the Town of Guelph. A new stone cottage containing 5 rooms and summer kitchen, with out-houses etc. complete. Good pump, well, etc. well fenced. Will be sold at a very reasonable price. Apply to JOHN HOBBSMAN, on premises, or to Hart & Speirs, Guelph, August 20th, 1874.

D. W. H. LOWRY,
Graduate of University of Trinity College. Member of College Physicians and Surgeons, Ontario. Office next door to Mr. Jan. Hazleton, Upper York Street, Guelph, August 28th, 1874.

GUELPH CENTRAL EXHIBITION.
TENDERS FOR BOOTHS.
Tenders will be received up to 29th, for leasing the last 3, 2nd and 3rd Booths on the Exhibition grounds. No intoxicating liquors allowed. No free booths granted.
H. H. SWINFORD, Superintendent,
Guelph, Aug. 26th, 1874.

L. O. G. T.
PEACH FESTIVAL.
A Peach Festival will be held by the Independent Order of Good Templars, in the Drill Shed, on
Tuesday Evening, Sept. 1st.

Lawrence's Silver Cornet Band will be present. There will be an abundant supply of delicacies. Admission 10 cents. Doors open at 7 o'clock. The proceeds will be applied towards the erection of the new hall.
Guelph, Aug. 19, 1874.

GUELPH ACADEMY AND SEMINARY.
Principal: Mr. Edwin Fowler, B.A., of London University.
Boys' Classical School, Ladies' Seminary, Junior Department,
WOOLWICH STREET, GUELPH.
Open Monday, Aug. 25th. For terms and other information, see printed prospectus, or apply to the Principal.

BUSH MEETING.
The British Episcopal Methodists of Guelph, will hold a Bush Meeting in Mr. Gow's Bush, on Sunday, Aug. 30th. Rev. Mr. Smith, of Halifax; Rev. Mr. Jefferson, of Bradford; and Rev. Mr. Brown, of Peel, will preach. Services to commence at 10 o'clock, a.m.
The public are cordially invited.
ROBERT JOHNSON,
Minister in Charge,
Guelph, Aug. 25, 1874.

JOHN McCREA,
Produce Commission Merchant,
and Insurance Agency.
Office—Bank of Commerce Buildings,
Guelph, July 28th, 1874.

THE GUELPH
Hot & Cold Water Baths
FOR GENTLEMEN
ARE NOW OPEN.

THE LADIES' DEPARTMENT
IS IN COURSE OF COMPLETION.
Entrance on Woolwich Street, west of English Church.
JOHN HAZELTON, Proprietor,
Guelph, August 11th, 1874.

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FRIDAY EV'G, AUG. 28, 1874

Town and County News

Remember the Penopticon entertainment in the Town Hall to-night. Admission 25c.

BLACK SILKS.—We call attention to Mr. Stewart's notice of extraordinary cheap and good black silks. Go and see them.

The Directors of the Minto Agricultural Society have changed the date of holding their Fall Show to Wednesday, 30th September.

The London Free Press says a shoemaker from Guelph, named W. J. Evans, was found in the streets of Detroit in a fit on Tuesday.

Tuesday next, 1st September, commences the season during which the shooting of pheasants and deer is allowed.

We are sorry to learn that the wife of Mr. Joseph Witmer, farmer, near Preston, lately showed unmistakable signs of insanity, and had to be taken to the London Asylum.

UP IN A BALLOON.—We understand that Prof. Wise is negotiating with the M. L. B. Club for the use of their grounds, from where he proposes to go up in a balloon on the 16th Sept.

The Preston Mineral Baths Hotel is doing an excellent business this season. Mr. Kress is well liked and tries to make his guests comfortable, and the natural result is that he has all that he can accommodate.

PAINFUL ACCIDENT.—On Saturday last a son of Mr. James Wallace, West Dumfries, was kicked in the face by a Colt in his father's stable, and had his nose completely flattened. Dr. Vardon, of Galt, attended to the injuries of the boy, who is progressing favorably.

The Messrs. Every, of the Drayton Cheese Factory, shipped about the 10th inst. 9,000 lbs. of cheese, and on Monday last they shipped over 9,000 lbs. more, and have yet on hand upwards of the same amount. Their average make at this time in the season has been about 225 lbs. daily.

The St. James' Church congregation, Fergus, will hold their Harvest Home thanksgiving on the 10th Sept. in Mr. Tiffin's grounds, Garafaxa Street. The church will be decorated, and there will be a thanksgiving service. The Rev. Canon Curran, B.A., Rector of Galt, will be the preacher. The Brass Band will be in attendance.

FIRST OYSTERS OF THE SEASON.—Mr. Hugh Walker is first in the field, and has inaugurated the oyster season by the receipt of a lot of splendid Fairhaven, which in quality will be found first-class. We commend his enterprise as a caterer, commencing his oysters, counsel all to go and get a can of the first lot of the season.

HAZELTON'S BATHS are having a good run, although all the arrangements in connection with them are not yet completed. The shower baths, however, are in proper order, and work admirably. During the coming winter these will be closed, but rooms are now being fitted up which will be properly heated and made comfortable for the cold weather.

GUELPH MANUFACTURES ABROAD.—J. B. Armstrong & Co., of this town, have built a very handsome hearse, worth \$800, for Mr. J. C. Frost, of Belleville, to be shipped to him in the early part of the coming week. It is got up in very fine style and for graceful proportions and beautiful appearance surpasses anything we have ever seen. The firm have also orders for several hearses of a similar design, to be sent to Montreal, Windsor, and other points in the Dominion.

NOTHING TO BRAG OF.—The Galt Reporter has the following:—"The people of Guelph are quite proud of their celebration on the occasion of the visit of the Governor General on Saturday last, but we don't know that they have much to crow about. In fact it is quite surprising to think that if it hadn't been for their Lemon-ade they would have had to confine 'Massie' Dufferin to coffee, and we all know how-and that would have been."

BAPTIST S. S. PIC-NIC.—Goldie's grove on Thursday was the scene of a most pleasurable picnic held by the scholars and friends of the Baptist Sabbath School. Between two and three hundred persons—old and young—were present, the latter having been driven to the Grove from the church in conveyances. A game of base ball was organized and resulted in a score which we blush to name—something like 80 to 100 runs having been tallied. At six o'clock the party sat down to an excellent spread, after which wings were brought into requisition and games of different kinds indulged in. Wood's Cornet Band was present and added much to the enjoyment of the afternoon.

GALT SEED FAIR.—Our seed fair on Tuesday last was very largely attended, and a very large quantity was bought and exchanged. Diehl was much inquired for and the supply was short. It's ruling price was \$1.30. Some was also readily disposed of at the same figure. Treadwell was less asked for than in previous years, the dread of the Midge having almost ceased, still by many farmers it is looked upon as a profitable wheat, and on that account, for some time will still be largely sown. The ruling figure at which it changed hands was \$1.25, and the supply was equal to the demand.

Local and Other Items.

John B. Gough will go to England in the spring.

The Americans have won the cricket match at Dublin by 82 runs.

Walkerston pays a tax of 13 cents on the \$ this year.

Teewater is moving in favor of a fire engine.

Dr. Garner, of Lucknow, has a cucumber measuring 27 inches in length.

It is said that some unscrupulous play-wright has adapted the Beecher scandal to the stage.

The Amended Liquor Law, making it entirely prohibitory, has passed both branches of the Rhode Island Legislature.

The Greenock Township Agricultural Show is to be held at Pinkerton on the 1st of October.

The Councils of Wawanosh and Ashfield were granted \$80 to build a line telegraph from Lucknow to Dunganon.

Messrs. Gamble & McBain, of Carthage, have let the contract to Mr. Michael Barlow, of Drayton, for the erection of a grist mill in Palmerston.

Mr. Zinn, Sr., father of Mr. H. Zinn, one of the members of the Carriok Township Council, got his leg fractured near the ankle, on the 18th inst.

The Temperance Societies at the Capital are acting with the Mayor and others of means and influence to secure the establishment of drinking fountains.

The Rev. Father Boyle, Chancellor of the Diocese of Kingston, is dangerously ill. There is hardly any hope of his recovery.

Mr. James Stevenson has instituted an action, with damages for \$10,000, against Mr. Poupard for illegal arrest and false imprisonment.

Mr. and Mrs. Hooker, the brother-in-law and sister of Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, are stopping at the Stephenson House, St. Catharines.

On Tuesday evening a complimentary dinner was tendered to Mr. Mathew Hutchinson, late fourth inspector, on his leaving Montreal for Goderich, by the Montreal Caledonia Curling Club.

As Mr. Jas. Spiers, of Caledon, was ascending a straw stack one day last week by means of a ladder, the ladder slipped, precipitating him to the ground, and seriously injuring him.

On Sunday morning last a little girl named Janet Thompson, a daughter of Peter Thompson, of Brussels, met with a very painful accident by falling over a log, and dislocating the elbow of her right arm.

More than 2,000 immigrants arrived at New York from Liverpool on the 25th inst. The emigration secretary at New York estimates that the immigrants this year will number 135,000, only half of the number of last year and the year before.

The Whittby Chronicle says: "A neighbor on the Lake shore was made the happy father of a baby boy a couple of days ago. The infant weighed exactly one pound and a quarter—clothes and all!"

The inhabitants of Palmerston intend to make application at the next session of the Legislature of Ontario for an Act of Incorporation as a town. Our northern neighbors are an enterprising people, and have a smart little village, and we wish them success.

The barn and stable of Richard C. Mitchell, 7th concession of Wallace, was consumed by fire on the night of Thursday, 20th inst. the fall wheat and hay being in the barn at the time. It is supposed to be the work of an incendiary as there were no fires around.

A man named Walls, while digging a well in Brussels, came nearly being suffocated on Monday last in a well which was dug by the foot of a gas which had accumulated at its base. When taken up, he was insensible, but ultimately recovered.

The Ottawa Free Press states that a lake has been discovered within twelve miles from Ottawa, on the Ontario side, six miles long and from a quarter to a half wide, with numerous bays and coves, and abounding in game of different kinds.

A young man named Welsh, while riding on horseback, near Belgrave, a few days ago, was thrown from his horse, striking on his breast and shoulders, causing severe internal injuries, and little hopes are entertained of his recovery. The horse stumbled and fell breaking a leg in two places, and had to be shot.

Complaints are common in Ottawa of the unsatisfactory nature of the gas supply, which failed suddenly the other night. A few hours after it began to escape, the whole supply 70,000 feet had disappeared. A search was made by the Company's men for the defective pipes, which have not yet been discovered.

One often hears of anonymous gifts of £1,000 national and special charities in Great Britain, and it is often wondered who is the generous patriot. An English paper asserts it is good ground for saying that the donor who "does good by stealth and blushes to find it fame" is no less a personage than Queen Victoria.

If Her Majesty is the author of all these anonymous gifts she must have given away about \$500,000 already in this unostentatious manner. And it is just like her to do it.

A Mr. Thos. Moore, employed in Hagger Brothers' foundry in St. Thomas, has perfected an arrangement which does away with much of the heavy gearing used for the purpose of giving motion to the knife of reaping and mowing machines, and substitutes a ball at once light, cheap and effective, and better, in that it will give or yield to a sudden obstruction, when the metal gearing would snap or break. The knife is worked by a camotion, ingeniously obtained, with little loss from friction, no dead points to overcome—the whole force being spent in straight and parallel lines.

The Boston Transcript says:—"It is stated on good authority that in the part of Minnesota just devastated by grass hoppers a railroad company has commenced an extension simply to supply work for the losers by this calamity. The wages are to be paid weekly. In addition this company has arranged to provide seed for the fall sowing. The act bears the impress of benevolence, and that of a higher style than simple donation, for it gives work."

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE MERCURY

The War in Kentucky.

Relations between Spain and Austria.

The Cause of the Depression.

Beecher's Committee to Report this Evening.

Heavy Libel Suit by Bowen.

London, Aug. 28.—John Henry Foley, the sculptor is dead.

Berlin, Aug. 27.—The Spanish representative in this city has received full credentials as Minister, and has asked for an audience with the Emperor.

The German Government has formally notified the Powers that it will not interfere in the internal affairs of Spain.

New York, Aug. 28.—The morning papers attribute the recent dullness in the stock market to the failure of Son-noborne & Co.; a falling off in the earnings of Erie; and the proposed extension of the Baltimore and Ohio road to Chicago, which is expected to unfavorably affect Erie; and indications that the promised revival of business so confidently predicted, is as distant as ever.

New York, Aug. 27.—The report of the Beecher Committee is expected to-morrow night. It is said they throw out Moulton's last statement entire.

Henry C. Bowen to-day appeared before Judge Reynolds, in Brooklyn, and instituted proceedings for \$100,000 damages against the Brooklyn Eagle for publishing a false report of an interview alleged to have been held by one of its reporters, in which Bowen was represented as in antagonism to Beecher. Bowen also commenced a suit for \$50,000 damages against McDermitt, the reporter who wrote the false interview. He was bailed in \$2,000. In an interview to-day Mr. Bowen says he has been maliciously pursued by Kinzella, of the Eagle, and will push this case to the extent of his whole fortune. He says that when the case comes before the Court there will be a greater exposition of fraud and corruption than has yet come to the ears of the public, and it will introduce some of the features of the Beecher-Tilton matter.

The Evening Telegram says the effect of this suit will be disastrous to Tilton's case, as it believes Kinzella will now divulge secrets in his possession, which he has withheld out of regard to his family. The suit has set the Beecher Committee in a flurry, and several of its members have been in hurried consultation to-day.

Kingsley, who had been reported as offering \$5,000 to Tilton, has returned, and denies the whole story.

Mr. Sherman arrived home in the evening from his visit to Mr. Beecher at the White Mountains, and states that the pastor of Plymouth was in the enjoyment of excellent health.

Louisville, Ky., Aug. 27.—Parties from Owen County report that Russell, Walker and party, started this morning to meet Gen. Murray and the United States troops at Gratz, where they purpose to surrender. William Smoot, the leader of the Smoot party, surrendered to-night.

The Short of a Long Story.

(From the New York World.)

The least said is truly the soonest mended. Decent people who find life too short to wade through the filth of the Brooklyn scandal may like to have the four cardinal points now all in evidence and fatally correlated by the dates:

Tilton to Moulton—Dec., 1870. Six months ago I learned from my wife that H. W. Beecher had dishonored my home. I can bear it no longer. Bring him to me that I may mention it to him.

Moulton to Beecher—Jan. 1871. Tilton thinks you have ruined his business. Prove yourself his friend and it will be all right. You can stand on the truth.

Beecher to Moulton—May 1873. Pay F. D. Moulton for the benefit of Theodore Tilton five thousand dollars.

H. W. BEECHER.

Tilton to Beecher—June, 1873. To H. W. B., grace, mercy and peace.

T. T.

The Governor-General's Movements.

Aug. 27.

Leaving Major Walker's residence this morning at ten o'clock, the party, escorted by cavalry, were driven through the city and to the new park, where the London Field Battery fired a salute of seven guns. A guard of honour and the Battalion band were also present, and an immense crowd of people. At a raised platform His Excellency was presented with an address asking him to give the park a name, and in his reply he named it "The Victoria." At the City Hall a luncheon was served and about five hundred persons sat down. In response to the toast of health to the Queen and Governor-General, Lord Dufferin made a lengthy reply. Luncheon over, the party drove to the station and took the train for St. Thomas, where a guard of honour, a detachment of cavalry, the fire brigade, and two bands, as well as a large crowd of persons, were in waiting at the station. On landing, the Governor was presented with addresses on behalf of the town and county. A procession was then formed and passed through the principal streets, ending at the Central School, where the children sang "God Save the Queen," and driving under the Canada Southern Railway bridge, which is 90 feet high and half a mile long. At the Canada Southern station a reception was held and a luncheon served.

Shortly after five o'clock Simcoe was reached, and here, as in most of the other places visited, a guard of honor and band awaited the arrival of the visitors. Here also the Governor was presented with an address, to which he replied in appropriate terms.

PROF. GEORGE BAKER has been appointed organist of Trinity Church, Galt.

The Beverly Township Show will be held at Reckton, on Friday, October 16th.

While in Detroit, Lord Dufferin made a contribution of \$25 to the "Greeley Statue Fund."

Ontario Rifle Association.

The sixth annual meeting of this Association will be opened in Toronto on Tuesday, 1st prox., at noon, by His Excellency the Governor-General. A new feature will be the introduction of the new Wimbledon Targets in the competition for the Ontario representatives on the Canadian Team of 1875. A new match has also been added to the usual list, called the

DISTRICT MATCH, and will be competed for by fifteen men from each military district in Ontario, the prize being a very handsome solid silver challenge cup, valued at \$200, presented by Lieut-Col. Gzowski, with the sum of \$100, added by the same gentleman, the cup going to the Vice-president of the winning district, to be held by him for a year, the money being divided among those comprising the team.

It has been arranged that a number of the crack shots from Guelph and neighborhood will attend, and the following is a list of the names already entered:—

ASSOCIATION MATCH.—Lieut. Hooper, Messrs. Young of Elora, Patterson, Bishop, and Joseph Crowe. From the Wellington Field Battery:—Capt. Macdonald, Asst.-Sgn. Macdonald, Gunners Crowe, Barber and Macdonald.

COMPANY MATCH.
The foregoing names from the Battery are entered for this match.

THE TAIT CUP.
For this contest, the same names are entered, with one other member of the Battery not yet picked.

On the 16th September and following days a tournament will take place in Ottawa under the auspices of the Dominion Rifle Association, when valuable prizes will be competed for. Should our crack shots be fortunate enough to make good scores in Toronto, they may enter into some of the contests in Ottawa.

Horror of Famine.

YERREBIL STATE OF THINGS IN CESAREA.

A series of interesting letters on the horrors of the famine have appeared in the Levant Herald. They are from Rev. W. A. Faraway, attached to the American mission at Casarea. He takes a very gloomy view of the future. I make several extracts:

There is really a great deal of suffering from the lack of necessary food in Casarea and the large towns near that city. The same is true of Evrek and of Nigde, but when we compare these places with the other regions above named we feel that, as yet, they have hardly been touched by the famine. In all the villages very many, probably much more than one-half the population, are destitute of bread, and for many weeks have lived almost entirely on such wild herbs as they could gather in the fields and along the road sides. From the Ak Dagh and the Bozock regions very many have fled to Sivaz regions to the east, and there beg their miserable living from door to door, while large numbers of people from the Keskin and the Kir Shehir regions have in the same way thrown themselves upon Casarea and the surrounding towns, and the people from the vicinity of Nigde have gone in crowds in the regions of Tarsus and Adana to secure a more honorable living by gleaming the very rich grain fields of Cilicia. Thus this whole district is in a great measure depopulated. What a terrible scene! It has become a great burden in the regions to which they have fled, their own houses and vineyards and fields go to ruin. Sad indeed is the destruction of houses. Built of mud, with earth roofs, they have a little timber that may be used for fuel. In many cases, the owners, driven to the last extremity, tore down their houses before leaving them, and used the timbers for fuel, or sold them to procure bread. Many others left their homes uninjured; but no sooner is a house deserted than the neighbors dig into the roofs for the plunder. Multitudes of these people, were they used to restore their villages, would find their homes uninhabitable.

Soongorloo is a town of about 1,000 houses, and the residence of a *caimacan*. The scenes here the past winter have almost, if not altogether, equalled the worst of the Persian famine. The Governor told me that the statistics which they had gathered showed some 5,000 deaths from starvation in that kaza. Were those included who have come in from other districts, Salman, Keekin, &c., and have died there, it would greatly swell, perhaps double, the list. In many cases hunger seems to have destroyed all the finer feelings of humanity. As it was assumed by many of the inhabitants, bodies have been allowed to remain as many as four days in the streets, and the dogs have partially devoured them. While this seems too bad to be true I can yet hardly doubt it, for while I sat conversing with the Governor I heard orders being given by many of the bodies that had been lying at the edge of the town two days already awaiting interment.

The Grand Trunk.

A correspondent in the English Railway News, of August 1st, in a letter on the Grand Trunk Railway, states that "the increase in traffic in the past half year was over \$125,000—being greater than any other line in the world, and pointing to a more prosperous period in the history of this undertaking than it has ever before known. This result has been obtained during a period of unparalleled adversity, the dire effects of which are well known by the fact that almost if not all the other railroads in Canada and America have, and are still showing, very large and serious decreases both in gross and net revenue." The Great Western of Canada "has a gross decrease during the last 25 weeks of \$46,000, with an increased mileage of 512, against only 358 last year; the Grand Trunk has made its remarkable increase, with an addition of three miles only." During the last three weeks the Great Western "shows an average decrease of \$5,000 a week, whilst the Grand Trunk showed an average increase of over \$3,000—the traffic figures being for the Grand Trunk: Week ending July 4th, \$41,700, against \$36,800 last year; week ending July 11th, \$39,800, against \$37,700 last year; week ending July 18th, \$38,500, against \$36,900 last year.

POLICE COURT.

(Before the Police Magistrate.)

Alex. McGinnis was charged with assaulting Wm. Weyman on the 25th. Fined \$1 and costs.

Thos. Norris was charged by Alex. McGinnis with assault on the same day. It seems to have been a general row all round. He was also fined \$1 and costs.

Wm. Weyman was charged by G. C. Kelly with disorderly conduct in Thorp's Hotel on the same day. Case dismissed.

WARREN'S LAST EVENING.

We advertise to-day the coming of this Troupe—one of the largest and best which has travelled Canada this season. The Drill Shed has been secured and will be seated comfortably. In Montreal, Ottawa, and Kingston the Troupe is highly spoken of. The *Whig* speaking of the Troupe's appearance in Kingston says:—"The promises of a first-class performance did not fall short. The performance is a variety one of a popular kind, just sufficiently varied to meet it agreeably throughout. Several members of the troupe are quite talented, the gymnastic performances (comparisons are not always odious) being far better than Barnum's show presented here, and it claimed superiority. The double somersault of Burton was a feat rarely accomplished, and the Sanyshals' double trapeze act was worth going many times further than the City Hall and devoting an evening to see. The horizontal bar and jumping performances of the whole troupe of gymnasts were above the average of such accomplishments. Cotton and Birdie were very entertaining in the songs and dances, and the St. Felix children in their impressions pleased at each appearance. Washburn's is a success, and to-night again is promised a proof of this."

A HINT FOR POULTRY EXHIBITORS.

English poultry fancier at the late Crystal Palace show, exhibited specimens which were of remarkable feather and brilliancy of color. The cause of his conspicuous success was simply feeding cayenne pepper, and causing his birds to moult in warm cages. The plan is accepted as a legal and proper one, for the reason that if, by ingenuity or accident, any means of improving the appearance and character of the birds by the use of food which acts upon the natural growth or secretions are discovered, the use is already allowed by existing rules, and does not come under the category of tricks, by which is meant the employment of outward applications or devices to change the natural appearance for a disguised and fictitious one.

ACCIDENT.

On Saturday evening, 22nd inst., a brakeman on the W. G. and B. Railway, met with an accident at the crossing of the T. G. and B. Railway at Harrison. It appears that he was going from one car to another and missed his footing and fell between the cars. In the descent, he caught hold of the break and thus saved his life, as there is no doubt that the whole train would have passed over him. As it was, he was pretty badly bruised by dragging along the ground.

ORDER 1st SEPTEMBER NEXT, Money Orders payable in the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Manitoba, and British Columbia, for any sum under and up to four dollars, may be issued in all the Provinces named at the rate of two cents for each order.

ELLOWS PICNIC.

The members of Oakley, Kilbride, Stracetville, Milton, Galt, and Brantford lodges of the Independent Order of Oddfellows and their friends had their first annual picnic in the grove of Mayor Haggart, of Brantford, on Wednesday. It was a complete success.

FIRE.

Mr. Angus McPherson, 4th con. Caledon, had his house and barn totally destroyed by fire on Monday last week.

Moorefield Correspondence.

The farmers in this section have almost got through harvesting. The greater part of the grain is safely garnered, and in the few instances where they have threshed the yield has been fully up to the average of former years.

There has been a great deal of flax sown