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 Out Sale from Now till
 Jan. 1, 1892, at Your Own
 Prices. Everything must go. My
 stock is very complete and sure to
 please you. Come Early and get
 your choice of a big stock.
 J. H. GUNTHER, Listowel.

The Bee.

DON'T delay in waiting to
 buy, I have a grand line
 of Plush Goods just in
 from Germany, Albums, Fancy
 Mirrors, Work-boxes, Clock boxes,
 grand line of Watches, Gloves and
 Jewelry, and Silverware CHEAP.
 J. H. GUNTHER, Listowel.

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ATWOOD, ONT., FRIDAY, DEC. 18, 1891.

NO. 47.

Business Cards.

INSURANCE.
W. D. MITCHELL,
 Atwood, Agent of CONFEDERATION
 LIFE ASSOCIATION of Toronto. Guar-
 antee capital and assets, \$4,211,643.00.
 Business in force, \$19,311,780.00.

MEDICAL.
L. E. RICE, M. D., C. M.
 Trinity University, Toronto; Fellow
 by examination of Trinity Medical Col-
 lege, Toronto; member of the College of
 Physicians and Surgeons, Ontario; mem-
 ber of the College of Physicians and
 Surgeons, Michigan; special attention
 given to the Diseases of Women and
 Children. Office and residence, next
 door to Mader's store, Atwood. Office
 hours: 10 to 12 a.m.; 1 to 2:30 p.m., and
 very evening to 8:30.

DENTAL.
J. J. FOSTER, L. D. S.,
 Is using an improved Electric Vib-
 rator, Vitalized Air, or Gas, for the
 painless extracting of teeth. Satisfac-
 tion guaranteed. Office—In block south
 side of Main street bridge, Listowel.

W. M. BRUCE, L. D. S., DENTIST.
 Gas, electricity, or local anaesthetics,
 administered for painless extraction.
 Artificial teeth guaranteed to be of the
 best material and of first-class work-
 manship. Office over Thompson Bros.
 store, Main street, Listowel. At
 Jøerger's hotel, Atwood, every Monday.

AUCTIONEERS.
C. H. MERYFIELD,
 Licensed auctioneer for the County of
 Perth, Moncton, Ont. Rates moderate.
 For particulars apply at this office.

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 Licensed Auctioneer for Perth County
 All sales attended to promptly and at
 moderate rates. Information with re-
 gard to dates may be had by applying at
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 Licensed Auctioneer for the County of
 Perth. Rates moderate. Office—Over
 Lillico's bank, Listowel. All orders
 sent at this office will be attended
 to promptly.

Money to Loan.
 At Lowest Rates of Interest.

THE RANKIN Concert Co.

Will give one of their renowned Scotch
 Concerts, under the auspices of the
 Atwood Lodge of the Independent Or-
 der of Foresters, on

XMAS NIGHT

In the Town Hall, Atwood.

Tickets, 25c. & 35c.

Plan of Hall may be seen at J.
 L. Mader's store.

HURRAH FOR

XMAS

Xmas Goods Coming

We have purchased a large and select
 stock of Christmas Holiday Goods for
 young and old, which will arrive in a
 few days.

Groceries,
 Confectionery,
 Stationery, &c.

We have in stock new and fresh Gro-
 ceries, Confectionery of all kind, Canned
 Fruits, Vegetables, Salmon, Lobsters,
 etc. Also a nice assortment of Station-
 ery. Call and see goods before making
 your purchases.

Terms Cash.

MRS. ZERAN.

J. S. Hamilton's old stand.

Donegal.

Charles Petrie is home again from
 Michigan.

Miss Agnes Bails, of Ahiston, is vis-
 iting her parents.

Francis Curtis' sale owing to bad
 weather has been postponed until Wed-
 nesday, the 23rd inst.

The last of the season's make of
 cheese was shipped from the factory
 on Tuesday. Messrs. McAllister and
 McKenzie are to be congratulated on
 the past season's work.

The social and entertainment which
 was to have been held here this week
 has been postponed until Monday, 21st
 inst., at 7 o'clock. Besides refreshments,
 music will be furnished from Atwood,
 recitations, also addresses by Revs.
 Henderson, Smith and the pastor.

Following is the school report for
 the month of November. Names in
 order of merit:—5th class—Mary E. Mc-
 Court, R. G. Irvine, Duncan McKenzie,
 Senior 4th class—Thomas McFarlane,
 Alex. Foulston, John Foulston, Jun-
 ior 4th—Emerson Vipond, John Math-
 erson, John McKenzie. Senior 3rd class
 —Willie E. Buchanan, John Cooper,
 Jessie Hammond. Junior Third class
 —Sam McNichol, Maud Wilson, Addie
 Buchanan. 2nd class—Maud McCourt,
 Edith McCourt, Neil Matheson. Part
 II, Senior 1st—Mary Hemphill, John
 Buchanan, Effie Buchanan. Interme-
 diate class—Maggie McKenzie, Albert
 Hobson, Joe Burke. Part II, Junior
 1st—Lily Smith, Arthur McNichol,
 Charley Buchanan. Part I, Senior 1st
 —Annie Hemphill, Maud McClelland,
 Herbert McClelland. Part I, Junior 1st
 —John Johnston, Mabel McNichol,
 Willie Anderson.

Huron County Notes.
 A boy named Watson was drowned
 in Wingham this week.

A lodge of the Knights of Pythias
 has been organized in Wingham.

Rev. Mr. Hincks, of Stratford, has
 been invited to accept the pastorate of
 Main street church, Mitchell. Seaforth,
 it is said, also has an eye upon him.

Gorrie is to be well supplied with
 tailors this winter, one coming from
 Ethel, and another from Blyth. Three
 tailor shops and two newspapers in
 Gorrie!

In the matter of the West Huron pro-
 test M. C. Cameron has decided to re-
 sign his seat without the process of a
 trial, and will contest it again at the
 ensuing election. His majority at the
 last election was 379.

Last week a couple of very estimable
 young ladies of Clinton started on a
 long journey, all for the sake of the
 men they have pledged their love to.
 The ladies are Misses Susie and Maggie
 Bridon, and they go to California,
 where one is to be married to Joseph
 Pickett, late of Clinton, and the other to
 Mr. Jamison.

A meeting of the West Huron Farm-
 ers' Institute will be held at Clinton on
 January 22nd and 23rd, when there will
 be present John I. Hobson, chairman of
 the board of the Ontario Agricultural
 College; W. J. P. Imer, B. S. A., and A.
 McD Allan, who will deliver addresses
 on various subjects of interest to those
 engaged in the pursuit of agriculture.

Every child knows that the Santa
 Claus of the pictures is a short, stout
 beard and a face that is beaming full
 of fun. A man who has all these fea-
 tures to perfection, and who looks for
 all the world like the typical Santa, is
 David Fisher, the well-known horse-
 man of Goderich.—Clinton New Era.

The annual meeting of the members
 of the Dominion Horse Breeders' As-
 sociation was held in Clinton on Wed-
 nesday of last week. The President,
 John McMillan, M. P., presided. A
 resolution was adopted authorizing the
 Secretary to open a register for animals
 that are for sale. Members of the As-
 sociation having animals they desire to
 sell, such animals, of course, being re-
 gistered in the books of the Associa-
 tion, can send the name and number of
 the animal, together with the price and
 any other particulars deemed necessary,
 to the Secretary. A register of such an-
 imals will be kept by the Secretary, who
 will be prepared to furnish a list of
 them when required to do so. In this
 way buyers will be saved a great deal
 of time and expense, as they can apply
 to the Secretary for this list, and will
 then be in a position to go direct to the
 place where animals such as they re-
 quire are for sale, instead of as now,
 having to scour the country from Dan
 to Beersheba in quest of what they
 want. A notice of motion was also
 given to reduce the annual membership
 fee from \$1 to 50c. This motion will
 come up for discussion at the next
 annual meeting which will be held on the
 third Wednesday in December, 1892.
 The Association has a membership of
 about 270. All the former officers and
 councillors were re-elected and are as
 follows: John McMillan, M. P., Presi-
 dent; V. McIntosh, V. S., Brucefield,
 Vice President; James Mitchell, God-
 rich, Secretary; John Aikenhead, God-
 rich, Treasurer; Thos. McMillan, Hul-
 lett, and Samuel Smillie, Tuckersmith,
 Auditors. Council—D. Fisher, God-
 rich; John McDermid, Lucknow; James
 Henderson, Rolton; J. J. Fisher, Ben-
 miller; Thos. Green, Dublin; C. E. Mas-
 on, Brucefield; John Busch, Sebring-
 ville; J. H. McRoberts, Lucan; Alex.
 Innes, Stanley; P. Curtin, Centralia; J.
 S. Blackall, Clinton; P. McGregor,
 Brucefield; Wm. Sinclair, Chishurst, work.

THE ATWOOD MARKET.

\$22,925 PAID OUT TO THE FARMERS FOR
 GRAIN SINCE SEPT. 1ST.

PEOPLE, generally, are not cog-
 nisant of the incalculable value
 a good market is to a commu-
 nity, such as this. The fact re-
 mains, nevertheless, true. The
 prosperity of the people of an agricul-
 tural district is directly effected by the
 local market. Atwood, in this respect,
 is highly favored; we have one of the
 very best markets in the county of
 Perth, where a shrewd, trust-worthy
 buyer pays the top price for the far-
 mer's produce and sends him home
 with the cash in his pocket. Farmers from
 below Moncton, and within a mile or
 two of Brussels and Listowel, bring
 their grain and pork to the Atwood
 market. The following figures furn-
 ish THE BEE by the local buyer, Robert
 Anderson, give a more accurate know-
 ledge of the produce handled:—

From Sept. 1st, 1891, to Dec. 12th, 1891,
 inclusive, 51,920 bushels of grain were
 unloaded at the Atwood elevator, for
 which was paid \$22,925. The bulk of
 this sum was paid to the farmers of
 Elma township.

By way of an average, we find these
 figures for the week ending Dec. 12th:

BUSHELS.	PAID OUT.
Wheat	1034.40
Peas	\$ 943.60
Oats	869.20
Barley	2115.70
34 Hogs	174.00
4 Hides	6154 lbs. 308.65
2 Sheepskins	184 lbs. 7.25
	1.55
	\$4292.00

OBSERVATIONS.

The market for wheat may rise to
 \$1 per bushel on the Atwood market
 before sowing time again, but in view
 of the enormous yield in the Canadian
 Northwest, Dakota and India, this
 year, the future prospects are not very
 favorable, in fact it is extremely doubtful
 if the prices will ever be as good in
 Ontario as they were previous to the
 opening up of our great Northwest.
 Let your wheat go at present prices.

Barley is dull at present; chances for
 better prices are not much in its favor.
 Sell at market prices if you cannot feed
 it to better advantage.

Oats are rising steadily on the home
 and foreign markets. This is due to
 the large quantities being shipped to
 the famine-stricken districts of Russia.
 There is an increasing demand for
 coarse cereals. If you can afford to
 hold your oats, say until February or
 March, do so.

Hay is on the rise. In Toronto \$12
 and \$12.50 is being paid. As THE BEE
 predicted last spring, from \$11 to \$12
 per ton will be paid before spring.
 Hold your hay until March; it will go
 up in price, especially when there is
 such an increasing demand for oats.
 Don't sell now.

At present prices there is no money
 in pork, nor is it safe to calculate on
 future quotations. Coarse grains are
 high, especially oats and peas, hence
 it does not pay to raise pork for the
 market. R. Parker, of Elma, feeds cut
 clover, mixed with other ingredients, to
 his hogs with excellent results. Mr.
 Parker is one of the most successful
 hog raisers in this county. His secret
 of feeding hogs is highly approved of
 by the authorities at the Ontario Agri-
 cultural College.

The market for horses is quiet. Too
 many farmers are going into horse
 breeding. The supply is greater than
 the demand.

Cattle and sheep are not in great de-
 mand on the Toronto market just now.
 The market is steady and will likely
 remain so.

Additional Local Items.

COAL oil for sale at Loree's.
 FRESH oysters kept constantly on
 hand at Mrs. Zeran's grocery.

SPECIAL attention paid to orders sent
 with children at Loree's grocery.

DON'T forget the Rankin family con-
 cert in the Town Hall, Atwood, on
 Christmas night.

1,040 LBS. of candy has arrived at
 Hamilton's grocery for the Christmas
 trade. Call and get your supplies.

WM. ZERAN is still lying at the point
 of death. The old gentleman is nearly
 94 years of age, and of course the
 wheels of life are worn away, soon to
 stop forever.

THE Methodist choir drove to Jubilee,
 12th con. of Elma, Monday night, and
 furnished the music for the tea meeting
 held there. The choir have quite a re-
 putation abroad.

NEW TIME TABLE.—The new Grand
 Trunk Railway time table came into
 effect on Monday, Dec. 7th. The changes
 so far as Atwood is affected are as
 follows: Trains for Kincairdine leave
 Atwood at 8:10 a.m., and 2:43 and 9:14
 p.m. For Palmerston, 7:21 a.m., and
 12:30 and 10 p.m.

THE Stratford Herald says:—Rev.
 David Rogers, of Atwood, delivered
 two crisp and earnest sermons in the
 Central Methodist church last Sunday.
 In the evening he touched on the sub-
 jects of Sabbath desecration, dancing
 and intemperance, condemning all
 said, was contrary to the Methodist dis-
 cipline and taken altogether was a "bar-
 barian pastime." Mr. Rogers is popu-
 lar in Atwood, where he is doing good
 work.

For the Party Press.

The attention of our good friends, the
 party organs, is respectfully called to
 the following patent double-action, re-
 versible, ball-jointed editorials on scan-
 dalous, which we trust they can see their
 way clear to quote. If the Conserva-
 tive papers will observe the simple rule
 of striking out the bracketed names
 while the Liberals will, with a similar
 care, delete the others, this leader may
 then be utilized by any hard worked
 journalist who needs time to run up to
 the Capital, Dominion or provincial, to
 see about the Government printing.

THE EDITORIAL.

The shocking disclosures of political
 corruption at Quebec (Ottawa) must fill
 every patriotic Canadian with disgust
 and indignation. Nothing short of the
 expulsion of the thieving trustees from
 public office and public life can assuage
 the wrath of an outraged people. Nor
 can the principals throw all blame upon
 subordinates and thus escape "scott
 free." It is all very well to load Ernest
 Picaud (Thomas McGreevy) with male-
 dictions, but no one will believe that he
 took large sums from public contract-
 urement and spent them to keep the Gov-
 ernment in power without guilty know-
 ledge and acquiescence on the part of
 Mercier (Langevin), Mercier (Lange-
 vin) and Picaud (McGreevy) have long
 been hand to glove. They have hunted
 in couples, and to suppose for an in-
 stant that the Count (Sir Hector) did
 not know where the ammunition came
 from is absurd. Nor can the Grit (Tory)
 party condemn its Mercier's (Lange-
 vin's)—and so on to the usual dirge
 conclusion, which our friends, no doubt,
 stereotyped, in which the organ urges
 that Mercier Langelier (Langevin and
 Abbott) be branded with infamy; and
 that the party of Langevin and Abbott
 (Mercier and Langelier) be granted an
 opportunity to purify the political at-
 mosphere.

We guarantee this editorial; and, as
 evidence of our good faith, we offer to
 refund any money paid us for the same
 by any of you, if it does not prove sat-
 isfactory to the most hard shelled part-
 izan who subscribes just to keep the pa-
 per going—and then omits the formality
 of payment.

Perth County Notes.

The Stratford Mechanics' Institute
 has now 200 members.

There are already \$2,200 worth of
 shares sold for the erection of a flax
 mill in Sebringville.

The friends of temperance have de-
 cided to submit the Local Option law
 to a vote of the people of Mitchell.

Dr. Willmot, who has been practising
 a short time in Toronto, has decided to
 locate in Mitchell. The town has now
 four doctors.

The Model school examinations be-
 gan in Stratford and Mitchell Dec. 7th.
 There are thirty-seven candidates writ-
 ing at Stratford.

Jacob Wolfe, a son of Philip Wolfe,
 was married last week to Lydia Smith,
 a daughter of B. Smith, of Gadshill.
 The ceremony was performed by Rev.
 J. Sanders, the Lutheran minister.

The Blanshard Council have decided
 to seek re-election for their present pos-
 itions.—W. Hutchings, reeve; D. A.
 Johnson, deputy reeve, and Messrs.
 Berry, St. John and Sinclair, council-
 lors.

A crowd of about two hundred and
 fifty persons assembled at the residence
 of Mr. Grieve, a vinton, to witness the
 marriage of his daughter, Maggie, to
 Robt. Clarke, of Carlingford. The Rev.
 Mr. Drummond tied the knot.

A. F. McLaren, Stratford shipped
 the other day 534 boxes of cheese, the
 balance of the make of the Kirkton
 cheese factory, and 573 boxes, the last
 from John Dempsey's factory, Downie.
 The cheese was valued at \$7,700.

Knox church, St. Marys, which some
 time ago was visited by fire, was re-
 opened Dec. 6th and elegantly fixed up.
 Rev. Principal Grant preached at the
 morning and evening services, and Rev.
 Mr. Cosgrove officiated in the after-
 noon.

Stratford is about to lose one of its
 ablest young preachers in the person of
 Rev. J. P. Gerrie, of the Congregational
 church. Mr. Gerrie has received an in-
 vitation to the pastorate of the East
 Toronto Congregational church, which
 he has accepted.

The students in training at the Mit-
 chell Model school to show their appre-
 ciation of the efforts of St. Nethercott
 the principal, presented him with an
 address and a handsome gold chain, to-
 gether with a lady's dressing case for
 his wife, as tokens of esteem.

Three doctors recently performed a
 very delicate operation on Mrs. Aug.
 Walter, of South Easthope, by remov-
 ing from her body a tumor of over 150
 pounds in weight. She has been doing
 well since and the doctors consider her
 now pretty well out of danger, says an
 exchange.

The annual meeting of the patrons of
 the Kirkton creamery was held on the
 25th ult. The Secretary's book showed
 that there had been collected over 45,
 000 inches of cream from which were
 manufactured over 45,000 pounds of
 butter. The butter was sold on an av-
 erage for 20½c. per pound, netting to
 the patrons 16 13-20 cents per pound,
 and there was distributed among the
 patrons for the season over \$7,000.

Successful Milking Machine.

ONE of the latest labor saving in-
 ventions, says an agricultural
 authority, is a machine for milk-
 ing cows, which has been in op-
 eration for some time past on
 the English estate of the Duke of
 Portland, and has proved a great suc-
 cess. An ordinary iron pump, one inch
 in diameter, is carried round the cow
 house, at a convenient height above the
 shoulders of the cows. It communi-
 cates with a hand pump, whereby the
 air is drawn from the pipe, a circular
 tank connected with a shallow well of
 water serving as a regulator of the
 vacuum. From the iron pipe project
 connections, one opposite the space be-
 tween every pair of animals, each con-
 nection being furnished with a stop
 cock.

To any one of these connections is
 fitted a length of India rubber tubing,
 the other end being attached to a nozzle
 near the top of the milk pail, which is
 cylindrical in construction. The pail is
 cylindrical in form, with a truncated
 conical top. Its opening, which is four
 inches wide, is closed by means of a
 thick glass disk, which rests inside flush
 with the outer rim of the pail, support-
 ed by a thick rubber band, held in
 place by a projecting ledge underneath.
 On one side of the shoulder of the pail
 is the nozzle which has been referred
 to, and on the opposite side are four
 similar nozzles, all of which are like the
 small connections upon the iron pipe.
 The solitary nozzle is for attachment to
 the long flexible tube from the iron
 pipe; the other four are for short lengths
 of tubing connected in their turn with
 specially-constructed teat cups, each of
 which receives a teat of the cow under
 operation.

The cups, like the pail, are made of
 tinned iron, and each one is pro-
 vided with a tap or stopcock. The
 milk pail has in addition to its handle
 a couple of hooks, by means of which
 it is suspended a little in front of the
 cow's udder, a broad band of girthing
 being across the animal's loins for the
 purpose. The method of operating is
 very simple. When all is ready, the
 pump is worked by a small boy, and
 the air is thus exhausted from the iron
 pipe. Then a pail, with its cup attach-
 ed, is adjusted under the cow, the tube
 is joined to one of the connections over-
 head, the stopcock is opened, and a par-
 tial vacuum, is established within the
 pail. Next one of the cups was moist-
 ened and placed so as to embrace a teat;
 the stopcock of the cup is then opened,
 the teat is then brought under the in-
 fluence of the vacuum, and the greater
 external atmospheric pressure at once
 causes the milk to begin to flow. Af-
 ter four cups have thus been adjusted
 four jets of milk can be seen flowing
 into the can immediately beneath the
 glass cover. In from eight to ten min-
 utes the cow is milked "dry."

An expert who has thoroughly tested
 the merits of the apparatus says that the
 animals submit very quietly to the novel
 method of milking, and appear to be
 scarcely conscious that they are being
 deprived of their milk. While relieving
 cows of much of the distress that has
 hitherto been regarded as inevitable
 under existing circumstances, especially
 in the case of animals with chapped or
 swollen teats, the employment of the
 machine will insure much greater clean-
 liness in the operation of milking, a
 benefit of at least as much importance
 to the producer. On large dairy farms,
 it will be invaluable, as one attendant
 can conveniently keep half a dozen cows
 going. By the time the adjustment has
 been made for the sixth cow the first will
 about have finished milking, and her pail
 can be taken for the seventh cow, and
 so on.

Trowbridge.

James Moore, of Trowbridge, has
 been engaged to teach the Molesworth
 public school for 1892.

The annual school entertainment
 will be held here this (Friday) evening.
 A splendid musical and literary pro-
 gram is being prepared and a treat is
 in store for young and old. A silver
 collection will be taken to aid in pro-
 curing presents for the children.

Brussels.

A room has been fitted up alongside
 the fire engine for a hose room. The
 place will be heated by a coal stove.

Alex. Wilson has placed a fine Bell
 upright piano, style E., manufactured
 at Guelph, in the home of W. Nightin-
 gale, merchant, of this place.

Alex. Wilson has disposed of his house
 and lot on Princess street to Mrs. Mc
 Lean for the sum of \$450. It is a very
 cheap property. Mr. Wilson intends re-
 moving to Manitoba.

Nomination day for municipal officers
 on Monday, Dec. 28, 12 noon. If there
 is an election Ronald McNaughton and
 Wm. Aldridge will be the Deputy Re-
 turning officers with the polling places
 at J. J. Gilpin's office and the Council
 Chamber. Trustees' nominations on
 the 25th also.

The residents of Brussels and sur-
 rounding country were greatly surprised
 on Friday, Dec. 4th, to hear that Geo.,
 eldest son of Jno. B. Smith, hardware
 merchant, had passed away after a brief
 illness, at the early age of 14 years and
 7 months. He had been the subject of
 that terrible disease diabetes and that
 and subsequent complications speedily
 terminated his earthly career.