

Why should a Scotch girl come over to India in the month of May? Because she is sure to meet the moon soon! (Monsoon.)

Mr. George Smith the other day shipped three car loads of onions from Grimsby for St. Louis, netting him some \$1,500, and a few days before shipped three car loads to Cincinnati and Pittsburg.

Col. Forrest, Canadian representative on the staff of the International Boundary Survey between the United States and Canada, is in Ottawa. He states that the line has been located for 500 miles, stretching westward from Lake of the Woods.

**PEN vs. SWORD.**  
Mightier than the sword the pen is,  
When it is in the hands of clever men;  
But sharper blade is not so boring  
As dullard's prose, which sets one snoring.

Dugald—"I saw ye wee nae at the kirk the day, Tonal." Donald—"Year right. I had nae coppers for the plate, and I need my three-penny bit to buy bawky in the morn."

Josh Billings says—"A man who works hard all the week and drinks the proceeds on Saturday night, reminds me of the time when I used to haul a big sleigh up to the top of the hill and then slide down."

A little girl, daughter of William McKnight, Beaverton, while crossing the river, ventured upon a weak part of the ice. It gave way and she was immediately carried by the current under the ice and drowned.

**TRAPPING BUFFALO ROUGHS.**—A Fort Erie despatch, dated Feb. 20, says.—A party of roughs, about 35, arrived from Buffalo this afternoon, some coming over by the ferry and some in small boats to have a dog fight. The authorities here were advised of it. A detachment of volunteers was mustered and kept secluded until the dogs were about ready to fight, when the volunteers made an attack on the double breach. The roughs then scattered in all directions, some making for their boats and others for the land, but many were caught, and in all about fourteen of them are locked up.

**Southern Extension W. G. & B. R.**—The Listowel Banner gives currency to the report that the Southern Extension of the W. G. & B. R. will soon be opened for traffic to Kincaidine. We are glad to be able to say that the report is correct. The Committee appointed at the last meeting of the G. W. B. are now on their way to England, or have already arrived in this country, and it is expected that as soon as they inspect the line the difficulty with the contractor will be settled and an order given to open the line for traffic. We congratulate the people living between Palmerston and Kincaidine on the prospect of having the road at last opened. They have waited long and patiently, for they should have been getting the benefit of it long ago.

Mr. Hugh Bell, a prominent citizen of Dunkeld, Co. Bruce, and well known in Brampton and Orangeville, died on the 2nd inst. By his enterprise and energy he had accumulated considerable property, and was yet in the prime of life when his sudden death occurred.—Progress.

It is true that a hearty meal can be obtained for two cents, as a Boston paper remarks has been done, the suffering of thousands in New York and other cities can be mitigated at comparatively little cost. It is claimed that three cents' worth of oatmeal, milk costing the same sum, and sugar enough to sweeten it, will give a hearty meal to six persons for twelve cents. The fact that oat-meal possesses a large amount of nutriment has long been proclaimed by scientific men, and, in view of the destitution existing among the unemployed, it might be substituted for more expensive and far less nutritious food with excellent effect.

**BREAKFAST.**—Epps's Cocoa.—GRATEFUL AND COMFORTING.—"By a thorough knowledge of the natural laws which govern the operations of digestion and nutrition, and by a careful application of the fine properties of well-selected cocoa, Mr. Epps has provided our breakfast tables with a delicately flavoured beverage which may save us many heavy doctors' bills."—Civil Service Gazette. Made simply with boiling water or milk. Each packet is labelled—"James Epps & Co., Homoeopathic Chemists, London."

**Commercial.**  
**Guelph Markets.**  
Mercury Office, Feb. 21.  
Flour, per 100 lbs. do \$3 20 to \$3 50  
Fall Wheat, per 100 lbs. do 2 00 to 2 50  
Treadwell do do 1 85 to 1 90  
Spring Wheat do do 1 75 to 1 85  
Oats do do 1 10 to 1 15  
Peas do do 1 03 to 1 10  
Barley, new, do do 2 90 to 3 00  
Hay, per ton do do 12 00 to 16 00  
Straw do do 3 00 to 5 00  
Wood, per cord do do 4 00 to 4 50  
Eggs, per dozen do do 18 to 20  
Butter, dairy packed do do 20 to 22  
Butter, rolls do do 22 to 23  
Potatoes, per bush do do 40 to 50  
Apples, per 100 lbs do do 60 to 1 00  
Dressed Hogs, per cwt. do do 7 00 to 7 50  
Beef, per cwt. do do 4 00 to 4 50

**Toronto Markets.**  
Toronto, Feb. 20.  
Fall Wheat, per bush, do \$1 30 to \$1 35  
Spring Wheat, do do 1 10 to 1 17  
Barley, do do 1 85 to 1 90  
Oats do do 1 10 to 1 15  
Peas do do 1 03 to 1 10  
Dressed Hogs per 100 lbs. do 7 50 to 8 25  
Butter, lb rolls do do 25 to 30  
Butter, tub dairy do do 25 to 30  
Eggs, fresh, per doz. do do 25 to 27  
Apples, per barrel do do 2 50 to 3 00  
Potatoes, per bush do do 40 to 50  
Hay, per ton do do 12 00 to 15 00  
Straw do do 14 00 to 18 50

**Special Notices.**  
**EXHAUSTED VITALITY.**—The SCIENCE OF LIFE IN SELF-PRESERVATION. A Medical Treatise on the Cause and Cure of Exhausted Vitality, Premature Decline in Man, Nervous and Physical Debility, Hypochondria, Impotency, Spermatichia or Seminal Weakness, and all other diseases arising from the errors of youth or the indiscretions or excesses of mature years. This is indeed a book for every man. Thousands have been taught by this work the true way to health and happiness. It is the cheapest and best medical work ever published, and the only one of this class of its worth reading. 190th edition, revised, much enlarged, illustrated, bound in leather, French cloth. Price \$1. Sent by mail, post-paid, on receipt of price. Address PHAROS MEDICAL INSTITUTE, No. 4, Bulfinch Street, Boston, Mass., or Dr. W. H. PARER, Assistant Physician. N.B.—The author may be consulted on the above as well as all diseases requiring skill and experience apdwy.

**BEECHER** remarks that you often see a man with a little bullet head, having a vigorous stomach to drive his body and brain, accomplish more than the big-headed man who makes a small quantity of blood, and that poor and thin. To enable mind and body to endure protracted mental and physical exertion, there must be perfect digestion and assimilation of food, and the formation of pure blood to vitalize the organs and tissues. Dr. Wheeler's Compound Elixir of Phosphates and Calcium, perfects nutrition, and furnishes material for bone, muscle and nerve, to supply the waste of vital force going on from over work, dissipation, bad habits, and all prostrating diseases. im.

**\$5 to \$20 PER DAY.** Agents wanted for all classes of working people, of either sex, young or old, make more money at work for us than for any other. For the time—than at anything else. Particulars free. Address G. Binson & Co., Portland, Maine. mvdwy

**FURNITURE AT RETAIL.**  
**BURR & SKINNER**  
Take pleasure in announcing that in addition to their wholesale trade they are now selling at retail at their new warehouses

**At the Factory, Oxford st.,**  
ALL KINDS OF  
**FURNITURE**  
Spring Beds, Mattresses, &c.  
Having large facilities for making Furniture, they are in a position to offer every inducement in the way of fresh new goods, new designs, and best of finish, all at low prices.  
Also, all kinds of ordered Work, Upholstering, &c., done at the shortest notice.  
**BURR & SKINNER,**  
Guelph, Jan. 27, 1874.

**JAMES COORMACK,**  
**TAILOR and CLOTHIER**  
NO. 1, WYNDHAM STREET.  
Has now on hand a superior stock of  
**FRENCH, SCOTCH, ENGLISH**

—AND—  
**CANADIAN**  
**WOOLENS**  
Suitable for the Fall and Winter.  
—O—  
**FRENCH COATINGS**  
A speciality this Season.  
A magnificent display

**Of Gents' Furnishing Goods;**  
Also a large and well selected stock of Ready made Clothing at very low prices.  
**JAMES COORMACK,**  
No. 1, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

**JUST RECEIVED**  
**AT**  
**G. B. McCullough's**  
**NEW**  
**DRUG STORE**  
A LARGE SUPPLY OF  
**"Handy Package Dyes"**

In all shades, comprising  
Scarlet, Bismarck, Falmon, Rose, Slate, Blue, Magenta, Brown, Ponceau, Maroon, Black, Violet, Garnet, Green, etc.

Each package warranted to color one or more pounds of goods.  
See sample card in window.  
Price 15 cents per package.  
**ALSO, THE**  
**Depilatory Powder**  
Warranted to remove false hair without injuring the skin.  
**G. B. McCULLOUGH,**  
Dispensing Chemist  
No. 3, Day's Block,  
Next door to J. E. McDermott's and directly opposite John Horsman's.

**HART & SPIERS,**  
Conveyancers, Land, Loan, Insurance, and General Agents, 4 Day's Block, Guelph.  
In reference to the above, Wm. Hart begs to inform his friends and the public that he has entered into partnership with Mr. Jas. S. Spiers in the above business, and while expressing his grateful acknowledgments for the liberal share of patronage bestowed upon him for the past three years, would respectfully solicit a continuance of the same to the new firm.  
All business entrusted to us will receive prompt and strict attention.  
Deeds, Mortgages, Wills, Leases, etc. etc. neatly and correctly prepared.  
Money always on hand in sums to suit borrowers, on mortgages or good personal security. No delay or extravagant charges.  
Our list of Town and Farm Property is large and varied, and parties in want of real estate of any kind should call on us before purchasing elsewhere.  
Agents for the Commercial Union Assurance Company of London, England.  
**HART & SPIERS,**  
12Nw 4 Day's Block, Guelph, Ont.

**THE**  
**Guelph Bakery,**  
Two doors above the Wellington Hotel.

**W. J. LITTLE**  
While thanking the public generally for the liberal patronage heretofore bestowed upon him, would respectfully inform them that he is still prepared to supply them with all kinds of  
**Biscuits, Pastry, Bride's Cakes,**  
and Confectionery of every description.  
Bread, plain and fancy, always on hand and delivered.  
**W. J. LITTLE,** dw  
Guelph, Oct. 17, 1873.

**1874 Fresh Arrival. 1874**  
**NEW GOODS**  
**ARRIVED**  
**AT J. HUNTER'S**  
Wholesale and Retail.  
**CALL AND SEE**  
The Largest Stock,  
The Greatest Variety,  
The Best and the Cheapest  
Goods for the Season  
Ever exhibited in Guelph  
**AT J. HUNTER'S**  
Berlin Wool, Fancy Goods and Toy Store  
Wyndham Street Guelph.

**MILL PRIVILEGE FOR SALE**  
CHEAP.—The undersigned offers for sale a first-class mill privilege, capable of driving any ordinary machinery. Situated within one mile of the thriving village of McKellar Falls. The above is a splendid opening for a grist mill, as there is now within seventeen miles in any direction. For particulars apply to David Patterson, McKellar P.O., Parry Sound District, Ont. Feb. 4, 1874. wtf

**At the Noted Tea Store!**  
12lbs. of Good Bright Sugar for \$1.  
20lbs. of Good Currants for \$1.  
Choice Imperia New Crop Tea, 50c. per lb., worth 75 cents.  
Extra Choice Gunpowder Tea, 75c. per lb., worth \$1.  
100 brls New Sat at \$1.20 per brl.  
100 hlf brls of Lake Huron Herrings, heads off and split, at \$2.75 per hlf brl.

New White Fish, Trout, and Labrador Herrings in stock.  
**J. E. McELDERRY,**  
2 Day's Block, Guelph.

**Co-Operative Store.**  
The following Goods have been reduced in price in order to effect a clearance:

FUR MUFFS FUR SETTS FUR CAPS WINTER JACKETS WINTER SHAWLS WOOL PANTS WOOL VESTS WOOL SHIRTS WOOL DRAWERS WOOL HOODS WOOL CLOVES WOOL SCARVES WOOL STOCKINGS	BED BLANKETS HORSE BLANKETS HEAVY QUILTS HEAVY OVERCOATINGS HEAVY CLOAKINGS MEN'S OVERCOATS BOYS' OVERCOATS FELT OVERSHOES FELT GAITERS FELT BALMORALS FELT SLIPPERS PLAIN WINCEYS CHECKED WINCEYS FANCY WINCEYS
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**J. C. MACKLIN & Co.**  
GUELPH, Feb. 1874 dw

**SUPERIOR LOT**  
**OF**  
**MACHINERY**  
**AND**  
**OTHER OILS**  
**AT JOHN HORSMAN'S.**  
CONSISTING OF  
Elephant Oil,  
Seal Oil,  
Lard Oil,  
Cod Oil,  
Sperm Oil,  
Boiled and Raw Oils.

Particular attention paid to the Quality of Oils.  
Our Machine Oils are now in large demand, and give the greatest satisfaction.  
**JOHN HORSMAN,**  
Hardware Merchant,  
GUELPH, Feb. 12th, 1874.

**The Oldest Hardware Business in the County**  
**J. M. BOND & CO.,**  
DIRECT HARDWARE IMPORTERS,  
OFFER FOR SALE  
CATTLE CHAINS of over fifty different kinds, and made specially to our order.  
GRAIN SHOVELS—Polished steel and iron.  
HALF BUSHEL MEASURES—Stamped and warranted correct.  
TUBULAR LANTERNS—To burn coal oil. The best lantern made; cannot be put out by the strongest wind, and burns bright and clear.  
WARRANTED PLATFORM SCALES—Weighing beams, steel yards. Every farmer needs a scale to weigh his produce. A good one will save twice its cost in 1 year.  
CHOPPING AXES—Made to order from several makers, and over thirty-five different kinds.  
CROSS CUT SAWS, with teeth of various shapes. Butting Saws for cutting hardwood. We have saws of all kinds from approved makers. Sausage Meat Cutters and stuffers.

With every article usually kept in a first-class Hardware Store.  
**JOHN M. BOND & Co., Guelph, Ont.**  
**JAMES HAZELTON'S**  
**CABINET & CHAIR ESTABLISHMENT**  
Warehouses 210 feet long. The largest, cheapest, and best stock of superior and common Furniture, Mattresses, Grasses, &c., now on hand ever before held by any one person in British North America. Furniture, Mattresses, etc., made to order. A large quantity of seasoned Lumber wanted.  
**James Hazelton.**  
Guelph, Aug. 12th 1872. wv

**ANCHOR LINE OF STEAMERS**  
Sail from Pier 80, North River, New York, every  
**Wednesday and Saturday**  
The passenger accommodation on this line is unsurpassed for elegance and comfort.

**RATES OF PASSAGE.**  
Glasgow, Liverpool and Londonderry.  
CABIN—Saturday, \$75 and \$85 gold; Wednesday, \$75 and \$85 currency. Cabin return tickets, securing best accommodation—Saturday, \$130 gold; Wednesday, \$130 currency. STEERAGE—\$50 currency.  
Prepaid certificates for passage from any seaport and railway station in Great Britain, Ireland, or the Continent at rates as low as any other first-class line. For passage, apply to Henderson Bro., New York, or to **JAMES BRYCE,** Agent American Express Company, Guelph, Guelph, Feb. 19, 1874. dw

**THE ALLAN**  
**Steamship Line**  
**GUELPH AGENCY**  
Prepaid passage certificates issued.  
Berths and outward tickets secured at best rates.  
**G. A. OXNARD,**  
G. T. R. Agent.

**INMAN LINE**  
**OF**  
**STEAMERS**  
**BETWEEN**  
**New York and Liverpool**  
Consisting of Sixteen of the Best Equipped and fastest steamships in the world, sailing from New York every Thursday and Saturday.  
Rates of passage as low as any first-class line. Tickets for Liverpool, Londonderry, Cork, and Glasgow, and prepaid Certificates good for 12 months to bring out passengers, issued by **H. D. MOREHOUSE,** Exchange Office.

**ALSO, Agent for the**  
**Michigan Central and Erie Railroad**  
Passengers booked to all points in the United States.  
**MARKET SQUARE, GUELPH.**

**L. D. SINE'S**  
ESTABLISHED 1854  
**GIFT ENTERPRISE**  
The only reliable Gift Distribution in the country.  
**\$1,000,000.00**  
In Valuable Gifts!  
to be distributed in  
**L. D. SINE'S**  
43rd Semi-Annual  
**GIFT ENTERPRISE**  
To be drawn MONDAY, MARCH 30th, 1874.  
ONE GRAND CAPITAL PRIZE  
**\$10,000 IN GOLD**  
One Prize, \$5,000 in Silver  
Five prizes \$1,000 each in greenbacks  
Five prizes \$500 each in greenbacks  
Two Family Carriages and Matched Horses with Silver-mounted Harness, worth \$1,500 each.  
Two Buggies, Horses, etc., worth \$600 each.  
Two Fine toned Rosewood Pianos, worth \$550 each.  
Ten Family Sewing Machines, worth \$30 each.  
1500 Gold and Silver Lever Hunting Watches (in all worth from \$20 to \$300 each.  
Gold Chains, Silverware, Jewelry, &c., &c.  
Number of gifts 10,000. Tickets limited to 50,000  
AGENTS WANTED to sell Tickets, to whom liberal premiums will be paid.  
Single tickets, \$2; six tickets, \$5 twelve tickets, \$20; twenty-five, \$40.  
Circulars containing a full list of prizes, a description of the manner of drawing, and other information in reference to the distribution, will be sent to any one ordering them. All letters must be addressed to MAIN OFFICE, L. D. SINE, box 86, 101 W. Fifth-st., Cincinnati, O.

**FALL AND WINTER**  
**1873-4.**  
**POWELL'S**  
**Boot and Shoe Store**  
Call and examine my new stock of  
**Ladies', Gents' & Children's**  
**BOOTS & SHOES,**  
Which for moderate prices, style and workmanship, cannot be surpassed in the town.  
Particular attention paid to  
**Custom Work and Repairing.**  
West side Wyndham Street, Guelph.  
Guelph, Feb. 18th, 1874. dw

**JARDINE'S**  
**WOOD-WORKING**  
**MACHINERY**  
Sash and Moulding Machines;  
Tenoning Machines, single and double copo;  
Hand Miter Machines;  
Moulding Knives to any pattern;  
—ALSO—  
Screw Stamping Machines.  
**Mill, Agricultural and other**  
Repairs.  
**ANDREW JARDINE,**  
Hespeler, Feb. 18, 1873. wsm

**WELLINGTON FOUNDRY,**  
**GUELPH, ONT.**  
**INGLIS & HUNTER**  
(Late Eratt, Inglis & Co.)

Manufacturers of Portable and Stationary Steam Engines and Boilers, Flouring and Saw Mill Machinery of all kinds, Steam Machines, Combined Hoisting and Shingle Machines, Barrel Head Turners and Planers, Brake Cutters and Jointers, Potash Kettles, Coolers, etc., etc.  
They continue to manufacture and put in Watson's Improved Van De-water Turbine Wheel. From the number they have already manufactured, and the general satisfaction they have given, they can with confidence recommend them to all who require water-wheel for either high or low heads.

**Steam Engines**  
Always on hand, or made to order. Repairs of all kinds promptly attended to.  
Plans and Estimates given for all work in their line. Price Lists sent on application. Orders by mail promptly attended to.  
**INGLIS & HUNTER,**  
Guelph, Jan. 1, 1874. w

**GEORGETOWN**  
**ACADEMY**  
Will re-open after the holidays on the 6th of January, 1874.  
**Who attend it?**  
Teachers preparing for a certificate.  
Candidates for Matriculation in Arts, Law, and Medicine, and  
Commercial Students,  
Who desire to obtain a knowledge of  
Writing, Book-keeping, Commercial Arithmetic, and  
Classes in Telegraphy, Shorthand, French and German.  
Send for circular. **JOHN TAIT,**  
Georgetown, Dec. 11, 1873. w

**GUELPH**  
**Marble Works.**  
The undersigned will furnish  
**Grave Stones,**  
**Monuments,**  
**Tablets or Posts**  
As cheap as any dealer in the Dominion.  
**Granite Monuments or Headstones**  
IMPORTED TO ORDER.  
**ALFRED S. FEAST,**  
my29 Woolwich street, above Bruce's Carriage Works, Guelph.

**VICTORIA**  
**COMPOUND SYRUP OF**  
**HYPHOPHOSPHITES**  
For the Prevention and cure of  
**Pulmonary Consumption**  
Also for the cure of Dyspepsia, Bronchitis, Asthma, Loss of Appetite, General Debility, &c.  
The only Syrup prepared from Dr. Churchill's Formula, and certified to be Chemically Pure. Price \$1 per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.

**VICTORIA**  
Compound Fluid Extract of  
**BUCHU and UVA URSI**  
A Specific Remedy for all Diseases of the Bladder and Kidneys; Dropsical Swellings; Complaints incidental to females; and all Diseases of the Urinary Organs of either Sex.  
"The value of this medicine has been proved in numberless cases now on record." Price \$1 per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.

**ASK FOR THE**  
**VICTORIA**  
**Baking Powder**  
(Unrivalled and Unsurpassed)  
The only reliable powder in the market. Awarded  
**EXTRA FIRST PRIZE**  
At the Provincial Exhibition, London, 1873.

**IF YOU WANT**  
**GOOD BREAD**  
**USE THE**  
**DIAMOND**  
**Yeast Cakes.**

**ASK your Grocer for it**  
**THE GUELPH**  
**Mercury and Advertiser**  
The WEEKLY MERCURY AND ADVERTISER is published every afternoon. Terms \$4 per annum in advance; credit \$5. Delivered in vew, by the week, 10 cents.  
Rates of advertising—first insertion, per nonpareil line, 8 cents; each subsequent insertion 2 cents. Situations Vacant, Situations Wanted, Houses for Sale or to Rent, Board, Cattle Strayed or Stolen, Lost Articles, Specific Articles for Sale, etc., not to exceed five lines in length, 25 cents for each insertion; for the same over 5 lines an up to 10 lines, 50 cents each insertion, cash. If booked 25 per cent. more will be charged. Notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths charged at the rate of 25 cents for each insertion; funeral notices 25 cents additional. Paragraph advertisement, special notices, or advertisements intended as locals, inserted after the reading matter, but not among 10 lines to cents first insertion, and so on in proportion.  
The WEEKLY MERCURY AND ADVERTISER is published every Thursday morning. It has now a GUARANTEED CIRCULATION FIVE TIMES MORE THAN THAT OF ANY OTHER PAPER PUBLISHED IN THIS COUNTY, AND EQUAL TO THAT OF ANY WEEKLY IN CANADA, OUTSIDE OF TORONTO. Terms—\$1.50 a year in advance; credit \$2.00.  
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Paragraph advertisements, special notices or advertisements intended as locals, inserted after the reading matter, but not among 10 lines, first insertion; 25 cents for 10 lines, first insertion, and so on in proportion.  
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All contracts expiring on the 31st Dec. if renewed are subject to our revised rates.