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BY TELEGRAPH

Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

BY ATLANTIC CABLE.

London, March 4th, midnight.—In the House of Commons this evening, Mr. Disraeli appeared for the first time since the resignation of Lord Derby. Upon entering the house he was received with loud cheers from both government and opposition benches. Mr. Disraeli soon afterwards rose, and after giving notice of the introduction of certain measures relating to Scotland and Ireland, referred to the retirement of Earl of Derby, saying his colleagues were loath to sever their connection with such a leader; no language could express their estimate of the character and career of such a chief, and they all most earnestly hoped for his speedy restoration to health and power. He (Mr. Disraeli) then proceeded to say that Her Majesty had been pleased to entrust to him the task of forming a Government, and he could not decline the gracious offer, accompanied as it was by generous support of his colleagues. In domestic affairs the policy of Lord Derby, during the last two years of his administration, would be followed by the new ministry, and in foreign affairs the policy of Lord Stanley would be adhered to. This would be a policy of peace, not one of isolation, but one of generous sympathy and regard for our own concerns and those of other nations. Such a policy would never lessen the influence or dignity of England, and as it was upon esteem and respect, the domestic policy of the new government would be a liberal one (cheers and laughter), recognizing national traits as sources of national institutions. He regretted the necessity of continuing the suspension of writ of *Habeas Corpus* in Ireland, but as Lord Derby had said on a public occasion, such action was the only safeguard against unscrupulous foreign confederation. Such an exercise of the privileges of the writ was not incompatible with a gentle exercise of law, and he was of opinion that the grievances of Ireland should be treated with a tender regard for that country. After a few more explanations not of general importance, Mr. Disraeli resumed his seat amid great applause. Mr. Boniville, the member for Kilmarnock, said the policy of Lord Derby, referred to by the Premier, was uncertain. If it meant retention of office only, the new government would meet with serious opposition.

In the House of Lords to-night, Earl of Malmesbury said that the subject of Irish grievances would come up for discussion on Tuesday next. After announcing the change in the government, he added that his policy would remain unaltered. Earl Russell declared that no confidence could be placed in a policy which was always saying one thing and meaning another. He said Liberals had given their support to Lord Derby on his promise to bring about a reduction of franchise, but none had in reality been made. Such a mode of educating a party was unprecedented.

Paris, March 5.—The forthcoming ministerial budget will pay premium of the principal and interest of Franco-Mexican bonds. It is said that Russia has been strongly urging upon the Western powers a scheme for independent union of the Danubian Principalities.

Liverpool, March 5.—South American advices state that the details of the news from the scene of war on Rio Parana are important. The good fortune of the Paraguayans continued and improved. The Brazilians made several attempts to cut off the communications of General Lopez through a forest of Gran Chaco, but this effort failed, and in the engagement that took place, Gen. Lopez gained fresh advantages over the allied forces.

London, March 5.—Specie in the Bank of England had decreased £23,000 since last report.

A large meeting of the friends of Mr. Disraeli was held at his official residence last night. Nearly all the leading Tory members of Parliament were present. The proceedings have not been made public, but the meeting is regarded as a favourable indication of the strength of the new Premier.

Dublin, March 5.—The Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, Marquis of Abercorn, has released from confinement Mr. W. Johnson, Grand Secretary of the Orangemen, who was sentenced to a fine and imprisonment in the County of Down, for leading an illegal procession.

The people of Australia certainly gave the Duke of Edinburgh a "right royal reception." He stayed three weeks in South Australia, and 200,000 kept holiday during that period to celebrate his visit. Twenty-five steamers, containing 10,000 persons, escorted his ship, the Galatea, up the bay to Melbourne. 150,000 persons thronged the streets of that city to welcome him. The address of the city authorities was presented to him in the presence of 30,000 spectators. The National Anthem was sung by 11,000 school children, and a free banquet was given to 20,000 persons in honour of his visit. Up Sydney Bay the Galatea was escorted by fifty steamers containing 20,000 persons. And all this in a country that can hardly be said to have been colonized for more than a quarter of a century.

Dr. CUMMINGS AGAINT.—This celebrated prophet still takes an occasional peep into futurity. He has looked in that direction lately and told what he thought of things at lecture in London. "He did not believe in the future annihilation of the earth. It would be transformed, and would put on heavenly robes. Great and sudden political changes, however, were imminent, for everywhere one looked nations were preparing for war. Referring to the prophecy that three unclean spirits like frogs would deceive the kings of the earth, the doctor drew attention to the fact that the ancient arms of France were "three frogs." Was not the present Emperor of the French master of that situation? "Earthquakes in divers places," the lecturer explained, meant "shakings," and, he asked, has not the whole world, commercial, political and religious, been shaken? The Euphrates, which is to be dried up, meant Turkey, which is fast dying, and when it was dead there would be a cry of "Judea for the Jews," the Israelites would return to their own land and be converted to Christianity. A great sign of the end was the decrease Romanism. He believed that the fight between Antichrist (Romanism) and Christ would be fought in England."

The Proposed Covered Rink.

An adjourned meeting of the Guelph Curlers was held in the Town Hall last night, for the purpose of receiving the reports of the various parties who were appointed at the former meeting to see the owners of lots which might be suitable for a covered rink, and ascertain from them on what terms they could be leased or purchased.

Among other offers made, Mr. Charles Davidson reported that he had written to P. Gow, Esq., M. P. P., to see the Canada Company respecting the lots Nos. 151, 152, 153, and 154, and the Skating Rink above Mr. Harvey's Tavernery, and he had received the following answer, viz., that the Company offers the said four lots (situated almost in front of Presarts' mill) on a lease of seven years at a nominal rental of one dollar per acre and taxes, or they would extend the lease of the Skating Rink if it could be obtained from the Skating Club.

It was moved by Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Congalton, and resolved, that an offer be made to the Canada Company to accept their offer of lots Nos. 151 and 152 on a lease for five years, with the option of purchasing them for the sum of \$100 each, at any time during the lease, or at the expiry of the same, and if that is not agreed to, to take the said lots at \$100 each, payable at any time during ten years, with six per cent. annually until paid.

It was resolved that estimates be obtained for the fencing of the lots, building the house, and digging and puddling the rink, with the drain to Mr. Presarts' den, and to lay the same before a meeting to be held in the Town Hall at half past seven o'clock as soon as the Committee is prepared to report. It was also resolved that the committee previously appointed, with power to add to their number, procure a draft of a constitution for the Curlers, Rink, and submit it at next meeting.

Mason's Dramatic Company.

This excellent Dramatic Company made their first appearance before a Guelph audience last night. The Hall was well filled—better even than we expected, considering the delays the Company experienced, and the short notice given of their performance. The very instructive moral drama entitled "Ten Nights in a Bar-Room," was well put on the stage, and acted with a spirit and truthfulness which carried conviction to every heart. The different members of the Company acquitted themselves admirably, and as scene after scene of the drama passed before the audience the interest was intensified while the blessed effects of sobriety were depicted on the one hand, and the direful results of intemperance on the other. Mr. Daly, as the poor drunkard "Joe Morgan," did full justice to the character, and portrayed the awful horrors of delirium tremens with a power and vividness which blanched the cheek of many present, though by the suppressed laughter of some ignorant and unappreciative brutes one would be led to imagine that they thought it was a most enjoyable farce.—Mr. Lampee as the Yankee was very good and very laughable. He looked the Down-Easter to the life, and the bits of slang, the usual twang, and other unmistakable indications of the genuine Yankee were given with particular unction. Mr. Mason as the landlord of the "Sickle and Shear" was excellent, and in the last act represented the old broken down toper to the life. The other characters were well played. Miss Clifton as the suffering drunkard's wife, threw much feeling into her acting, and Miss Richmond as the Yankee gal in love with Sample Switchell made the most of the character. The piece was well mounted, and the scenery far superior to what we usually see in Guelph.

Between the pieces Harry Lampee gave a laughable army and navy dance, in which by a very clever contrivance he represented the soldier, and suddenly wheeled about, and with another face danced as a sailor. The face of Mr. and Mrs. White was well acted, and kept the audience in roars of laughter. Miss Clifton as the bowling widow, fond of horse racing and all other masculine pursuits was specially good, while Mr. Lampee as the genuine Mr. Peter White was as comic as ever. Mr. Vale's excellent band enlivened the performance with some of their best music between the acts. The whole performance was first class, such as we seldom see in Guelph, and the Company deserve the heartiest support of the public.

We understand that the Company have made arrangements to give another performance to-morrow (Saturday) night, when will be presented the exciting play of "The Poacher's Doom," one of the best and most popular pieces which has been put on the stage for a long time.—For the rest of the performance see adv't.

The Increasing Passion for Gambling.

The increasing passion for gambling in the higher classes of English society has of late been frequently noticed. The London correspondent of an Irish paper declares that a few nights ago a young member of the aristocracy lost £10,000 at whist. The scene of the game was the Portland club.

AXES AND AXE HANDLES GOOD AND CHEAP.

JOHN HORSMAN'S.

TRAVELLERS' GUIDE.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.
GOING EAST. GOING WEST.
Mail, 9.45 a.m. Day Express, 9.45 a.m.
Day Express, 2.55 p.m. Eve. Ex., 2.45 a.m.
Night Ex., 2.45 a.m. Eve. Accom., 5.50 p.m.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.
ARRIVE AT GUELPH. DEPART.
Mixed, 10.50 a.m. Accommodating, 6.45 a.m.
Accommodating, 11.55 a.m. Mixed, 3.00 p.m.
Do, 8.05 a.m. Accommodating, 4.30 p.m.

Stages leave for Walkerton at 5 a.m., and for Owen Sound at 1 a.m., Hamilton and Brock road at 11 a.m.

NEW LAW OFFICE.

FREEMAN & FREEMAN
BARRISTERS AND ATTORNEYS.
SOLICITORS IN CHANCERY,
CONVEYANCERS, &c.
S. H. FREEMAN, Q. C. G. O. FREEMAN.
Office over Berry's Confectionery Store,
Wendham Street, Guelph,
Guelph, 14th December, 1867. dw

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OFFICE.....MACDONNELL STREET.
FRIDAY EVE'G. MARCH 6, 1868.

Local News.

They are catching heings up at Guelph, and selling them at 25c. per dozen.

CANADA LIVE STOCK INSURANCE CO.

We noticed some time ago that meetings had been held in Hamilton for the purpose of forming a Live Stock Insurance Company for the Dominion, that a Provisional Board of Directors had been appointed, and that a charter was to be applied for. We have now to add the additional information that Stock Books have been opened, and that those in this vicinity who desire to become shareholders can do so by applying to Mr. George Murton.

GOOD FOR THEM.

The young ladies of both English and German resident in the flourishing County of Waterloo extraction are making the most of the privileges accorded them during leap year. They are marrying the young men "out of the face." The last issue of the *Chronicle* contains the announcement of the union of sixteen couples, one of each couple, and in a number of instances both, being residents of that most matrimonially inclined county. It is rumored that the few remaining bachelors contemplate a migration.

COLLUSION FEITERS.

On Tuesday, the 25th ult., Frederick Mitebel and David Young were taken before Alex. Taylor, and Hugh Stewart, Esqs., Justices of the Peace for the County of Heidelberg, on a charge of making spurious coin in imitation of the coin of the United States, and evidence having been given in support of the charge, they were fully committed to the county goal to take their trial at the ensuing Assizes. We understand a large quantity of the spurious coin was found, very cleverly got up, together with dies, &c.

POETIC.

We are sorry to check the aspirations of any ambitious youth who has a desire to dwell Pegasus, and soar away to the flowery regions of poetry, but we must kindly and respectfully inform the author of "My School-days," that his production will not warrant publication. We would be doing him an injury, not a favor if we inserted it. Let him try his hand at straightforward, honest prose for a while, and perhaps after a time he may legitimately class himself with many who are dwellers on the outskirts of the groves of Parnassus.

PRESENTATION.

On the evening of Wednesday, the 4th inst., a number of the members and friends of the Evangelical Union church, in this town, paid a friendly visit to the pastor, the Rev. Jas. Howie, and invited him and his family to a social cup of tea. The large party left some very substantial tokens of their generosity and kindly feeling. In the course of the evening Mr. James Watson, the senior member of the church, in a very appropriate address presented to Mr. Howie, in the name of the friends, a fine suit of black clothes. Mr. H. replied in a very feeling manner. The evening was spent in a happy, and we hope, profitable way. The meeting was one of great encouragement to the pastor, and much satisfaction to the people.

Guelph St. Patrick's Society.

The annual meeting of the above Society was held in the Anglo-American Hotel last (Thursday) night. There was a good attendance. Mr. Nunan, Secretary, read the annual report, which was adopted. The following office bearers were then elected for the ensuing year: President, Richard Mitchell; 1st Vice-President, Patrick McCurry; 2nd Vice-Pres., Thos. Sayers; Treasurer, James Hazelton; Secretary, D. Nunan.

It was resolved that the annual dinner be dispensed with this year, and that the efforts of the Society be directed to raising funds for benevolent purposes. An adjourned meeting of the Society takes place at Mr. Coffe's Hotel on Monday evening first at half past seven o'clock.

A JOYFUL OLD LADY.

At the recent wedding in the parish of Kildonan, Red River Settlement, there was presented the strange spectacle of an old lady (Mrs. Bruce), the great-great-grandmother of the bridegroom, dancing vigorously a Red River "jig."

Special Notices.

INFORMATION.

INFORMATION guaranteed to produce a luxuriant growth of hair upon a bald head or bald face, also a receipt for the removal of Pimples, Blisters, Eruptions, etc., on the skin, leaving the same soft, clear and beautiful, can be obtained without charge by addressing, THOS. F. CHAPMAN, Chemist, 257 Broadway, New York.

TO CONSUMPTIVES.

THE Rev. EDWARD A. WILSON will send (free of charge) to any person suffering from Consumption with the directions for using the simple remedy by which he was cured, and His only object is to benefit the afflicted, and he hopes every sufferer will try this prescription, as it will cost nothing, and may prove a blessing. Please address, REV. EDWARD A. WILSON, No. 163 South Second Street, Williamsburgh, N. Y.

WARRIORS OF YOUTH.

A Gentleman who suffered for years from Nervous Debility, Premature Decay, and all the effects of youthful indiscretion, will, for the sake of suffering humanity, send free to all who need it, the recipe and the directions for making the simple remedy by which he was cured. Sufferers wishing to profit by the advertiser's experience, can do so by addressing, in perfect confidence, JOHN B. ORDEY, 707-ly 42 Cedar St., New York.

MARCH.

THERE is no use, facts are stubborn things. They cannot be denied. Without exaggeration such wonderful cures are not in the annals of history as have evidently been made by the Great Shoshone Remedy. See the stern, unfeeling and incontestable facts and cures, actually of Consumption, in the persons of Peter V. C. Miller, Esq., of Ernestown, O. W., Mr. Wilson Storms, of Brighton, O. W., and the scores of cases of dyspepsia, Liver Complaint, Kidney Disease, &c., and the case of Mrs. Freeland, of Milroy, would seem a paradox, were she not a living witness.

THE CONFESSIONS AND EXPERIENCE OF AN INVALID.

PUBLISHED for the benefit, and as a caution to Young Men and others, who suffer from Nervous Debility, Premature Decay, &c., supplying at the same time the Means of self-cure, by one who has spent himself after undergoing considerable suffering, and applying, by paying postage on his letter, will receive a copy free of charge, from the author, NATHANIEL MAYFAIR, Esq., 726-3b Broadway, N. Y., Kings Co., N. Y.

Auction Sale

OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.
MR. W. S. G. KNOWLES has been instructed by A. MACNEIDER, Esq., late Manager of the Bank of Montreal, Guelph, to offer for sale
At the Bank of Montreal,
In GUELPH, on
THURSDAY, 19th of MARCH,
1868, his household furniture, consisting of Drawing room sofas and spring chairs, centre table, easy chairs, Canterbury window seats, handsome dinner table, side table, smoking chair, iron do., a handsome drawing room Brussels carpet, bedroom furniture, spring mattresses, four mattresses, barrow, toilet glasses, mirrors, cooking utensils, kitchen furniture, a handsome dinner set and tea set, lamps, china, crockery, glassware, and numerous personal and household effects. Also—
A HANDSOME PIANO,
By Danham, quite new.
The above Furniture has not been in use one year.
To be viewed at Bank of Montreal, Guelph, (private entrance) on 19th Feb. and 19th March, TERMS—\$10 and under cash Banked funds, over that amount six months' credit, approved joint notes on hand only.
To be commenced at 10 o'clock A. M.
W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer,
Guelph, March 4, 1868. dw

FISH FISH

Fine large Table Codfish.
No. 1 Labrador Herring.
No. 1 Mackerel.
No. 1 Salmon Trout.
No. 1 Whitefish.
SALT WATER SALMON!
IN TINS.
Lobsters and Sardines.
AT JOHN A. WOOD'S.
Guelph, Feb. 25th, 1868. dw

READERS.

A Fresh Supply of
FIFTH BOOKS,
FOURTH BOOKS,
THIRD BOOKS,
SECOND BOOKS.
FIRST BOOK—First and Second Part.
AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE,
Guelph Feb. 28, 1868. dw

Dissolution of Co-Partnership

TAKE NOTICE that the Partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned has this day been dissolved by mutual consent, and the partnership accounts placed in the hands of JAS. WEBSTER, Jr., Solicitor, for collection. All persons indebted to the said firm will please call on Mr. Webster and settle the amount of their accounts, and all persons having claims against the said firm will please send the same in for adjustment.
DOUGLAS GOUCK,
THOMAS BREADON,
Guelph, March 4.

SEED WHEAT.

FOR sale by the subscriber, a quantity of Wheat, known as "Aubler," or "Platt's" Milling Flour, of a fine variety. For sale by CASADA FARMER, vol. 3, pages 41 and 121.
JOHN KIRKLAND, Guelph, P. O.
Guelph, 29th Jan 1868. dw

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DAILY AND WEEKLY.

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PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY.

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Letters containing money, to be properly registered, will be at our risk.

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October 29, 1867. dw-1f.

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Best Wines, Liquors and Cigars

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JOHN MILLER,
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GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.
Guelph, Jan. 29, 1868. do it

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DENIS BUNYAN,
Guelph, December 2, 1867. dw-ly

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Making and doing up Curly for Ladies.
Guelph, February 6th, 1868. dw

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Of best Ground Paris and Caledonia

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THE LOW PRICES.

Apply at the old stand, near the Railway crossing.

Geo. BALKWILL,
Guelph, 19th Feb. 1868. dw

SURROGATE COURT.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Judge of the Surrogate Court of the County of Wellington, on the 14th day of March next, for the appointment of Angus McKinnon, of the Township of Erin, gentleman, to be Guardian of Anne-Bald McKinnon, an Infant.
D. GUTHRIE,
Solicitor,
Guelph, Feb. 19, 1868.