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PRICE ONE PENNY

Business Cards.

OLIVER & MACDONALD,
Barristers and Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors, Notaries Public, &c. Office—Corner of Wyndham and Quebec Streets, up stairs, Guelph, Ont.

D. R. BROCK,
OFFICE AND RESIDENCE
Directly opposite Chamber's Church,
QUEBEC STREET, GUELPH.

FREDERICK BISCOE, Barrister and Attorney at Law, Solicitor in Chancery, Conveyancer, &c. Guelph. Office, corner of Wyndham and Quebec Streets. dw

STEPHEN BOULT, Architect, Contractor and Builder. Planning Mill, and every kind of Joiner's Work prepared for the day or job. Residence, Liverpool St., near Ryer's ashery. dw

CHARVER & HATHERLY, Contractors, Well Sinks and General Jobbers. Excavation of all kinds undertaken by the day or job. Residence, Liverpool St., near Ryer's ashery. dw

WILLIAM J. PATERSON,
Official Assignee for the County of Wellington.

Office—Opposite Town Hall, Guelph, 4d
THORP'S HOTEL, GUELPH, 4d
Well and newly furnished. Good accommodation for commercial travellers. Free omnibus to and from all trains. First-class laundry in connection. dw
JAS. A. THORP, Proprietor.

IRON CASTINGS
Of all kinds, made to order at
CROWE'S IRON WORKS,
Norfolk Street, Guelph.

1154 W JOHN CROWE, Proprietor.

NEW COAL YARD.
The undersigned having opened a Coal Yard in Guelph is prepared to furnish all kinds of
Hard and Soft Coal

At moderate prices. Or left at the store of John A. Wood, Upper Wyndham Street, will be promptly attended to. dw
Guelph, Nov. 1, 1872. GEO. MURTON, dy

PARKERS HOTEL,
—DIRECTLY—
OPPOSITE THE MARKET, GUELPH

First-class accommodation for travellers. 20 rooms, including a billiard room, and a billiard table. The best liquors and cigars at the bar. It has just been fitted up with the latest styles. dw

BAGS AND WASTE PAPER.
Wanted, and must be had by the 1st of January, Fifty Tons of Waste Paper, old Newspapers, old Pamphlets, or Waste Paper of any kind, which will be paid for at the highest price in cash in the Dominion will be paid at the Bag and Waste Paper Depot, corner of King and Queen streets, Guelph. Address: "BAGS OR WASTE PAPER," 215 and 218 King Street West. Will receive from 11b. to 10.00.00. dw
Hamilton Dec. 14, 1872. D. MURPHY, dy

OSBORN'S BILLIARD HALL,
IN THE
QUEEN'S HOTEL, GUELPH, OPPOSITE THE MARKET

Re-fitted in the latest fashion. Fivolaient style Phelan Tables. dw

NEW BUTCHER SHOP.
The public are respectfully informed that the undersigned has opened a Meat Shop, in Hatch's Block, and will supply customers with meat of the best quality, at the lowest rates. Meat delivered in any part of the Town. dw
CHAS. FENNELL, dy
Guelph, Dec. 20, 1872.

E. STURDY,
Sign and Ornamental Painter

Sign and Ornamental Painter
Residing at the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

LEMON & PETERSON,
Barristers and Attorneys at Law, Conveyancers and Notaries Public.

Office, under the Bank of Commerce, Guelph.
A. LEMON, J. W. PETERSON,
J. H. LEMON, J. W. PETERSON, Attorneys

GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN,
Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law,
Solicitors in Chancery,
GUELPH, ONTARIO.

Office, 3rd Ward, Guelph, Ont.
Guelph, March 1, 1871.

J. MARRIOTT,
Veterinary Surgeon,
M. B. C. V. S. L., 113 P. M. S. A.

Having lately arrived in Guelph from England, and taken up his residence here, intention continuing the practice of his profession, offers his services to the public, and is especially anxious to attend to the treatment of the various diseases of Horses and Cattle, all cases placed under his treatment will receive the greatest attention. Charges moderate. dw
Guelph, Oct. 19, 1872.

W. M. FOSTER, L. D. S.,
SURGEON DENTIST, GUELPH.

Office over Dr. Harwood's Drug Store, Corner of Wyndham and Macdonald Streets, Guelph.
Having had great experience in all diseases of the Teeth, and in the extraction of teeth without pain, which is perfectly safe and reliable.
References kindly made to Dr. J. R. Clark, Tuck, McGee, Manning, Gowen and McCreagh, Guelph; W. S. Graham, Douglas, Brampton.

PRIZE DENTISTRY.
DR. ROBERT CAMPBELL

Identified of Dental Surgery.
Established 1864.
Office next door to the "Advertiser" Office, Wyndham-st., Guelph.
Residence opposite Mr. Douglas's Factory, 109 Street, Teeth extracted without pain. References kindly made to Dr. J. R. Clark, Tuck, McGee, Manning, Gowen and McCreagh, Guelph; W. S. Graham, Douglas, Brampton, & Meyers, Dentists Toronto. dw

New Advertisements.

TWO GENTLEMEN WANTED—As Boarders in a private family. Apply at this office. 104d

LOST—A gold watch and chain, on Wednesday night, between the London Road, and Mr. Hefferman's house, Arthur-st. The finder will be liberally rewarded by leaving it at this office. 130-45

BOARDING—Accommodation for a few gentlemen Boarders in a newly fitted up house on Yorkmouth Street, near Raymond's Sewing Machine Factory. D. CHAMBERS. 11-5d

SALESMAN WANTED—Wanted, a first-class Salesman. One accustomed to the Fancy Trade preferred. Apply personally to Geo. Jeffrey, Bradford House, Guelph, Dec. 29, 1872. 41f

FOR SALE—Lot 71, on Wyndham Street, known as the Blacksmith Shop Lot. Clear title and immediate possession given. Also, a first-class stone house to rent. Apply to Danks Office, Guelph, December 27th, 1872. 41f

MONEY LOST—Lost, on Saturday afternoon, between Haver's Hotel and Monitor's Produce Store, a \$5 bill on the bank of Commerce, and a \$10 bill. Any person returning them to this office will be rewarded. 13 di

NOTICE—All parties indebted to the undersigned by Note or Book Account are respectfully requested to make settlement of the same before the 15th of February. Any remaining unsettled after that date will be handed into Court for collection. G. S. SLEWEN, dw
Guelph, Jan. 17, 1873.

PRESSED BALED HAY.
The undersigned has for sale a large quantity of Pressed Baled Hay at his Storehouse, Macdonell street. Will be delivered in any part of the town in quantities to suit purchasers. G. S. SLEWEN, dw
Guelph, Jan. 31, 1873.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869,
AND AMENDMENTS THERE TO.
In the matter of John Robert Forde, of the Town of Guelph, Jeweller, an Insolvent.

The Insolvent has made an assignment of his Estate to me, and the Creditors are notified to meet at the place of assignment, on MONDAY, the 24th day of FEBRUARY, at 11 o'clock, a.m., to receive statements of his affairs, and to appoint an Assignee. W. J. PATERSON, Interim Assignee, dw
Guelph, Feb. 1st, 1873.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.
The Co-partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned as Carpenters and General Builders is this day dissolved by mutual consent.
THOS. KIRKLAND,
JOHN DAY,
Witnesses,
Guelph, Feb. 1st, 1873.

TAKE NOTICE—All accounts due the late firm of Walker & Co. are to be paid to the undersigned, on or before the 1st day of March, 1873, or they will be placed in Court for collection. Payments may be made to either of the late partners on or before that date.
Guelph, Feb. 1st, 1873. 2d-17w
RICHARD AINLAY, Nelson Crescent.

PLASTER, PLASTER.
JUST RECEIVED,
500 tons Paris and Calcedonia Plaster.

Also, a large quantity of Land Salt, Water Lime, and Seed Grain, at the Montreal Warehouses, below the Railway Crossing, Guelph.
G. L. O. BARKWILL, dw
Guelph, Jan. 29, 1873.

TAKE NOTICE—The accounts of the late firm of Walker & Co. of the Guelph "Advertiser" are placed in my hands for collection. All parties indebted to the same are requested to call and settle forthwith, and save costs.

As the above notice has created some misunderstanding, I wish to add that the accounts due the late firm of Walker & Co. are for Job Printing and Advertising only, up to the 1st of July, 1872. All subscriptions due for the "Advertiser" are payable to me.
JOS. H. HACKING,
Proprietor "Advertiser," dw
Guelph, Jan. 29, 1873.

NOTICE—A meeting of the Creditors of the late firm of Walker & Co. of the Guelph "Advertiser" will be held at the Law Office of the undersigned on TUESDAY, the 12th day of FEBRUARY, at two o'clock, p.m., for the purpose of inspecting the Accounts as to the disposal of the property, and the winding up of the Estate.
Creditors who have not already done so are requested to send a statement of their claims to Messrs. Horsman and Day on or before the date of the meeting. Those who fail to do so may be excluded from participation in the Assets.
Dated 30th January 1873.
GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN,
Solicitors for the Assignees, dw

TENDERS WANTED.
Sealed Tenders will be received up to the
7th day of February, inst.,
—FOR—
Masons, Carpenters and Joiners, Plasterers, Tinsmiths, and Plumbers' Work.

In the erection of a store addition to Dwelling House for John Horsman, Esq.
Plans to be seen at the Architect's Office.
STEPHEN BOULT,
Guelph, Feb. 1, 1873. 4d Architect.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS
The undersigned having disposed of his Veterinary Practice to
Mr. A. McLeod, V.S.
Desires to notify that all parties indebted to him must pay up before the 10th of February, as he leaves Guelph at that date.
JOHN SPICERS, V.S., dw
Guelph, Jan. 20, 1873.

CASH FOR WOOL, HIDES, SHEEP-SKINS, CALF SKINS, and WOOL PICKINGS.
The highest market price paid for the above at No. 4, Gore on Street, Day's Old Block, Guelph.
Plasterers Heretofore constantly on hand for sale.
MOULTON & BRISH, dw
Guelph, A. 11th, 1873.

MONTHLY CATTLE FAIRS.

HARRISTON—Friday before the Guelph Fair.
BOSWORTH—Saturday before Guelph.
ELORA—The day before Guelph.
DOUGLAS—Monday before Elora Fair.
GUELPH—First Wednesday in each month.
CLIFFORD—First Wednesday in each month.
LEVINGDALE—Friday before the Guelph Fair.
NEW HAMBURG—First Tuesday in each month.
BELLEVILLE—First Thursday in each month.
ELMIRA—Second Monday in each month.
WATERLOO—Second Tuesday in each month.
MOUNT FOREST—Third Wednesday in each month.
HANOVER—Monday before Durham.
DURHAM—Tuesday before Mount Forest.
FRASERS—Thursday following Mount Forest.
ORANORVILLE—Second Thursday in January, March, May, July, September and November.
MOSO MILLS—Third Wednesday in January, April, July and October.
ERIN—First Monday in January, April, July and October.
MARSTONVILLE—First Tuesday in February, May, August and November.
BRANTFORD—First Thursday in each month.
LEWISVILLE—First Friday in each month.
HILLBURD—Second Tuesday in January, March, May, July, Sept. and November.
MORSEFIELD—Monday before Guelph.
HAMILTON—Crystal Palace Grounds, the day after Guelph.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE

—Winter Arrangement—On after Monday, 18th November.
Grand Trunk Railway
Trains leave Guelph as follows:—
2:17 a.m.; 9:45 a.m.; 1:50 p.m.; 6:00 p.m.; 8:33 p.m.;
To London, Goderich, and Detroit. To Berlin, EAST
8:05 a.m.; 7:30 a.m.; 11:00 a.m.; 4:12 p.m. and 8:33 p.m.

Great Western—Guelph Branch.
Going South—6:50 a.m., 12:35 p.m., 1:05 p.m. for Hamilton; 1:30 p.m. for London; 1:45 a.m. for Clifford; mixed 1:15 p.m. for Clifford; 4:55 p.m. for Fergus; 3:05 p.m. for Fergus.

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Town and County News.

NEW DIVISION.—A new division of the Sons of Temperance has been formed here, which will be organized in the Templars' Hall, on Friday evening next, when officers will be appointed for the current year.

VALENTINES.—Oh! what beautiful Day has sent us a specimen of one of these love missives, which is sufficiently beautiful and delicate to make the recipient feel happy for a month. If all Day's Valentines are of the same class, we doubt not a number of "awakenings" will take place after the 14th.

SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS.—The people of Orangeville have just had the census taken, and the village found to contain two thousand and one hundred and seventy-three souls, being an increase, during the last decade, of 1,425. The people are determined that Wellington shall possess another town, and with this idea, have applied for an act of incorporation.

ALMOST A FIRE.—On Sabbath, just as the good people of our town were comfortably seated in the various churches, an alarm of fire was given. On proceeding to the spot we found that, from some cause unknown, the ceiling of one of the pews of Tatham's block was on fire. By the aid of those present the fire was subdued, and the valuable property spared. We understand that the block could not be rung, as the Market House Keeper was, where all good people should have been, in his place in church.

BEVER HOUSES.—The attention of the members of the Road and Bridge Committee, of the Town of Guelph, is directed to the very bad state of that portion of the Eramosa road lying within the Corporation, and known as Morrow's Hill, near the Bull Frog tavern. We are credibly informed that on Saturday last six teams were stuck in drift at one time, and a couple of men with shovels would obviate the difficulty in a short time. We hope these gentlemen will do their duty at once and effectually, and so facilitate traffic. It is very annoying to be compelled to reload two or three times with so many hundred yards, especially when the cause could have been so easily remedied. Enough said.

NARROW ESCAPE.—As the train which is due at the G. W. Station at 9 p.m. on Saturday evening got within one and three-quarter miles of the Branchion station, the driver noticed by the sudden jerk of his engine and a couple of cars that something unusual was the matter, at once whistled on breaks, and brought his train to an almost immediate stoppage. On descending from his engine he discovered the cause of the jumping to be a broken rail, which was in five or six pieces, it is supposed owing to the very severe frost of the evening. Had the driver not noticed this, no amount of damage would have been done to the rolling stock, and perhaps injury to some of the many passengers on board. The servants of the train, with Mr. Conductor Quirk, quickly improvised a wooden rail, and the remainder of the train was slowly drawn over the dangerous spot, and proceeded on its way.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.—A terrible accident is reported from Bathurst, by which one man lost his life, and several others were injured. An embankment in the Intercolonial Railway caved in, covering over a number of workmen. One man named John Good was taken out dead, while the others were rescued before being smothered. Good belonged to Bathurst, and has not been known as a very amiable character, any more than has been his brother, who was once tried for murdering his wife. The accident occurred about the latter end of last week. —St. John Globe.

THE WORLD WARS.—The people of the North West are progressing rapidly. The town of Winnipeg is about to put on long clothes, having applied for an Act of Incorporation. Who would have believed it? The appointment of a Police Force, and the purchase of a fire engine will be the next move.

Fatal Accident in Elora.

About three o'clock on Saturday afternoon, a man named Patrick Fitzgerald, aged 49 years, was working in a gravel pit, near the High School, in the village of Elora, when he met with an accident which terminated his existence the same evening. He was in the employ of Mr. Wm. Stafford, who has the contract of supplying sand for Knox's new Church, about to be erected in that village during the ensuing summer. Deceased was in the sand pit at work, and had been repeatedly warned that the situation was dangerous. On Friday he told the school children that if they did not keep away from the pit some of them would be killed, but they told him it was more than likely he would be killed there himself. Mr. Stafford had returned for a load of sand, and seeing that the ground overhanging the excavation was none too safe, he spoke to deceased about taking it down. They were in the act of doing so, when the huge mass fell, burying Fitzgerald out of sight. About five minutes elapsed before he was extricated, and a medical man, in an opinion hastily given, stated that there was nothing seriously the matter with him, although the poor sufferer could not stand upon his feet. He was taken to his home in Salem where he died in two hours and a half after the accident. Strange to say that, with the exception of a bruise on the left cheek bone, no mark was to be found upon the body. Rupture of the liver was said to be the immediate cause of death. Deceased was perfectly sensible till within a few moments of his death. He leaves a wife and three children to mourn the loss of one who was held dear to them. An inquest was held this morning when the jury, no doubt, brought in a verdict of accidental death.

Curling Match.

On Saturday a curling match was played here between Guelph and Fergus, three finks a side. The ice was in good order, and the players in excellent spirits. A peep inside the rink enabled us to ascertain why this Scottish national sport is designated the "roaring game."

Old men and young, running up and down the ice as nimble as cats, and when a good shot was made roaring at the top of their voices, making the very building shake with their demonstrations of joy. It was a real treat to see the breathless interest manifested as the game progressed, and the wild shouts of joy which were given when it was announced about four past two, that the score stood seven to four. The following is the result of the game:—

GUELPH.—BUNK NO. 1. James Anderson, Peter Gov. 4-7; Nichol, G. Davidson—Skip 20. 2. R. Enslie, A. Robertson, A. Congleton, D. Kennedy—Skip 26. 3. George Murton, John Spalding, Jean De-bio, T. Debbie—Skip 37.	FERGUS.—BUNK NO. 1. M. Anderson, A. Forester, G. Johnston, John Watt—Skip 22. 2. T. A. W. Gordon, Peter King, A. Anderson, H. Michie—Skip 9. 3. John Davie, Dr. Orton, Charles Young, W. Hamilton—Skip 12.
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Majority for Guelph 40.

Snow Storm and Marine Disasters.

FEARFUL LOSS OF LIFE.
The British Isles were visited on Saturday night last by one of the most violent storms ever experienced even at this season of the year. The snow fell to an extraordinary depth in the city and country. Sunday morning it was six inches deep in London; travel was almost entirely suspended; omnibuses and cabs ceased running, and scarcely a vehicle of any description had been seen in the streets. In the provinces the snow fall was much heavier, and in the extreme north the drifts are several feet deep. The gale raged with great fury all around England and the Irish coast. Many wrecks have already been reported, and there has been a fearful loss of life, especially off Torquay and around the Scilly Islands. The steamer Clan Alpine went ashore during the night on the Blockhead, and became a total wreck. It is feared all on board are lost. The ship Sarah was wrecked on the Irish coast near Ballriggan, and fourteen of the crew drowned.

Shipping Disaster.

News from Aspinwall of the 30th January gives an account of a terrible hurricane which visited that port on the 18th of the same month, and which did considerable damage. The schooner *Royal Arch* was driven through the Pacific Mail Company's wharf, destroying about 75 feet. The wharf engines and a quantity of merchandise were also destroyed. The schooner afterwards sank. The barque *Orient* was driven into the railroad wharf and destroyed 65 feet of it, and then sank. The lumber schooner *C. H. Kelly*, and barque *Gilmore* were driven ashore. The brig *Eric* and the barque *Louis T. Stokes* were slightly damaged. All steamships are safe. Three persons lost their lives. The total loss is between half a million and a million dollars.

The Income Franchise.

Mr. Rykert has given notice that when Mr. McKellar's Income Franchise Bill comes up in Committee of the whole House, he will move the following amendment:—

"In addition to classes now entitled to vote for members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, the following persons shall be entitled to be so entitled to vote:—Any natural-born or naturalized subject of Her Majesty, of the full age of twenty-one years, deriving an income or salary from any trade, calling or profession, to the amount of \$200 and upwards, shall be entitled to a vote at any such election, provided he shall have passed to the satisfaction of the Court of Revision in the municipality where he resides, and is in receipt of such income or salary, and shall have requested the said Court of Revision to insert his name in the assessment roll for such salary or income, in which case he shall not claim exemption from payment of taxes on such income or salary, provided also he shall have paid such taxes before tendering his vote on such election."

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES

\$100,000 Found in a Church.
New Telegraph Cable.

Another Ship Wreck—15 Lives Lost.
Earthquake in California.

Engineers' Strike.
The Tweed Trial.

Destructive Fire.
London, Feb. 1st.—The engineers and stokers on the Portuguese railways are on a strike, and running freight trains have been superseded.

New York, Feb. 1.—Judge Davis denied the motion for a new trial of Tweed to-day, on the ground that the term of Court expires in a few days, but intimating that the counsel for the prosecution could move for a new trial on Monday next. This ends for the present the prosecution of Tweed.

Montpelier, Vt., Feb. 1.—The woolen factory of James Gould & Son, in Northfield, was totally destroyed by fire on Friday evening. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

Reading, Pa., Feb. 2.—The bonds, mortgages, &c., stolen from the banking House of Clarkson & Co., Lancaster, Pa., on the 15th January, were found this morning under the stairway leading to the basement of St. Paul's Reformed Church, in this city. They amount to \$100,000.

New York, Feb. 2.—Arrived, steamship *West Philadelphia* from Hamburg.

London, Feb. 3.—The steamer *Dacia* has been chartered to take out a new telegraph cable, to be laid between Key West and Havana. Telegraphic communication between the two points will be re-opened in May. The position of the engineer of the steamer *Marillo* has been taken before the British Consul at Cadiz. Statement coincides with previous account of the disaster. Pending investigation the master of the steamer and some of the crew have been arrested. They admit they were in collision with a vessel, but deny it was the *Northeast*.

Thirteen lives were lost by the wreck of the steamer *Clan Alpine*. The report that Sirada Abdul Mahan had captured Port Hassan, and the investigation of the Russians, and was making their aggressive movements in Afghanistan, is contradicted.

The latest advices from Bokhara represent that that city and surrounding country are tranquil.

San Francisco, Feb. 3.—The rain storm continues in most portions of the interior of the State. Farmers prospects appear more better.

A light shock of earthquake was experienced in this vicinity yesterday afternoon. No damage done.

Fire in Quebec.

Destruction of the Court House.
Quebec, Feb. 2.

A terrible public calamity has fallen upon Quebec Province to-day, in the total destruction by fire of the Court House here, containing all the records of the colony since its foundation, the registers of civil statistics, deeds, titles and legal documents of all kinds, and of the greatest value. About one this morning the guardian discovered the building to be on fire, but before it could be extinguished a tremendous explosion of gas occurred, blowing out the windows across the tops of the trees into the square of the Anglican Cathedral, which subsequently had a narrow escape from burning. In a short time the flames burst out through the entire structure, and human efforts could no longer prevent its complete destruction, though the fire-brigade worked with almost superhuman energy. The guardian and his family had great difficulty in getting out with their lives. It is not positively known how the fire originated, but when first noticed, previous to the explosion, it was perceived in the office of Mr. Duggan, Clerk of the Crown, whence it is supposed to have penetrated from the Advocate's Library above, which had been closed since four o'clock the previous day, and in which the splendid collection of law works, portraits of judicial celebrities, and other valuables were completely consumed. By six o'clock this morning the extensive edifice was a complete mass of ruins. The fireman, however, continued to work to endeavor to save the vaults, some of which have already been ascertained to be destroyed. It is impossible, therefore, to establish as yet the exact loss. The building contained the Appeal Superior, Circuit, Vice-Admiralty, Quartermasters, and Police Courts, with the Sheriff and Registrar's Office, and their attendant offices, records, furniture, and libraries, Stamp Office, Advocate's Library, Crown Office, Judges' Chambers, &c., all of which were completely destroyed, besides the new wing in course of erection. No idea can be formed of the interminable confusion which the calamity must necessarily entail upon suitors and the public generally. Some of the papers can doubtless be replaced, but others are irreparably lost.

EXTRAORDINARY MARRIAGE.—The London *Times* has a half-column article on an extraordinary marriage at the parish church of St. Marylebone. It was that of Miss Kate Fox, one of the Fox sisters, whose spiritual manifestations began at Rochester, New York, many years ago, and who were the founders of modern spiritualism, to Mr. Henry Diederich Jencken, a barrister-at-law. A number of friends, spiritualists and literary people, were present at the ceremony. The bride and bridegroom made a wedding trip to Tunbridge Wells, and then returned to their residence, York Place, Portman Square, London.

Local and Other Items.

JAMES DAVIS, on Saturday, denied the motion for a new trial for Tweed of New York.

THE central block of the Royal Military School at Woolwich, England, was destroyed by fire on Saturday.

WOOLLEN FACTORY BURNED.—The woolen factory of Jas Gould & Son in Northfield was totally destroyed by fire on Friday evening. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

COMMODORE MAURY, the celebrated hydrographer, died in Lexington, Va., on Saturday. He has written many valuable works on hydrography, the most popular being his *Physical Geography of the Sea*.

NOTICE has been given of the intention to apply for an Act for the incorporation of a Railway from Niagara River at or near the proposed Queenston and Lewiston Suspension Bridge, to some point on the Great Western Railway.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.—A sad attempt at suicide by a young girl about 16 years of age occurred at Wellington Square on the 21st inst., about four o'clock, p.m. She would-be victim attempted to cut her throat, and it is feared she will not recover.

DETERMINED SUICIDE.—A woman by the name of Robinson committed suicide at Niagara Falls, on the 1st inst., by cutting herself with a carpenter's chisel, so that her bowels protruded; mental derangement is the cause assigned. Her husband is a carpenter, at present working in Philadelphia.

HON. J. C. ABBOTT, it is understood, will be Solicitor of the Canada Pacific Railway Company, and the Merchants' Bank, of which the President of the Railway Company is the President, will be bankers. The million dollars to be deposited in a chartered bank, as required by the Act, and which is a necessary element in the legal existence of the Company, has not been deposited.

IT is stated that Dr. Ryerson, Chief Superintendent of Education, will shortly send in his resignation to the Government. The doctor is nearly seventy years of age, and has been Chief Superintendent since 1844. It is also stated that they will be granted a pension for his long services to the country. Professor McLennan, it is understood, will be his successor.

ENTREPRENEUR.—It is stated that a number of gentlemen in Toronto have an enterprise in contemplation by which as a company they anticipate making large profits, through the employment of Chinese labor. Should their present scheme attain perfection, a number of Chinese will be imported next spring. At present there is a Chinaman nearly thirty years of age, from Canton, at work in the Pekin Tea Store. He is a great source of curiosity to Young Canada.

"THE ROOT OF ALL EVIL."—A Camden (U.S.) tale of avarice and miserly privation surpasses fiction in strangeness, and seems hardly credible. Two old maids of that town, rich in dollars, had lived together for nearly a generation in their ancient, gable-end mansion, bolted and barred from all intercourse with the outside world, lest they should be robbed of the treasure they hoarded up so carefully, and making only occasional sallies from the locked and darkened house to purchase the necessaries they begrudged themselves. Not long since the strange sisters, then nearly eighty years of age, passed a day on a different street and moved their goods into it. Days and weeks passed, and the neighbors, discovering no signs of living inhabitants about the place, determined to fathom the mystery, and with that purpose took police aid and effected an entrance, when a fearful scene met their gaze. In a sitting posture, on a ragged bed, was one of the sisters stark and cold in death, while in an opposite corner, crouched, muttering and mumbling cold and starving, the other, who with the strong even in the presence of the police, shrieked out "You've broken in our house and come to rob us!" exhibiting fear and anger at the intrusion instead of delight at what should have been a well-earned deliverance from the horrible situation. The poor wretch was taken to a place of comfort and cared for, though she is not expected to recover. A coroner found that the dead hag came to her end by "cold starvation and neglect."

ACCIDENT IN KEPPLE.—An accident of a singular nature happened to Mr. Donald McGregor, of the 22nd Con. of Keppel, on the 13th ult. It appears that on that day, after feeding the cattle, he jumped down from the hay rick, and unfortunately lit upon a hay fork which was standing up in some chaff. The handle of the fork entered his body, running under the skin for a considerable distance, and then penetrating several inches into the abdomen—the wound made being fifteen inches in length.

THE BARRON.—At the request of the British Government reports have been drawn up, showing the working of the ballot in the colonies of Australia and Tasmania. In every case it is praised, as a system well adapted to put an end to the corrupt practices, bribery and intimidation, indulged in at Parliamentary elections. We hope, as we have said before, that it will be introduced into Canada, and that it will receive a fair trial.

THERE was an attempt at insurrection in Hayti about the 20th ult., but the prompt arrest of sixty ring-leaders, and the execution of five principals, stopped the rebellion.

A Chicago man has invented a bunk peculiarly suitable for railway travellers, as, by a simple contrivance, it may be converted into a coffin.

THE Sultan of Turkey is to be present at the Vienna Exhibition.