

Commercial.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.

TRAFFIC FOR WEEK ENDING 8TH JAN., 1864.

Table with 2 columns: Item (Passengers, Freight and Live Stock, Mails and Sundries, etc.) and Amount (\$17,176 34, 23,193 14, etc.).

JAMES CHARLTON.

AUDIT OFFICE, HAMILTON, Jan. 9, 1864.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

RETURN OF TRAFFIC, FOR THE WEEK ENDING JAN. 2ND, 1864.

Table with 2 columns: Item (Passengers, Mails and Sundries, Freight and Live Stock, etc.) and Amount (\$26,351 72, 5,700 00, etc.).

LIVERPOOL MARKETS.

A. R. MACPHERSON & CO.'S REGISTERED PRICE CURRENT.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 16th, 1863.

Large table listing various commodities like Beef, Pork, Bacon, Lard, etc. with prices in columns.

PETROLEUM.

Table listing petroleum products like American Crude, Canadian Refined, etc. with prices.

There are more sorrows of women than of men, just as in heaven there are more eclipses of the moon than the sun.

It was Punch who said so felicitously that while men only want (modest dogs) all they can get, the women want all they can't get.

A country editor, praising a successful politician, called him one of the cleverest fellows that ever lifted a hat to a lady, or a boot to a blackguard.

A keeper of a saloon advertising his establishment, concludes thus. Those of my patrons who may desire it, can be sent home on a wheelbarrow gratis.

Impertinence often passes for wit among the vulgar. A rural editor, having published a long article on 'bogs,' a rival paper unbraided him for obtruding his family matters upon the public.

'Bobby, what does your father do for a living?' 'He's a philanthropist, sir,' 'Ah what?' 'A phi-lan-thro-pist, sir, he collects money for Central Africa, and builds houses out of the proceeds.'

A chap down in Connecticut, after the passage of the conscription act, got married to evade the draft. He says now if he can get a divorce he will enlist, as if he must fight, he would rather fight for his country.

MELANCHOLY OCCURRENCE AT DOG LAKE.—In the stagnation of local sensation in town, our 'special' at Dog Lake comes to our relief with a thrilling narrative:—On the morning of New Year's day our usually quiet neighborhood was thrown into a high state of excitement by the determined effort of a young man to commit suicide. Completely disrobing himself, he mounted a shed and expressed his inflexible design to freeze himself to death. A large concourse of influential inhabitants repaired to the scene anxious to avert the execution of the rash intention; his venerable mother, with loving anxiety depicted in her countenance, implored tenderly 'Do Jakey, come down!' while his grey-haired sire, with the welling emotion of affection, cried out, Jake, you blasted fool come down out of that! But still the unfortunate youth stood immovable, awaiting in calm composure the slow and excruciating process of congelation, while the despairing multitude rushed madly to and fro in devising inducements to win the maddened youth to reason. At last in the ingenuity of a mother's love the rescue was accomplished. Returning home she had hastily prepared a batch of dough-nuts dough-nuts be it known, were the particular failing of infatuated young man. Immediately his eyes rested upon the steaming tray, all other sentiments were

subdued in the one great passion of his existence—the rigidity of his features relaxed to an idiotic smile. Quickly clambering down the shed he tenderly embraced the old lady, jocularly slapped the old gentleman upon the shoulder and started joyfully home, meanwhile munching one of the coveted dainties, and the multitude rent the air with shouts of joy at the happy deliverance.—British American.

If there is a heaven on earth, it is on a soft couch by your fireside, your wife on one side, and a smiling baby on the other, a clear conscience, and a knowledge that you are out of debt, and don't fear the sheriff.

A soft headed, conceited fellow asked a young lady at a table d'hote to come and sit by him, which she gravely refused excusing herself on account of it being cholera season,

'Cholera season?' said he; 'why—what—oh—pray—come, sit down by me.'

'Not now—can't possibly do so,' said the young lady; 'father told me when I left home not to touch, taste, or have anything to do with any green thing at my meals.'

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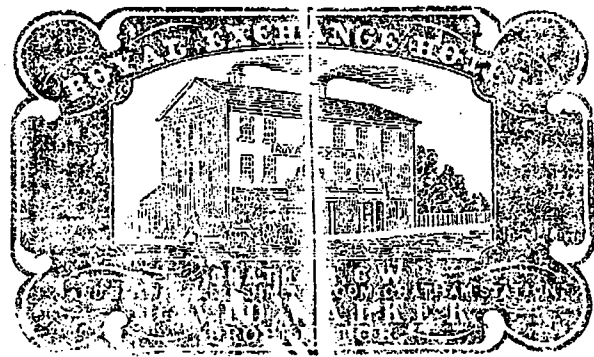
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