Silver! Silver!

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC!

On and after the first day of August next, silver will only be taken at this office in payment of accounts, and for subscriptions at four per cent discount for large silver, and ten per cent discount for small silver. Up to that date silver will be taken for payment of all accounts and subscriptions at par.

McLAGAN & INNES.

Mercury Office, Guelph, July 11, 1868.

Guelph Evening Mercury

OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET

MONDAY EV'G, JULY 27, 1868.

THINGS AS THEY ARE.

With one or two exceptions the nations have returned to their normal state of peace, and the people steering clear of those wild, storm-beaten rocks of speculation, have settled down to pursue the paths of quiet, patient industry. We may take a retrospect of considerable length without finding in human affairs so little cause of excitement as there is at the present moment. The question in which there was more than common interest taken—viz: war between France and Prussia, as being likely to endanger the peace of almost every kingdom of the continent—has been settled by mutual and tacit consent, or at least lett in abeyance. No one predicts the termination of a season of repose, when the awakening must be followed by desolation and disaster. Russia has lately been demonstrating her adherence to the policy bequeathed her by the man who first started her on the road to fortune, and with her cherished love of aggression made an irruption into Bokhara. Here for the present she appears to rest satisfied, until another ebullition of ambition shall prompt her to extend her efforts or renew them in some other direction. Italy has physical peace and mental disquietude. Garibaldi and his Liberators no longer menace the City of the Seven Hills, but he who has his throne there finds his power waning day by day, and even set at naught by a nation that erstwhile was his firmest ally when danger lowered, and at all times most submissive to his will. Yes, Austria has emancipated herself from ecclesiastical thraldom, and is emerging into a purer light of liberty than any that has yet beamed upon her.—So much having been accomplished, the time may not be distant when a country the most exclusive in Christendom, may throw off some of her exclusiveness, and when the common people shall be something else than mere machinery to do the pleasure of a sinfully proud aristocracy. Britain again has rest within all her borders, and glory from her latest campaign, the glory of having saved the lives of a few of her subjects at the sacrifice of millions of money, and vindicated with a terrible promptitude and determination the insult that had been put upon her honor. Two or three old chronic disturbances have not yet been quieted. The Cretans, with Hellenic valour, still hold their own against the Turks, and seem ready to accept extirpation rather than the other alternative, submission. Mexico is still in the agonies of bloody strife, and the Brazilians still beleaguer the Paraguayans in their last stronghold, in the Parana. If peace be essential to social and scientific progress, an opportunity is offered at present. If philosophers reason best and poets sing sweetest when the din of arms does not distract their attention, they may now pursue their avocations with advantage. The trumpet hangs in the hall, the sword is sheathed, and a period of slaying men has given place to a time when the best and wisest among mankind may make efforts for the improvement and elevation of the species.

But in this retrospect there is another point deserving of notice, namely, the supineness of speculation in almost everything except gold, that is after the metal has been coined. A short time ago the hopes of hundreds were wrecked, and their fortunes sunk in eager attempts to accumulate untold wealth with magic speed. For while the usual branches of industry were disturbed, their equipoise having been destroyed by the rush to goldfields, and the investments in oil property. All or nearly all of this is past, wisdom has been learned from experience; the oxen and the horses bend their obedient necks to the plough, and the young man who had given up charge of them to make a fortune in a few days, now follows them contentedly, and is thankful that things are no worse. Calm, steady industry is in general the order of the day with almost every class of men except gold brokers, and the financial condition of the United States has excited them terribly, Gold has been going up, and the shrewdest speculator cannot conjecture when it will come down again. While Mr. McCulloch had in his power to offer a few millions of the precious article for sale, he could, to some extent, control the state of the maket, but he cannot do so at present, and should the fatal and dishonest policy of repudiation, or rather of paying in currency what should be paid in coin, prevail, and American bonds be sent back from foreign markets in large quantities speculation will fairly run wild. But apart from this the world is at present in a more quiet, and as some might think in a more uninteresting condition than it has been for a considerable time. Let it move slowly on; when the action is not violent, the reaction is the less severe.

A REVOLUTION IN AN HOUR.—It takes but a few hours to start and to finish a revolution in Panama. The last one was peculiarily managed, and *The Star and Herald* gives the accompanying version of the whole affair: "The uninitiated in the politics of Panama were rather astonished on waking up Sunday morning, July 5, to find that a revolution had occured about 5 o'clock, the Government been overturned, the President imprisoned, and a Provisional Government installed, and all done in the quietest manner possible. The revolution simply consisted in the Acting President Diaz handing over the Government to the commander of the forces, Gen. Ponce, and making himself a voluntary prisoner until a Provisional Government could be established, of which Gen. Ponce has been established as head"

INSURANCE COMPANIES WITHDRAWING.—The Montreal *News* says:—"We hear that several—we believe that seven or eight—United States' Insurance corporations, now doing business in this city, will withdraw their agencies on the 1st of August, in consequence of the inability or unwillingness to comply with the provisions of the new Insurance Act, which compels a deposit of $100,000 for combined fire and life companies. In one or two instances, it is said, the terms of the Companies' charters will prevent the lodgment of any deposit. On the other hand, we hear of one or two well known and stable companies, which have not hitherto done business here being about to make the required deposit, and to establish agencies in all the principal cities of the Dominion.

Philip Kribs, son of Mr. Daniel Kribs, had his left arm dislocated at the elbow joint yesterday, by a fall, as he was walking along the railway track.

The statement of Post Office Savings Bank Account gives for June, deposits amounting to $203,520, and for May, $145,393.

DIED.

BELL—At Guelph, on the 26th inst., the infant son of Mr. Robert Bell, melodeon maker, aged 3 months and 26 days.

☞ The funeral will take place from his father's residence, Northumberland-St., at 5 o'clock this (Monday) afternoon. Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend without further notice.

New Advertisements.

SPEED LODGE No. 180.

AN Emergency Meeting of this Lodge will be held in the Masonic Hall, on TUESDAY EVE'G NEXT, JULY 28th, when a full and punctual attendance of the brethren is requested.

JOHN CRIDIFORD, Secretary.

Guelph, 27th July, 1868. d td

SHAWL FOUND.

FOUND by the subscriber, on the 24th of July, on the Eramosa Road, between Guelph and John Benn's saloon, a shawl. The owner, by proving property and paying expenses, can have the same. A bill of goods was included in the parcel, from Henderson & Co., Fergus, to a Mrs. Barnhart

WILLIAM ROADHOUSE,

July 27. d4 wl Lot 9, Con. 7, Erin.

Guelph Steam Foundry

AND

AGRICULTURAL WORKS,

UPPER WYNDHAM STREET.

MILLS & MELVIN

HAVE now on hand a complete assortment of Gray's and Paterson's celebrated

STEEL PLOUGHS,

CAST IRON PLOUGHS of the most approved patterns.

CULTIVATORS,
SCARIFIERS,
HORSE HOES,
DRAG SAWS,
STRAW and Turnip Cutters,
Agricultural Furnaces,
(greatly improved from those now in use)
Stoves, Pumps, &c.

☞ All kinds of CASTINGS made and finished to order. TINSMITHING, in all its branches, carried on. Eave Troughs, Eave Pipes, &c., made and put up in town or country.

Guelph, July 27 1y

SERVANT WANTED.

WANTED in a small respectable family, where there are no children, a clean, tidy servant girl, who can do general housework. Apply at the MERCURY OFFICE, Guelph.

Guelph, July 24. d6 wl

HAND WANTED

AS helper in the Blacksmith Shop. Apply immediately at the Excelsior Works.

J. B. ARMSTRONG.

Guelph, July 24. daw 1w

The Silver Question!

WE, the undersigned Bakers of the Town of Guelph agree to take silver on and after the 1st August next, at the following rates only:

The British Shilling for	24	cents
do Sixpence	12	"
The American 50c. piece	48	"
do 25c "	24	"
do 10c "	09	"
do two 5c "	09	"
do one 5c "	05	"

SAMUEL WRIGHT. ANDREW ARMSTRONG.
JOHN HARRIS, JR. WILLIAM SIMPSON.
THOMAS WATSON. HENRY BERRY.

Guelph, 24th July. dw2

DRILL SHED, GUELPH.

POSITIVELY 4 NIGHTS ONLY.

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, JULY 29, 30, 31 and AUG. 1st.

GRAND OPENING

OF THE POPULAR

GIFT SOIREES MAGIQUE!

BY THE ORIGINAL

FAKIR OF VISHNU

In his inimitable Gift Magical Soirees.

150 BEAUTIFUL PRESENTS

To be given away nightly, ranging in value from 15 cents to $150.

Admission, 25c. Family tickets, admitting six persons $1. Front seats reserved for ladies and gentlemen accompanying them.

Doors open at a quarter past 7; to commence at a quarter past 8 o'clock.

G. H. TWOMBLY, Agent.

Guelph, July 25. do 7i

MEDICAL HALL!

KILLING NO MURDER.

Death to Flies

AND INSECTS.

IF you want to kill Flies by the Million, and at the same time encourage home manufacture, purchase

Harvey's Fly Paper.

Manufactured under his own superintendence, and for sale by

E. HARVEY & CO.

Chemists, &c., Wyndham Street.

Guelph, July 18, 1868. d1

J. MURISON DUNN, B.A., LL.B.

HEAD MASTER OF THE GUELPH GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Private lessons in Classics, French and the higher English branches.

Pupils prepared for entering the Law Society the Universities, or any of the Medical Schools.

Guelph, July 23. d4 wl

NOTICE

TO CRICKETERS

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF

Bats and Wickets,

AT HALF PRICE,

AT W. J. McCURRY'S

Bookstore, Wyndham Street.

Guelph, July 24, 1868. d6t

SALT, SALT

Wholesale and Retail at

A. H. R. KENNEDY'S

FLOUR AND FEED STORE,

UPPER WYNDHAM-ST., GUELPH

Guelph, July 24. dw-tf

NOTICE.

THE Partnership heretofore existing between Drs. Orton and Clarke is this day dissolved by fluction of time. All persons indebted to the firm will please call and settle their accounts at the office of Dr. Clarke, Quebec-st.

WM. CLARKE.
(Signed) HENRY ORTON.
R. ORTON.

Guelph, 17th July, 1868. dwlm

Stilton Cheese.

FROM

CROSS & BALKWILL,

LONDON, ENGLAND,

ONE CASE

STILTON CHEESE

IN FINE ORDER.

GEO. WILKINSON.

Guelph, July 25. daw tf

New Advertisements.

THE GREAT CLEARING SALE OF THE SEASON AT THE BRADFORD HOUSE, WYNDHAM-ST., GUELPH,

COMMENCING ON THE 25th JULY.

THE GREAT

CLEARING SALE

OF THE SEASON

AT THE BRADFORD HOUSE.

PHILIP BISH

WILL COMMENCE ON SATURDAY, JULY 25th, TO SELL THE WHOLE OF HIS STOCK OF

FANCY & STAPLE Dry GOODS

☞ AT COST, ☜

To effect a speedy clearance, previous to purchasing FALL GOODS. The Stock being all bought this season, parties can rely on getting GREAT BARGAINS.

COTTON GOODS.

All kind of Cotton Goods will be sold at less than this season's price of importation.

Bargains in Dress Goods.

Dress Goods less than half-price. Another lot at 12½c, usual price 25 to 30c. These are the goods that have astonished everybody.

If you want to get a Dress call at once as they will be sold in a few days.

MILLINERY & MANTLES.

The balance of the MILLINERY AND MANTLE stock will be sold regardless of cost.

Great Remnant Sale.

During the Sale one counter will be used exclusively for REMNANTS, the accumulation of this season's business. They will be sold at prices which must astonish every one.

This is Positively the last Clearing Sale of the Season.

Parties studying their own interests, and wishing to get rid of Silver at par should call at once and satisfy themselves.

☞ No Goods charged during the sale, unless at regular prices.

PHILIP BISH,

Wyndham Street, Guelph.

COMMENCING ON THE 25th JULY.

THE GREAT CLEARING SALE OF THE SEASON AT THE BRADFORD HOUSE, WYNDHAM-ST., GUELPH,

A CARD.

MR. HOGG intimates to the Ladies of Guelph and neighborhood his intention of commmencing a CLEARING SALE of all his Stock of Summer Dress Goods, Shawls, Jackets, Bonnets, Hats, &c. An alteration is about being made in his Store on the 10th of next month, and having determined to clear off all Summer Stock by that time, Extraordinary Bargains will be given in the above Goods, beginning on Monday, 20th inst. I may mention a few Goods, such as Grenadine Dresses at 50 cents, worth $1.50; Muslins at 8c. worth 12½c.; ditto at 12½c. worth 25c.; Prints at 12½c. worth 17c.; eight-quarter Bareges at 25c. worth 75c.; five-quarter Delaines at 10c. worth 15c.; Challie Dresses at $2, worth $4.50; Hats at 20c. worth $1; Trimmed Hats at 75c. worth $1.75; Trimmed Bonnets at half-price; Lace Shawls at $1.50, worth $2.50.

JOHN HOGG.

Guelph, 16th July, 1868. dw

CHEAP FIREWOOD!

THE Subscriber is prepared to enter into contracts to supply Firewood, consisting of Cedar, Tamarack, Hemlock, Pine and Balsam in quantities of not less than five cords. Price, if delivered, $2 25 per cord. Persons hauling the wood themselves will be supplied at $1 75 per cord. As the subscriber intends burning off underbrush in the fall, the timber must be removed during this summer.

CEDAR POSTS FOR SALE

Also for sale about 3,000 good cedar posts, cheap.

Apply to H. HATCH, at his office, or to Mr. Wm. Cooper, on the farm adjoining the residence of J. L. Lewis, Esq.

Guelph, June 15. d-3m

Medical Dispensary

DYE-STUFFS,

of every description, consisting of

MADDER
LOGWOOD, Chip and Extract.
INDIGO
FUSTIC
COCHINEAL, &c.

FOR SALE CHEAP.

E. HARVEY

Chemist and Druggist, Wyndham-st.

Guelph, 10th July. daw tf

ARRIVED.

JUST ARRIVED

AT JOHN A. WOOD'S

50 White Granite Toilets
25 Printed do do
Fancy Stone and Parian Water Jugs
Butter Dishes, with Strainers
Bird Fountains, Seed Boxes & Baths
Corn Starch and Jelly Moulds
Engraved Bar Bottles
Sherry Cobbler Tubes
100 dozen New Pattern Tumblers and Wine Glasses
25 dozen Lager Beer Jugs
Glass Bowls, Cream Jugs,
Water Jugs
Tea Setts, in China, White, and Coloured Ware,

AT JOHN A. WOOD'S.

Guelph, July 18th, 1868. dw

CASH, CASH.

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

FROM and after the FIRST of AUGUST I intend to do a strictly Cash business, and will positively open no more accounts with any one. I also propose to offer at all times the best stock of Boots and Shoes to be found in Ontario at the Lowest Cash Price.

☞ All parties indebted either by note or book account are requested to pay up before the 31st instant, and save costs.

JOHN McNEIL,
Montreal Boot and Shoe Store, Wyndham-st.

Guelph, 17th July. dw

American Cholera!

—AND

DIARRHŒE REMEDY.

An unparalleled Remedy for

Cholera Morbus, Diarrhœa, Dysentery and all Summer Complaints.

A bottle should be in every house. Prepared by

A. B. PETRIE, Chemist.

IF YOU WANT FLY PAPER

That will kill flies, buy it at

PETRIE'S Drug Store,

Market Square.

Guelph, 14th July. daw

SPECIAL NOTICE.

ALL parties indebted to the undersigned are hereby notified that if their accounts are not settled by note or otherwise on or before

The FIRST day of AUGUST NEXT,

they will be placed in court for collection. If paid before that time silver will be taken at par in sums not exceeding $30.

N. HIGINBOTHAM.

Guelph, 22nd July. dwtf

A CARD.

MR W. WARNER CLARK

TAKES this opportunity of intimating to the inhabitants of Guelph and its vicinity that he has rented the store fronting the Market Square lately occupied by Mr Day, and intends opening a

Music and Stationery Store,

Where he will be happy to supply all who may favour him with a call with

MUSIC BOOKS, SHEET MUSIC,
PIANOS, ORGANS, MELODEONS,
VIOLINS AND CONCERTINAS,
FLUTES, FIFES, ETC.

AND ALL KINDS OF

PLAIN & FANCY STATIONERY

Guelph, July 21. daw tf