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GUELPH, ONT. CANADA, THURSDAY EVENING JANUARY 7, 1869.

PRICE ONE PENNY

OPENING NOTICE.

The GUELPH BAKERY

Upper Wyndham Street

H. BERRY in taking this opportunity of hanking his nume gous customers for the very bear partonage bestowed on him, begs to intil nate that owing to the rapid increase of his Whole ale Confectionery business, he has disposed of is Bread business to ARCHIBALD GILCHRIST thom he has great vleasure in recommending and his Bread business to Arcorring recommending, and whom he has great pleasure in recommending, and who, he is confident, will do his utmost to give the state of t

A. GILCHRIST

Has much pleasure in informing the public that he has opened the Store

EXT DOOR TOM. SODEN'S e hopes by strict personal attention to and keepinga first-classarticle, to ment of puolic patronage so long bestowed or

CPECIAL NOTICE.

The subscriber in returning thanks for the liber-al patronage bestowed on him in former years, begs to announce that he has erected a NEW OPERATING ROOM at considerable expense, in-troducing all the improvements of the day, as well as

New RUSTIC Accessories He is prepared to execute Photographs and Portraits of all kinds

Large Photographs with Frames h ntends offering Special Inducements during the coming Holidays.

Parties requiring a large sized Photograph with handsome frame, or any other Portrait of them selves or friends, will find it to their advantage to call and examine specimens and prices. Rooms: Directly over John A. Wood's Grocery Store, Wyndham-St.

Guelph, December 12. WILLIAM BURGESS.

RUTHERFORD HOUSE.

JUST ARRIVED

Direct from Labrador,

50 Bbis Prime Labrador Herring

15 Bbls. Corned Labrador Cod

50 gtls. Dry Cod Fish.

ROBT. RUTHERFORD.

Guelph; November 18th.

Something New!

JUST RECEIVED at the Dominion Store, a very

Men's Underclothing,

Ladies'Breakfast Shawls

BERLIN WOOLS. The Largest Stoos of Wools to be had in any store in town, in luding English, Fingering, Clouded, Berlin, double and single, Fleecy, Merion, and Paner, Wools of every description. Al kinds of Canadian Yarns.

Stamping and braiding done to order.

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Guelph, Oct. 15 1868.

Equitable Life Assurance Society OF THE UNITED STATES

Head Office, 92 Broadway, New York.

W. O. BUCHANAN,

2 Great St. James-St., Montreal, General Agen for the Dominion of Canada. COLIN SERELL, M. D., Examining Physician, Dr. R. L. MACDONNELL, Consulting. GEORGE MACREA. Solicitor, "4. BANK OF MONTREAL, Bankers.

The rapid advance of the Society to the very front rank among American Life Insurance Companies, the unprecedented amount of its New Business for the year, the large accumulation of the Seven Millions of bolishes, already invested to a NEW YEAR. GEO. MURTON, Agent for Guelph. Guelph, December 4th. dtf

ARCHIBALD McKEAND,

Banking and Exchange

No. 9, JAMES STREET, HAMILTON.

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BILLS OF EXCHANGE, uncurrent Money and Specie bought and sold at best rates.

5-20 Bornds bought and sold at a slight advance on New York rates.

Agent for the National Steamship Company, weekly Line of Steamers between New York and Liverpool. Also for the London and New York Steamship Company, fortnighty Line between New York and the Michigan Company, fortnight line between New York and the Michigan Contral R. R., and the Michigan Southern and Northern Indiana R. R., for all points West and South, Royal Mail Line to Montreal and intermediate ports.

Agent for the Kershaw & Edwards' celebrated Fire and Burglar Proof Safes.

Güelph, Dec. 1, daw ly

R.J. JEANNERET,

Established in London, Ont. 1942 and in Guelph 1863,

WORKING WATCHMAKER AND JEWELER

DAY'S BLOCK,

Just received a choice variety of Cheap Goods suitable for Christmas and New Year's gifts. Parsicular attention pand to take repairing of Watches, Clocks and Jewellry.

Gnelph, December 17th. dw

GALLERY OF ART.

R. W. LAIRD Looking Glass and Picture Frame

MANUFACTURER,

9 King-st. West, TORONTO

The Trade supplied with Washable Gitt and initation Rosewood Mouldings and Looking Glass Plate Country orders promptly attended to.

Toronto, 1st April 1868. dwly

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK

GENERAL AGENTS,

TRUST and LOAN COMPANY

THE CANADA PERMANENT BUILDING and SAVINGS

SOCIETIES

OF TORONTO.

THESE Companies afford every facility to the borrower, and give him the privilege of either retaining the principal for a term of years or of pay-ing it of by instalments extending over any term of

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK.

Have also a large amount of

PRIVATE FUNDS

On hand for Investment.

Money Invested and interest collected

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DAVIDSON & CHADWICK

Royal Insurance Co'y OF ENGLAND.

CAPITA - - \$10 000 000.

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Also, Town Lots and Houses In Guelph, Berlin, Fergus, &c.

MARM FOR SALE IN ERAMOSA.

Nothstanding the tremendous rush at Christias, there is still at

J. HUNTER'S,

not only the largest and most select, but also the cheapest assortment of general

FANCY GOODS AND TOYS.

Slippers, Ottomans, Wools, Toys and Fanc

REMOVAL. REMOVAL. CALEB CHASE,



NEW SHOP! · lately erected by him

Directly Opposite Ellis' Hotel,

All kinds of Farm Implements repaired.

THE BOUND VOLUME FOR 1868 Evening Mercung.

British Workman

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Sunday at Home

TOWN HALL BUILDINGS, GUELPH, AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE

MOWN OF GUELPH.

STORE LICENSES.

Wholesale.

Wellington Boot & Shoe Manufactory

WYNDHAM-ST., GUELPH.

Lowest Wholesale Prices Boots and Shoe of every Description, Style, and

SPECIAL NOTICE.

PETRIE'S DRUG STORE.

OLD POST OFFICE BLOCK

A supply of that celebrated

Chinese Skin Powder

ng, Beautifying and Preserving the Skin and Complexion,

PETRIE'S

Drug Store, Wandham Street, Guelph

DOMINION HOTEL

there is a good stable attached to the house, with food and commodious stabiling. Every attention will be paid to customers in order to secure their in the stability of the stability of the stability of in the stability of the stability of the stability of the distribution for Boarder's by the week at reasonable rates Guelph, July 13th. BILLARD HALL

- Adjoining Coulson's Hotel, GUELPH, ONT.

GUELPH

CRAMMAR SCHOOL J. M. DUNN, B.A., LL.B., Head Master. G. H. PORTER, Assistant. The above School will be re-opened after the

HOUSE WANTED,

Having six or seven rooms. Address, F. Mere uny Office, Guelph.

Guelph, Jan. 5 1860. do tf

NEW BUTCHER SHOP.

THURSDAY EV'NG, JAN. 7TH, 1869.

Declaration of Mayor.

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The declaration of the election of Mayor for the Town of Guelph, took place in the Town Hall, at noon, on Wednesday. From fifty to sixty persons were present. The Returning Officer having declared Dr. Herod duly elected Mayor for the ensuing year, that gentleman was loudly called for.

The Dr. then came forward and thanked his friends for their support, which had given him the Mayoralty by a handsome majority. He called it handsome, although the Mercury had characterized it as a beggarly majority; the believed it to be a handsome majority out of 700 votes, the total number polled. It was not his intention to have made a speech further than to express his gratitude to his friends had it not been for the disengenuous and untruthful statement which had appeared in that paper. It was but fair he should make known the overtures made to him on Sunday night last by Mr. Melvin's friends, who asked him to retire. If he had followed the intention of Mr. Melvin's loss, have compiled with their request, for none could sympathize in such affliction more deeply than he, having sustaired a similar loss himself. But he was in the hands of his friends, same as the Mercury said Mr. Melvin was in the hands of his friends, same as the Mercury said Mr. Melvin was in the hands of his friends on Monday morning. After taking the trouble to consult a few of them they, each and all, ignored the idea of his retiring, and said that if either were to retire, it would be in better tasts for Mr. Melvin to do so; and they argued further that if he (Dr. Hered) did retire, no credit would be in better tasts for Mr. Melvin to do so; and they argued further that if he (Dr. Hered) did retire, no credit would be in better tasts for Mr. Melvin to do so; and they argued further that if either were to retire, it would be in better tasts for Mr. Melvin so first the saked him why he should retire, when having made a thorough examination of the voter's list they had made up their minds that his victory was certain. In referring to

sassisted his (the speaker's), and to bear out the argument he would point to the vote which was the largest ever point in the town of disaglo, mountering some bed for Mr. Melvin and Mr. Palmer during whose contest for the Revership the next largest number of votes was recorded. Furthermore, in speaking of the votes, poiled, the Dr. and that twenty toward, and who he conjured of the me cause they replied, that his majority was already so large that their votes were not required to secure his election, and as they felt a sympathy for Mr. Melvin they did not care to make matters were not required to secure his election, and as they felt a sympathy for Mr. Melvin they did not care to make matters were not required to secure his election, and at the chance of donning the "billion" they did not care to make matters were not required to secure his election, and state in this co-rebels of the South would rejoice Mercury the Dr. and that in this had the second and the second sheet also attempts to cover its defeat by another issue, namely, that Wr. Geo. A. Bruce coming out for the West Ward as Stripes.

LittlePrinceTheodore has got out of the wind they may be a seven the second alone. This statement was false. Neither Mr. Bruce nor Mr. Hadden was a supporter of his, nor was there any arrangement of the kind. Kay, him of the west Ward, and his reply was that they should vote just as their own judgment detacted, for he had nothing to do with either of the candidated was a supporter of his, nor was there are not required to were the second of the ment of the case of the second of the man and salved him which was a supporter of his, nor was there any part of the west Ward and his reply was that they should vote just as their own judgment detacted, for he had nothing to do with either of the candidated was a supporter of his, nor was there are not required to secure his election, and the proposed him seed to the were the second of the ment of the case of the proposed him seed to the second appears to the control of the case

reast throughout was wellsustained in particular, the parts of "Edward Middleton", "Lawyer Cribbs," and "Bill Dowton," were acted well; and notwithstanding the great difficulty in the way of young the great difficulty in the way of young men successfully personating female characters, "Mary Wilson," "Agnes Dowton," and the old maid, "Miss Spindle," went through their performance to the entire satisfaction of all. It is a pity, however, that some of our young ladies cannot be induced to take the personation of the female characters, and thus render the acting of these still more perfect and natural. It is a matter of comparative ease to adopt the style and manner of a woman, but it is not so easy to adapt the voice to circumstances, and there is always a perceptible overstraining in all such attempts to personate the female voice. The play itself is one, generally known—somewhat similar in many of its incidents to Arthur's famous "Ten Nights in a Barxcoom"—and portarys the swift downfall of the drunkard when once under the influence of strong liquor. The denouement, however, is less tragic than in Arthur's work, and everything at the close of the last act appears in still brighter colors than in the beginning of the first. On the whole, we must congratulate the Guelph Amnteurs on this, their second appearance on the boards" of a theatre, and we are certain that if they again appear this winter in a different play, they will not be disappointed with the reception which will be accorded them by their towns people.

A coffin contractor has been censured.

Local and Miscellaneous BY

FIRE IN LONDON .-- Mr. Alex. Finlay son's dry goods store, in London, burned down on Wednesday.

LIKELY TO FAIL -We understand that Mr. Weir's movement for the exportation of American silver from Montreal is likely to fall through.

Mr. John Denison, son of Col. George T. Denison, of Toronto, has passed out of the training ship Britannia, as a mid-shipman, into the Royal navy.

NORTH WARD. -We understand that

W. G. & B. RAILWAY.—We learn that Adam Brown, Esq., President of the W. American Despatches

Adam Brown, Esq., President of the W. G. & B. Co., together with Mr. McGivern and some more of the Directors, and Mr. Robertson the contractor, paid a visit to Fergus on Wednesday for the purpose of making arrangements for the commencement of work on the road. It is said that operations will begin within the next ten days.

SCHOOL EXAMINATION.— The half yearly examination of the school in section No. 6. Erin, took place lately. The pulls numbered sixty, and there were several visitors present. I have been at many examinations, but at none of them did I hear better answering in Canadian Geography and English History that at this one. The writing of the scholars was a good imitation of that of their it teacher, Mr. McMahon, who is an excel-tion of a failing of the condition of the mits control.—The Commercial Bulleting of the case against Survate to the President's amments proclamation pardons him of all past treasonable offences against the Government.

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and to whose ability and energy the present promising condition of the school is mainly due.—Globe.

TRAGEDY NEAR BOWMANVILLE.—On Tuesday, James Williams, residing near the village of Hampton, went to the door of his house about four o'clock in the afternoon, and found it locked. On foreing it open a dreadful sight met his view.—His two little children, a little girl aged three years, and a boy aged six months, both lifeless, stripped and laid on the bed, covered by a sheet—his unfortunate wife surprised in the act of taking her own life, she evidently having made the attempt. She drowned the chil. dren in a barrel of water that was in the louse. After placing them as found on the bed, she then tried to end lier own life by opatting into the barrel head first.

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How I will be the difference of the conclusion of Mr. Ross's address, Mr. Jak. Argo moved and Mr. John Ramsay sectange moved and Mr. John Ramsay sectang aged three years, and a boy aged six months, both lifeless, stripped and laid on the bed, covered by a sheet—his unfortunate wife surprised in the act of taking her own life, she evidently having a dead pauper to have trimmings on his coffin." He explained that the relations of the dead man had begged money for the trimmings. He was instructed never to allow such a thing again, for "if people could obtain coffins at the public expense, and still have their friends buried in good style, by simply adding the trimmings, there would be no end of applicants who would get coffins out of the tax-payers."

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The Renfrew Company, one of the head in the country. The have just completed and will sone contrected the house of Commons of Canada, for center Riding of Wellington.

Hrost PRICE FOR PORK.—ON Weed the children was in the house. After placing them as found on the bed, she then tried to end lier own life by getting into the barrel head first. This we believe the highest figure that has been paiding the rimmings is a surprised by a sheet—his under the country of the house. After placing them as found on the bed, she then tried to end lier own life by getting into the barrel head first. This will be highest figure that has been paiding the rimmings and the stripped and laid on the bed, covered by a sheet—his unfortunate wife surprised in the act of taking the rown life, she evidently having made the attempt. She drowned the children in a barrel of water that was in the house. After placing them as found on the highest figure that has been paid the highest figure that has been paid the highes

TELEGRAPH

Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

MADRID, Jan. 6.—Quite formidable Republican demonstrations have taken place at Seville and Jerez de la Frontera. At the latter city, the insurgents made a futile attempt to seize arms and ammunition from the Arsenal. Gen. Caberello de Roda immediately sent a strong force to the town and removed the arms to Cadiz for safety.

MADRID, Jan. 6.—In a preclamation issued in raising the siege of Madrid, Gen. Prim declares the Provisional Government dues not intend to disarm volunteers.

NORTH WARD. —We understand that Mr. Adam Robertson, sr., is in the field for the representation of the North Ward, vacant by the election of Dr. Herod.

NORTH WELLINGTON AGRICULTURAL Society will be held at noon on the 19th inst., we presume at Arthur though the Secretary does not state so in his notice.

W. G. & B. Railway.—We learn that

his control.

Havana, 6th.—The Commercial Bulletin of a leading firm in Cardenas says the insurrection is beginning to decline and all apprehensions that it might extend to the vicinity of Cardenas are work remediate.

Friday, January 8.—Missions: for the conversion of the heathen and Mohammedans; for the growth of missionary zeal; for the removal of hindrances to preaching the Gospel among all nations; for recent converts; and for all who are suffering persecution for the truth. Wesleyan Methodist Church, 7.30 p.m. MR. Ross's MEETINGS.—Mr. Ross has commenced the active business of the canvass. On Tuesday at 2p. m, he addressed a meeting of the electors at Eden Mills. The attendance was fair. Wm. Phin, Esq., occupied the chair, and at the conclusion of Mr. Ross's address, Mr. Jas. Argo moved and Mr. John Bansay sec-