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THORP'S HOTEL, GUELPH, renovated and newly furnished. Good accommodation for commercial travellers. Free dining and up stairs First-Class Library in connection. Proprietor May 14 dwtf. JAS. & THORP, Proprietors

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

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LEMON & PETERSON, Barristers and Attorneys at Law, Solicitors in Chancery, Conveyancers and Notaries Public. Offices—Brownlow's New Buildings, near the Registry Office. (dw)

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IRON CASTINGS Of all kinds, made to order at

CROWE'S IRON WORKS, Norfolk Street, Guelph. (dw)

O'CONNOR'S BILLIARD HALL, IN THE QUEEN'S HOTEL, GUELPH, OPPOSITE THE MARKET. Refitted in the latest fashion. First-class style Billiard Tables. (dw)

W. H. TAYLOR, CARRIAGE SILVER PLATER, GUELPH. Only one this side of Toronto. All work warranted the best. Please send price list. (dw)

IRON AND BRASS Castings of all kinds made on short notice at

THE GUELPH UNION FOUNDRY We also keep on hand four qualities of

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J. MARRIOTT, Veterinary Surgeon, M. B. V. S. L., R. F. V. M. A. Having lately arrived in Guelph from England, and taken up his residence here, he intends continuing in the practice of his profession. Offices left at the Mercury Office, or at H. A. Rickland's, Paisley Street, opposite Howley's; or at the Veterinary Office, opposite to the Court House. (dw)

PRIZE DENTISTRY. DR. ROBERT CAMPBELL, Licentiate of Dental Surgery. Established 1864. Office next door to the "Advertiser" Office, Wyndham-st., Guelph. Residence opposite Mr. Bout's Factory. Street, South-west, without stairs. (dw)

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J. H. ROMAIN & CO., General Commission Merchants, AND SHIPPERS, 26, City National Bank Building, Chicago, Ill. (dw)

New Advertisements.

\$30 WILL BUY A YOUNG NEW MILK COW. Apply at this office. (dw)

WANTED—Servant, immediately. Good reference. Apply to Mrs. Horstman. (dw)

FOR SALE a horse and new buggy and two sets of single harness. Apply to ROBERT EASTON, book binder, St. George's Square. A26-9td-tw.

AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE GUELPH BOATING CLUB will be held on MONDAY, 28th inst. in Dr. Cowan's office, at 7:30 p.m. C. GRUNDY, Secretary (dw)

SEWING MACHINES FOR SALE. For sale, several first-class Sewing Machines, different makes, up stairs, near Ryan's ashery. Apply at the MERCURY OFFICE. (dw)

10,000 BUSHELS OF CORN AND 3000 BUSHELS OF OATS for sale. Guelph, Mar. 13. dwtf. A. R. DAVIES, On the Market. (dw)

CARPENERS AND JOINERS. Wanted, a man capable of running a three-sided moulding machine, &c., also a man to fire and run an engine. Apply at once at Stewart's Planing Mill. (dw)

MONEY TO LEND, On farm security, at eight per cent. No commission charged. Apply to FRED BISCOE, Barrister, &c. Guelph. (dw)

RESIDENCE FOR SALE OR TO LEASE IN GUELPH.—Stone house, eight rooms, wash house, stable, &c. 14 acres, planted with fruit trees, half mile from Government Farm. Apply to A. G. THORP, Guelph, April 9, dwtf. (dw)

BUILDING SITE FOR SALE.—In town, well cultivated, well fenced, 44 acres, spring creek running across, 60 assorted fruit trees, frame stable, &c. Terms on application. For particulars, apply to Robt. Mitchell, No. 1, Day's Block. (dw)

BLACKSMITH AND APPRENTICE WANTED.—Wanted immediately, a Journeyman Blacksmith. A good hand only need apply. Also, an apprentice to the Blacksmith business. Apply at once to Jas. Loring Morrison. (dw)

TO LET.—With immediate possession, the stone cellars, rooms, offices, and upper story in Brownlow's Buildings, on Douglas street, near the Post Office. Apply to John Horstman, or William Day. (dw)

MONEY TO LEND, In sums to suit borrowers. No solicitor's fees or commission charged. Apply direct to the undersigned. GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN, April 24, 1873. dwtf. (dw)

A HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE. At the west side of the Exhibition Ground, on the London Road, a good walk from the Post Office. Title good. Terms cash. e23-112 JOHN KIRBY, (dw)

NOTICE.—The undersigned having disposed of his business to Messrs. J. & M. Millar, the parties interested in the same, by Note of Book Account, are requested to call and settle the same forthwith. JOSEPH BRADLEY, Guelph, April 21, 1873. (dw)

WESLEY MARSTON, Sewing Machine Repairer. All orders promptly attended to. Shop on his premises, Yarmouth street, opposite Nelson Crescent, Guelph. (dw)

SIX Boarders can be accommodated with first-class accommodation. Apply at the shop. (dw)

W. M. NELSON, Clothes Cleaner and Renovator. All clothing entrusted to his care will be cleaned and renovated to the satisfaction of his customers. Residence at the Laundry, Devonshire street, Guelph. (dw)

MRS. PASS, Dressmaker, begs to thank the ladies of Guelph and vicinity for their hitherto very liberal patronage. She has just received a new lot of goods, and she is now prepared to undertake all orders entrusted to her care in the newest fashions. Ladies desiring patterns can be supplied. French and American novelties at moderate prices. Several apprentices wanted immediately. Residence—North Street, two doors above St. Andrew's Church. (dw)

BUTCHER STALL NO. 7. J. T. WATERS, Thankful for past favors, begs to notify his old customers and the public that he has now closed his shop on Upper Wyndham Street, and that the business formerly carried on there will in future be done at this stall, No. 7, in the Market. Always on hand, besides Fresh Meat, Salted Hams, Bacon, Lard, Pork, Sausages, &c. A call from all his old friends respectfully solicited. J. T. WATERS, Guelph, April 7th, 1873. (dw)

POTATOES FOR SALE. Potatoes, suitable for Seed, and Culinary purposes, consisting of Early Rose, Peerless, Climax, Beckeye, Chile, Peach Blows, Kidney, and other varieties, at a low price. Will be sold as cheap as they can be bought on the market, and delivered in any part of the town. JAMES HEWER, Grain Warehouse, Macdonell-st. East, Guelph, April 16, 1873. (dw)

DR. BROCK, OFFICE AND RESIDENCE Directly opposite Chalmers Church, Quebec street, Guelph. (dw)

50 ACRES OF LAND FOR SALE IN PUSLINCH. Northwest Quarter of Lot 27, Con. 1, 9 miles from Guelph, 2 from Morrison or Abercrombie, and 1 from Brock Road; contains 4000 bushels of land, large log barn, and outbuildings. Will be sold cheap, and on liberal terms of payment, or a bona fide property will be taken in exchange. Apply through Guelph Post Office, box 101, or to Messrs. Hart & Spier, Guelph. (dw)

REMOVAL. The Guelph Bookbindery (late Thornton's) To the Corner Building, ground floor in St. George's Square, near St. Andrew's Church, and the British Church. Paper Box Making and Hoop Skirt Manufacturing, will be carried on in the above Building with the Bookbindery, by ROBERT EASTON. Guelph, Jan. 8, 1873. (dw)

VALUABLE FARM FOR SALE IN PUSLINCH. Being West half of Lots 1 and 2, in Con. Pilkington, east side of the Grand River, containing 200 acres, being 2 miles from Elora. 105 acres is in a good state of cultivation, 60 acres of first-class hardwood bush; balance in excellent pasture land, with two good springs, and superior creek running through. The farm cannot be surpassed either for raising grain, or for dairy purposes. Apply to either the undersigned, or by letter, addressing: ELORA, ONT. JOHN WINFIELD, Executors of the late John Winfield, Elora, April 9th, 1873. (dw)

NEW AND SEASONABLE GOODS,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

NEW BUCKWHEAT FLOUR, ILLINOIS WHITE CORNMEAL, ILLINOIS RYE FLOUR, ST LOUIS HOMOINY, NEW PRUNES, OLD PRUNES, DRIED APPLES, WHITE BARLEY, EARL BARLEY, POT BARLEY, PATNA & ARRACAN RICE

Canned Peaches, Tomatoes, Corn, Peas and Cherries,

At John A. Wood's, Alma Block and Lower Wyndham-street. Guelph, March 26, 1873. (dw)

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Town and County News.

MR. A. BARNETT, of Pilkington, has sold his two-year old bull, "Marquis of Lorne, to Mr. Peter Crawley, of Puslinch, for \$150.

WESLEYAN CHURCH.—Rev. Mr. Eason, late from England, will preach to-morrow morning and evening—in the Wesleyan Church here.

THE WEATHER.—Nine months of winter and three months of cold weather is about as much as we can expect this year. But there's nothing like being thankful for small mercies.

DUST is looking up, and we may shortly find it "brisk and lively," if some one does not throw cold water upon its rising tendencies. Oh where, and oh where are the watering carts all gone?—And who answers "Where?"

James Hill, second son of Mr. John Hill, Pilkington, on Tuesday, the 22nd, while helping to take down an old log house, slipped, and a log fell heavily on him, crushing his thigh bone, the leg then rebounded striking him with such force that his life is despaired of.

THE LONDON MELODION FACTORY.—The London Advertiser says that Mr. McLeod, late of Guelph has got his new melodion and organ factory into working order. The factory is located near the west end of Dundas st. There are already twenty hands at work, and this number will shortly be increased.

We call attention to Chance and Williamson's new advertisement for this week. Having engaged the services of Miss McDonald, one of the first and best milliners in Ontario, at some considerable expense, they will still as heretofore keep up that reputation of doing the largest and best millinery trade in Guelph.

A CHURCH PAPER has been the first to add to the three stereotyped headings of social announcements a fourth. After births, marriages and deaths comes the heading "Engaged," and under it a bold couple had their names announced. We are always ready to follow a good example. On that day he was grinding an axe in his stable, the stone being in rear of an old mare, very quiet and supposed to be one of the last animals from which danger might be expected. But a hen flew from a hay-loft near the horse's spraying back and so much that she sprang back and so forcibly and persistently pressed Mr. Faskin against the stone wall of the stable as to cause his right collar-bone to be broken.

CURIOUS ACCIDENT.—The Elora Observer says:—We regret to learn that on Friday last Mr. B. Faskin had his collar-bone broken, through a simple circumstance. On that day he was grinding an axe in his stable, the stone being in rear of an old mare, very quiet and supposed to be one of the last animals from which danger might be expected. But a hen flew from a hay-loft near the horse's spraying back and so much that she sprang back and so forcibly and persistently pressed Mr. Faskin against the stone wall of the stable as to cause his right collar-bone to be broken.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH.—The last of the special opening services took place in St. George's Church last evening. The Rev. Mr. McKenzie, of Mount Forest, was the preacher, and gave an eloquent sermon from the words "Let the same mind also be in you that was in Christ Jesus." Before giving out the last hymn, the Ven. Archdeacon Palmer made a few remarks, in which he feelingly alluded to the services in which they had been engaged during the week, and thanked God that they had been enabled to bring their great work to such a successful close. The Rev. Mr. McKenzie will give a special address to the Sunday School children tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 p.m. of which parents and children are requested to take notice.

THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER is a monthly periodical published by Hunter & Co., Hindale, N. H., and contains well written, although somewhat sensational, tales and sketches, together with poetry, wit and humor. Its speciality, however, is "The Rogues' Corner," which has done, and is still doing, a good work in expelling most unsparingly the vulgar, profane, scoundrels, and blunders with which the States are over-run, and which find their victims in Canada as well as elsewhere. Get a copy and see for yourself.

VICK'S FLORAL GUIDE for 1873.—An invaluable work for those who take an interest in gardening matters—is now on hand at Day's Bookstore. It is handsomely got up, beautifully illustrated, and gives an immense list of gardening information.

INITIAL NOTE PAPER.—Have received from Mr. Day a handsome box of crystal lake initial note paper and envelopes, assorted tints. The material is excellent for writing on, and is just the thing for a billiard box; and it can be had with any initial you wish.

Local and Other Items.

The suicide of Earl de la Warr is said to have been the result of mental depression, caused by the death of a lady.

Mason, the whiskey informer, since his liberation, is doing a roaring business. On Friday morning he had 26 persons before the Police Magistrate charged with illegally trafficking in liquor.

An heir to the Allan Estate at Thorold has just turned up in the person of a young man claiming to be the son of the deceased, who has come from Australia to claim it. Allan died some twenty-two years ago. A Tichborne case on a small scale.

BRAVE GIRLS.—Two young ladies (sisters) of Rochester, N.Y., named Gordelia and Emma Pugh, volunteered to nurse the families of some neighbors dying an attack of a contagious disease. Both took it and died and were buried in the same grave.

A YOUTHFUL TRAVELLER.—A few days ago there arrived in Chicago a little girl, named Emma Collins, aged 10 years, who had made the journey from England, travelling alone a distance of more than 4,000 miles, in order to join her father, who is a type-founder living in that city.

In the Easthope shooting case, the coroner's jury's verdict was to the effect that the deceased came to his death by gunshot wounds inflicted by Andrew Revizor, and that the said Andrew Revizor was guilty of murder. The prisoner now lies in Stratford Gaol, awaiting his trial at the fall Assizes.

ASSAULT.—Three porters in the employ of the Great Western Railway assaulted Constable McBride, of the Grand Trunk Railway, on Friday morning, at the Union Station. They were brought before the Police Magistrate and the principal offender was fined \$2. The others were discharged.

ACCIDENT AT SEAFORTH.—While Mrs. Campbell, of McKillop, an old woman of 74 years, was getting into a wagon at Carmichael's Corner, Seaforth, on Thursday night, the horses started, and her left hand caught in the spokes of the wheel, crushing her ankle, breaking her leg below the knee, and cutting a fearful gash in her thigh.

FIRE.—A terrific fire broke out on Market Street, Fort Scott, on Thursday, in the central business portion of the city. Many buildings were in flames, and it was impossible to tell where the conflagration would end. Great consternation prevailed, as there seemed no way to prevent the destruction of a large portion of the business part of the city.

A vessel called the Oliver Cromwell has recently been fitted up to carry grain between Detroit and Chicago. The Cromwell is said to be in sound condition and is literally a specimen of perfection. It is a fine specimen of a schooner, having been built in the Straits of Mackinac for fourteen years, an event which took place shortly after she was built.

THE SHOOTING CASE IN TORONTO.—Owing to the critical condition of the servant girl shot by Mrs. Armstrong a short time since, the prisoner was not brought up before the Police Magistrate on Friday as was expected. Mr. Armstrong and his wife are living together amicably, so that the unfortunate servant girl is the only real sufferer.

NEARLY A FIRE.—The Mitchell Advocate says Messrs. Mulhern's foundry again caught fire, and came near being destroyed. On Tuesday, while there was a high wind blowing, the shingles near the chimney of the moulding shop were observed to be on fire, but before the flames had time to make much headway assistance was at hand and the fire extinguished.

ACCIDENT.—On Tuesday evening last Mr. Madole, of Egremont, was proceeding home on horseback, and when near Mr. Peter Dickson's store, three miles north of Mount Forest, on the Owen Sound road, the horse stumbled and fell on his rider. Several parties were luckily near and went to Mr. Madole's assistance, when it was found that he had sustained a severe fracture of the leg.

FATAL ACCIDENT NEAR LYNDEX.—As the driver of No. 3 express, going west, on Thursday, was passing about a mile west of Lynlex, he observed a man lying on the track; he at once signalled brakes down, but too late to prevent the train from going over and killing him. He was supposed to be under the influence of liquor. The name of the unfortunate man is Samuel Moore, a professor of music, from near Rockton, County of Wentworth.

A SAD AFFLICTION.—Perhaps one of the most overwhelming calamities that can befall the human species is the loss of sight. A case of this kind has occurred in Mr. John Battle, of Merrittown, a well known ship owner. We are informed that a few nights ago he retired to bed as usual, and when he awoke in the morning it was in darkness, the sight having gone from his eyes. Mr. Battle is a man of robust frame and about fifty years of age. He has gone to Toronto to consult an eminent oculist in that city, and if he cannot get relief there, it is his intention to go to Europe to consult medical opinion. We hope he may succeed in recovering his sight. So says the St. Catharines Journal. (The above is condensed by the St. Catharines Daily News.)

A FAREWELL.—On the 7th inst., M. P. Doyle, Esq., formerly Reeve of the United Townships of Herschel, Montague, Melara, Bangor and Wicklow, left his residence at Maynooth, for his future home in or near Guelph. A correspondent writes us on the subject as follows: "I was awakened this morning by the noise of teams and people coming to bid Mr. Doyle farewell. It was plainly to be seen on the faces of those present that the loss to the township by his leaving was felt. Mr. Doyle made a few brief remarks, assuring the people that it was not want of confidence in the County but other circumstances that caused him to remove from amongst us. He then departed amid loud cheers." Mr. Doyle had evidently earned the good will of his neighbors, and our best wishes, in addition to theirs, for his future prosperity, will follow him to his new home.—Belle-ville Intelligencer of the 18th.

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES

Affairs in Spain.

The Commune in Madrid.

The Pope's Health.

Attempted Suicide of a Murderer.

Indian Troubles Denied.

Strikes Ended.

Indictment Against Sailors' Boarding House Keepers.

The Indian Peace Commissioners.

Conviction for Murder.

Execution of J. J. Murphy.

New York, April 25th.—A special despatch from Rome says that the Pope is again very ill.

A despatch from Paris says the Gaulois announces that the Commune is proclaimed in Madrid. No confirmation of this report has yet been received in London.

Robert G. Bleakley, the man who murdered his niece a few days ago, attempted to commit suicide this morning by cutting one of the arteries in his arm with a razor, but the physicians saved his life.

Topeka, Kas., April 25.—Parties from Banbow deny the accounts of the Indian troubles in that County. Travellers are constantly passing between Medicine Lodge and Hutchinson, and there is no trouble there whatever.

Cincinnati, April 25.—The strike of the Crispiens and Gas men has substantially ended.

There were several brief snow squalls here to-day. A few miles north of the city two inches of snow fell about noon.

New York, April 25.—The Oyer and Terminer Grand Jury to-day found indictments against 17 keepers of sailors' boarding houses, charged with violation of the act of Congress known as the New Shipping Act for the protection of sailors. 52 of the indicted parties were arrested.

The Indian Peace Commissioners met this evening and made awards for supplies to the amount of over five hundred thousand dollars.

Springfield, Mass., April 25.—In the Supreme Court here to-day, Albert W. Smith was convicted of murder in the first degree, of Chas. D. Lockett, at Westfield, on the 20th of November last, and he will be sentenced to-morrow.

San Francisco, April 25.—John J. Murphy was executed at Stockton, to-day for the murder of Patrick Murray five years ago.

New York, April 26.—Albany advices indicate that the Legislature will not adjourn much, if any, before June first.

The steam ship Peruvian passed Father Point this 5:45 a. m.

"Blow ye your trumpet on Norfolk Street, and your whistle around the Factories; cry aloud on Macdonell Street, after thee, O Chief!"

"The Market Square shall be desolate in the day of thy visitation; among the loaves of Guelph bread I made known that which shall surely be!"

"No More Catching."

"The Liberty of the Press, like the air we breathe, if we have it not we die."

To the Editor of THE MERCURY.

Sir: I, along with no doubt hundreds of my comrades in this quiet but busy little town, was glad to read that little article in your yesterday's edition about that base ball catching. Now, sir, I don't see where on earth the harm is in that simple amusement. I don't doubt but that it was quite right to stop some of them from injuring Nelson Crescent, and obstructing the busiest streets, but then what is the use of making us all sniffer for the sake of a few. There are a dozen places in the town where we could enjoy ourselves without injury to any one for ten minutes or so before one o'clock, where, perhaps, not a team passes all through the hour. I think it would be much better to let us quietly enjoy ourselves for the few minutes that we have in this way than to see a great majority of us either hanging round doing no good, or passing away the time holding up lamp-posts.

I have heard some talk about a law against this. If there is, would it not be a good idea to make it public first, and let the officials to work after it was disobeyed. I am sure our mechanics generally are as orderly a lot of young men as there is to be found in Canada; and if any black sheep should find their way into our flock, and jump the traces, no doubt the "wolf" is round to catch them.

I think there is great room for improvement in some other persons in the town first. It says somewhere "Corrupt tricks bringeth not forth good fruit." Leave the boys alone—they can easily afford to pay all the "damage." Besides, a great many of us will have votes before long, and you may need them.

"One good turn, etc."

Hoping I have not trespassed, I am sure the young men generally will thank you for this little favor, I subscribe myself,

A CYCLIST.

Back street, Guelph, April 26, 1873.

The Prince Edward's Island Government having been defeated at the polls have resigned. The following gentlemen will form the new administration:—The Hon. J. C. Pope, Premier; the Hon. F. H. Haviland, Colonial Secretary; the Hon. Fred. D. St. Croix Brecken, Attorney-General; the Hon. G. W. Howland, Chairman of the Railway Board; the Hon. A. McDonald, Postmaster-General; the Hon. W. W. Sullivan, Solicitor-General; the Hon. John LeFargy and the Hon. W. G. Strong, without office.

Judge Burrows has given judgment in Kingston, declaring a husband liable for his wife's endorsement on a note in her own name.

BASE BALL NOTES.

The Athletic Base Ball Club, of Toronto, has been organized and intend to make the season as lively as they know how.

The Bostons play the Baltimores in Boston to-day, and on Monday they start on their first tour.

The Guelph Maple Leaf Club play their first practice game this evening. The Union also intend to commence some time next week.

The opening championship game of the season in Boston, and the first between the Boston and Philadelphia clubs, took place on Wednesday, resulting in a defeat for the champions. From the moment of their appearance upon the ground it was evident that the Quaker boys meant business. All through the game they fought like tigers, and with an energy and pluck which won for them the admiration of the spectators, and what was more tangible and practical—their success. They out-played their opponents at the ball end on the bases, though the total fielding errors showed a slight excess on their side. The game lasted two hours. The following is the runs each innings:—

Philadelphia	1	3	3	5	6	7	8	9
Boston	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	4
Boston	0	0	0	0	4	0	1	5

Great Western Railway—Half Yearly Meeting.

The semi-annual report of the Directors of the Great Western Railway, which we laid before our readers some days ago, contained all the main facts of importance connected with the working of the line. The meeting of the proprietors was one of great interest, and the speech of the chairman, Sir Thomas Dakin, was one of unusual ability. It was felt on all hands that the dividend which the Directors had been able to declare—six per cent.—was unsatisfactory; and people require a great deal of explanation to convince them that, with largely increased earnings, there should not be a proportionately increased surplus available for dividend. Sir Thomas Dakin's explanation was perfectly convincing to any reasonable man. The increased earnings were \$28,491; working expenses on the same were \$29,423; therefore, one would think, \$29,067 should be available for dividend more than on former occasions. It became Sir Thomas Dakin's duty to show why it was not. The increase in wages is the first item that eats into the surplus. That carried away \$11,250 once, or more than one third. The severity of the weather accounts for the rest. The Detroit ferry was blocked with ice during almost the whole winter, and the increased cost of its working took off \$26,517 more. Then snow on the track, severe cold, etc., caused a large increase in the fuel used. Anybody can understand that if a train, which ought to run from Suspension Bridge to Detroit in ten hours, is delayed by drifts so that it occupies twenty hours, a great deal of extra fuel will be burned, to say nothing of extra labor made necessary. New trains were so delayed last winter that during the month of January, while 12,069 hours of motive service were called for to run trains according to time-table, 18,379 hours of service were actually required. This item of increased expenditure added to the items we have mentioned, accounts for an increase expense amounting to \$29,827, or more than the net earnings on increased traffic. The Railway Times says:—

"It was, undoubtedly, disappointing that with the largest amount of gross receipts for the half-year the line had earned, there was no increase of dividend. Still, the causes were patent, and although not satisfactory to Mr. Fildes, Mr. Paine and Mr. Adams, they were admitted by everybody else."

The most liberal expenditure was authorized to place the road in first-class working order. Steel rails for the whole line have been ordered; rolling stock ample in supply has been or will immediately be ordered; the loop line will be completed without delay; the main line from Glencoe to Windsor will be double tracked, and the road will be put in first class shape to do the work, which will undoubtedly be greatly in excess of even the large traffic of the last half-year.—Hamilton Spectator.

ELOPEMENT.—The last time the boat for Boston left on Sunday evening, it carried away a couple who had such an affinity for each other that they had secured the study of music, and now publish the facts, without hiding the names. A man and wife had lived together for a number of years in this city, being blessed with several children. The eldest daughter was old enough to commence the study of music, and about the time her fond parents were thinking of providing a teacher for her, a good looking and accomplished performer on the concertina approached, and they decided to allow their daughter to receive instructions on that instrument, as a commencement to her musical education. If this were a fiction, and not a true story, the music teacher would have fallen in love with his pupil, a young lady of sweet sixteen, but this he did not do. On the contrary, while teaching the daughter music, he fell in love with the mother, and so influenced her that she decided to forsake her family and go away with him. Leaving home on Saturday evening she told her husband she was going to watch with a sick friend, and she would not be home that night. A little before ten the husband thought he would go and see if she was coming home, and if so accompany her back, but on going to the field's house he found she had not been there at all. Where to go he did not know, so he went home and waited until morning. A suspicion crossing his mind that there was something wrong, the next day he went around to the various hotels, and finally found his wife with this music teacher. He asked her and then ordered her to go home, and she would not do it, preferring the new lover to her lawful husband. That night the couple went to the United States, and have not since been heard from. She took as much clothing, etc., with her as she could get, and the forsaken husband has since had several dry goods bills presented, which he has had to pay.

TO BE AMPUTATED.—The friends of Mr. F. Hamilton, the gentleman that met with an accident at Water town Station, on the Great Western Railway, by having his arm broken, will be sorry to hear that erysipelas has set in, and amputation is necessary.