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Guelph, March 28, 1868. dw

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THE Subscriber begs to inform his old friends and the Public, that though several noted characters have lately been constrained to leave Guelph for the sake of their health, he is still hale and hearty, and hangs out his shingle at the old spot,

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Guelph Feb. 19th, 1868. daw

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Evening Mercury.

OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET.

MONDAY EV'G, APRIL 13, 1868.

☞ GOOD WORDS, SUNDAY MAGAZINE and other English periodicals of April, are to hand at Day's bookstore, opposite the Market.

ANOTHER FIRE.—Brantford has lately had the fourth or fifth of a series of incendiary fires. The loss on this occasion was about $600.

BOARD OF TRADE.—A general meeting of the Guelph Board of Trade will be held to-morrow (Tuesday) evening, at half past seven o'clock.

NORTH RIDING AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.—On Friday, the 17th inst. the Directors of this Society will meet at Arthur to receive the returns of the Collectors, and for the transaction of other business.

PROLIFIC.—On the 7th inst., says the Brantford *Erpositor* a small cow, the property of Mr. C. H. Smith, living near Newport, in this county, gave birth to three calves, and all are doing well. Beat this—who can?

MCINTYRE INQUEST. — The Coroner's Jury, in the case of the late Mr. Peter McIntyre, decided to adjourn the inquest until Monday, the 1st of June. It is expected that further evidence will be by that time available, that may help to clear up the mystery.

ROBBERY.—The residence of Mr. Henry Ranney, senr., Salford, Dereham Township, was forcibly entered on the night of Monday last, "by some person or persons as yet unknown," and $200 in bills, a gold watch, a deed, together with other valuable papers stolen.

SURGICAL.—A child five months old, which was left at Mrs. O'Connor's door, Pittsington, some time ago was successfully operated on for harelip, on Wednesday of last week, by Dr. Paget of Elora, and Dr. Griffith of Salem. The little patient was put under the influence of chloroform.

ABE LINCOLN,—This steer was slaughtered in Ottawa on Tuesday night of last week. The *Times* gives the following particulars. The weight of the meat is 2,100 lbs.; weight of tongue, 14 lbs; weight of tallow extracted, over 300 lbs. There were 9 inches of fat on the ribs.

REVENUE SEIZURES.—We understand that Inspecting officers Romain and Davis have recently made an extensive seizure in the Revenue Division of Perth, about three miles from Stratford, of the distillery, brewery and malt house of Mr Peter Kastner, who worked the same. We also learn that Messrs Romain and Gow on Saturday last seized a distillery in the village of Blair, Waterloo township, belonging to Thomas Reid, for distilling spirits without a license.

A STRANGE EXIT.—A few days ago a well dressed "young man from the country," somewhat under the influence of bad whiskey, entered a store in Goderich, slamming the door behind him so as to break a pane of glass. The proprietor requested him to pay for it, when he dropped thirty cents on the floor, jumped into the show window among an assortment of fancy goods, and then dived head first through a large pane. He fell on the sidewalk uninjured, and was packed off to gaol.

GUELPH CATTLE.—The Hamilton *Times* in noticing the Easter market in that city praises the cattle of Messrs. Lawry & Stroud, and says: First among the lot are a pair of two year-old Durham heifers which took the prize at the Guelph fair, fed by Mr. John Iles of Puslinch, and weighing 1500 lbs. each. These fine animals were exhibited on the streets some days since, and excited great admiration. They have also among their lot, worthy of particular mention, a pair of fat oxen purchased from Mr. F. W. Stone, of Moreton Lodge, and weighing 2,000 lbs each, and six fine heifers, purchased from Mr. John Sutton, of Eramosa.

ACCIDENT IN SALEM.—On Friday last an accident which came very near proving fatal, occurred to a young woman at Salem, a niece of Mr Daniel Quinlan of that place. While in the act of eating some fish at dinner, a large bone lodged in the entrance to the passage that conveys food to the stomach. Alarming symptoms of choking, and a suffocative cough immediately followed, succeeded by lividity of face, and partial unconsciness. Dr Griffith was promptly in attendance, and the poor girl was soon relieved from her critical state, by the bone being distodged and passing downwards to the stomach.

STOLEN.—There was work for the magistrates at Glenallan on Tuesday, the 7th inst. It seems that a stranger named James Tuck, from Blenheim, has laid an information, that having a note against Henry Powell, he called for the payment of it, staid all night, and in the morning when he got up, he found that his purse containing $72 in bank bills and notes of hand to the amount of $300, had been taken from his coat pocket, which he had placed under his pillow. Powell slept with him, which led to suspicion and caused his arrest. The case was adjourned in order to obtain the advice of the County Attorney.

CHAMPION SHOOTING MATCH. — A shooting match for $300 and the championship of Ontario, came off at Toronto on Thursday afternoon, between Mr. Ward, of Toronto, and Mr. Wilson, of Markham; fifty birds out of ground traps. The match was won by Ward by one bird, he having shot 41 out of 50, while Wilson shot only 40 out of 50. It is said that a Hamilton marksman is strongly of opinion that he can do better shooting than either of the above named gentlemen, and that he is likely soon to challenge the winner.

NEARLY POISONED.—Mrs. Stoneman of Hibbert was almost poisoned, a few days ago by eating a piece of maple sugar. It seems that some member of the family had left a quantity of sap in a copper boiler for a day or two, then began boiling in another kettle, at the same time pouring two pailfuls out of the copper kettle into the other. Mr. Stoneman's son noticed a yellow scum rise to the top of the boiling kettle. The boy called his father's attention to the circumstance, and they concluded not to take any more out of the boiler, but never dreamt there was "death in the pot." It was after eating a very small piece of sugar made from the sap containing the two pailfuls from the copper kettle, that Mrs. Stoneman was seized by symptoms of poisoning. The doctor was immediately sent for, but before he arrived Mrs. Stoneman took a quantity of mustard which caused her to vomit, and probably saved her life.

TROUBLE AHEAD.—There is an affair in Nassawageya which is likely to create some trouble as to boundaries. Some time ago Mr. John A. Peacock, of the 1st concession, wished to have the side line between lots 10 and 11 properly surveyed, and accordingly last summer Mr. Abrey P. L. S. of Milton surveyed it, and found that the original side line had been run wrongly, and should vary about four rods in half a concession. Mr. Abrey took the check line as the governing line of those running north and south of it, whereas the town line of Nelson and Nassagaweya had been taken before as the governing line. This will change all the sidelines as high as lot 17, and we understand that some parties are determined to claim the sidelines now used as private property and fence them in. S. B. Freeman Q. C. of Hamilton, has given it as his opinion that no length of possession of roads can give a title. In order to try the survey Mr. T. W. Cooper P. L. S. and County Engineer for South Wellington, was sent for on Friday last and did not move a stake planted by Mr. Abrey, but verified the former survey in every particular. We do not know what will come out of this "boundary" question, but feel satisfied it will cause considerable trouble and annoyance, and will not be settled in a day.—*Champion.*

☞ The owners of the gambling dens of Wiesbaden and of Hamburg, who are compelled to give up their establishments in Germany, have applied to the city of Geneva, in Switzerland, to obtain the privilege of opening similar institutions there. They offer, as a compensation, to pay the whole of the city debt, to build the lake wharf, and to rebuild a large portion of the lower town. The plucky little Republic will doubtless reject the offered bargain.

THE THEATRE TO-NIGHT.

The Townsend Dramatic Company arrived here on Saturday, and, as previously announced will appear in the Town Hall to-night. The play is a most interesting one; it is entitled "The Orphan of Geneva" and will be put upon the stage with every external accessory of scenery and costume that can add force and vividness. The principal male character will be taken by Mr. Townsend, sr., while the accomplished Miss Florence is cast for the most important female character to be represented. The play requires the full strength of the Company. The comedy "The Fast Young Lady, and her Stupid Lovers" completes a programme which promises a dramatic entertainment much beyond the ordinary. Tickets, the usual prices; and we imagine it very probable that a large audience will not consider the rates high in order to behold once more the performance of this highly respectable and talented Company.

VERY IMPROPER CONDUCT.—The Milton *Champion* says: On Thursday last a man named Baine, of Guelph, was sent over to Dakotah to take possession of the goods of Mr. G. Royce, Miller, who was insolvent. As he was intoxicated he acted in a very improper manner, and got into difficulty with the Messrs. Hawkins, employees of R. Thompson, the guardian of the estate, and also with a brother-in-law of the insolvent, Mr. Hopkins, whom he treacherously stabbed in the thigh with a budding knife. For this he was arrested and brought before Squire Foster at 3 a. m., and committed to jail. During the trial he acted in a very disorderly manner, and in the same treacherous manner struck Mr. T. L. White, of Kilbride, blackening both his eyes. Mr. White had assisted to arrest him. Baine was bailed out on Friday, and at once laid a charge of forcible entry and assault on Hopkins, T. L. White, the Hawkins, and a Mr. Danville. The case was tried before Messrs. McGuffin and Wilmott, at Thompson's Hotel, on Monday evening and resulted in the complete acquittal of the parties.

A WOMAN SHOT BY HER DAUGHTER. —The Lindsay *Post* tells of a fatal accident which occurred in Mariposa on Sunday, the 5th inst., by which Mrs. Horace Frankland was shot by her daughter. The dog was heard to bark, and on going to discover the cause the girl saw a lynx. She immediately told her father and he took out the rifle and fired at the animal, but missed it. The daughter went into the house for another gun, and, as she said in her evidence, "raised the hammer to examine the cap, and, as far as I remember, was going to put it down again when I heard the report, and Ma said, 'I'm shot.'" This was about 2 o'clock p. m. A neighbor, Mrs. Elliott, was sent for by Mr. Frankland, and quickly went to the assistance of the unfortunate woman, and found her lying in bed. She heard deceased say frequently that she blamed no one; that it was accidental. She died at 5:25 p. m. The iliac artery was severed and death was caused by internal hemorrhage.

WHAT THE FENIANS THOUGHT.—The news of the murder of Mr McGee created intense satisfaction among the members of the Fenian Brotherhood in New York. The New York *World* says that he was regarded by them as "a poisonous rattlesnake," and the same paper says that if he had been as judicious as the poet Tom Moore and retired into private life, his life would have been spared, thus admitting by inference that the deceased fell a victim to the hatred of these bloodthirsty scoundrels. The *Witness* in speaking of the feeling in Montreal, says: The grief for the assassination of Mr McGee is deep and general, there being only one class of the community that does not participate in it, namely, those who wished to aid a Fenian invasion and revolt two years ago. Among this class, the triumph and satisfaction is ill-concealed, if concealed at all.

THREATENING SUICIDE.—Mrs. Susan Charleton was charged before a magistrate at Brampton, on Friday last, with threatening to take her own life. She had provided herself with a bottle of laudanum, and when that was taken from her she produced a knife and attempted to stab herself. She had also a strong inclination to take the life of her husband. The magistrate sent her to gaol, whence she was not released until she had procured bail in the sum of $200 to keep the peace towards herself and her liege lord.

NOT THE FACT.—It was rumoured round town this morning that McGregor, not to be balked in his purpose of taking his own life, had taken the bandage off his arm last night and bled to death. The report is entirely unfounded, as the subject of it is fast recovering from the effects of his late indiscretion, to call it by a mild term.

A BIT OF A ROW.—They had a "grate time intirely" down about [illegible]'s tavern on Saturday night. One fellow got a blow on the head with a skull-cracker or some such instrument, which inflicted an ugly wound. Somebody will likely have to pay something at the Police Court to-morrow.

Assassination of Mr. McGee.

More Evidence against Whelan

The last news from Ottawa on Saturday is that further evidence against Whelan has been discovered by Detective Cullen. He found out that the house adjoining McKenna's (nearly opposite Mrs. Trotter's) has been for a long time unoccupied, that the doors have been left lying open; and that in the back door steps two tracks and two only could be traced. They were those of a man who entered and left the house by that way. Both boot marks corresponded precisely on being measured carefully, and Whelan's boots having been procured from the gaol were found to fit exactly in the bootmarks in the snow When asked for his boots this morning, Whelan sighed and was evidently upset, but said these were not the boots he wore on the night of McGee's murder. If Whelan committed this murder, and of that the authorities have hardly the least doubt, then his sudden disappearance immediately after would be readily accounted for. He could pass through the untenanted building directly on to Wellington street, and two minutes' walk would bring him to Russell's where he was seen immediately after the murder.

It is said to be capable of proof that after the debate on Monday night, Whelan was observed in one of the passages, partly behind a pillar, as if watching some one.

More Arrests.

Four more men were arrested on Saturday, but there is little against them. It is supposed they are deserters. Three were found travelling on foot four miles beyond Kemptville, and were arrested as suspicious persons by Gerrold, the constable, of Prescott. They admit that the officers were justified in arresting them under the circumstance, but do not appear at all apprehensive as to the result of their examination. The fourth is a young man named Timothy Haurahan, who on learning that the officers were looking for him gave himself up. The only charge against him is the utterance of foolish words while under the influence of whiskey, under which he becomes temporarily insane. With the evidence taken on Saturday the case for the Crown rests at present, and there is a lull in the proceedings of the authorities. Mr. O'Reilly, Crown prosecutor, is off to Kingston, and is not expected to return before Tuesday. The indications continue strong that some of the conspirators must have unbosomed themselves to the authorities.

Arrangements for the Funeral.

The members of the Ottawa Council were to attend Mr. McGee's funeral in Montreal in a body. The Mayor has also issued a proclamation requesting that Monday be kept as a general holiday, out of respect for the deceased, and to enable all desirous of doing so to attend the funeral. A number of prominent citizens of Toronto, and from other places left on Saturday to be present at the funeral.

Guelph Horticultural Society.

PRESENTATION TO GEORGE MURTON, ESQ.

On Saturday last a number of the Directors and members of the Guelph Horticultural Society met at Miller's Saloon for the purpose of presenting Mr. George Murton with a testimonial, as a slight token of their appreciation of his valuable and gratuitous services for the last seven years, as Secretary of the Society. Mr. David Allen, President, made the presentation, and read the following address, which accompanied the testimonial:

TO GEORGE MURTON, ESQ.,

DEAR SIR—The members of the Guelph Horticultural Society beg your acceptance of the accompanying Tea Urn, as a slight testimonial of their regard, and an expression of their feelings in connection with your valuable and gratuitous services to the Society for so many years as their Secretary; also being persuaded that your diligence and exertions have in a great measure tended to place the Society in the eminent position it now occupies. With our best wishes for your welfare, on behalf of the members.

I am, Dear Sir,
Yours truly,
DAVID ALLAN, President.

Guelph, April 11, 1868.

Mr. Murton expressed his heartfelt thanks to the subscribers for their valuable gift. It was true that when he was appointed Secretary of the Society it was at a low ebb, and what services he had rendered it had been given ungrudgingly, and from a sincere desire to see the Society prosper, and also from a desire to promote a taste for horticulture in the District. The Society, he was happy to say, now occupied a good position, and while he was connected with it he would willingly give all the assistance he could [redacted] is neatly engraved the following inscription: "Presented by the Members of the "Guelph Horticultural Society to George "Murton, Esq., as a Testimonial for his "gratuitous services as their Secretary."

Guelph, April 11, 1868.

WENT AWAY TOO RAPIDLY.—However anxious the dwellers in cities may be for the disappearance of the long winter's snow, there are others for whom it may disappear too rapidly. This, says the Ottawa *Times* [illegible] been just now verified throughout the whole timber region, where large numbers of logs are lying where they fell, and must do so till next winter, and even then many, no doubt, will be lost. We are informed that the lumbering interest will suffer greatly from this cause.

Le Journal de Québec [illegible] the reduction in the rates of [illegible] have been mailed in that [illegible] as many letters as during any month last year.

BY TELEGRAPH

Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

BY ATLANTIC CABLE.

Paris, April 11—The new army bill and other extraordinary war measures create great uneasiness throughout the country, and there is much murmuring and discontent, especially in the rural districts. The press are endeavoring to allay the excitement by saying the preparations are the best guarantee of peace.

Paris, Sunday, April 12—The *Moniteur* publishes an official report to the Emperor by Minister Pinard, in which an account is given of the military changes which have been made since the bill for the reorganization of the army has gone into operation, and of the effect which they have had upon the country. The minister states that all the reforms introduced in the Guarde Mobile in accordance with the provisions of that bill are now completed, and he asserts that these changes have been received with popular applause almost everywhere throughout the empire. He contradicts the reports of dissatisfaction and declares that the new army law is sustained and defended by the patriotism of the French people, who thus give a new proof of their confidence in the Emperor.

Southampton, April 12, evening.—The steamship *Union*, from New York, 2nd inst., arrived about four o'clock p. m., and after transferring London passengers and mails, sailed for Bremen.

American Despatches.

New York, April 12—The New York Typographical Society held an adjourned meeting last ev'g, and protested against the proposed introduction of printing into the Sing Sing prison.

The British brig *Hermas* arrived yesterday from Porto Cabello. The captain states that on 7th a very severe shock of earthquake was felt at Porto Cabello, raising a sea in the harbor so that nothing could be done in the way of loading or discharging for five days. Several vessels were capsized, but no serious damage occurred on shore. Such a shock has not been felt there for twenty years.

HAVE THE LAKES TIDES?

EXTRAORDINARY FALLING OF THE WATERS OF LAKE MICHIGAN.

The Detroit *Free Press* says: "The water in Lake Michigan is said to be five inches lower than has been known before for eighteen years, and thirty-six inches lower than it was six years ago. This calls to mind some curious facts in regard to the rise and fall of the lakes, and which for years has engaged the attention of the scientific men. While the lakes are subject to the same tidal influences which produce the oceanic tides; and while these influences must be felt, practically, owing to the comparatively small area of the lakes, there is no tidal ebb or flow of their waters, it being so slight as to be imperceptible. But for a period extending over fifty years other curious phenomena have been announced, and as yet, have not been satisfactorily explained. It has been ascertained that, with considerable regularity, there is a periodical ebb and flow in the lake, the water rising gradually from seven to nine years, and subsiding in the same manner, while at long intervals, the waters reach an unusually high and low stage, exactly corresponding with the rise and fall of the waters of the sea at the spring tides. Through a long period of years, this regularity has been noticed, but it is not incontrovertibly established, that it is in obedience to some undiscovered law, and, though very improbable, this succession of the high and low stages—if the term be admissable in this connection—may have been the result of accident. Another noticeable fact is that in the spring, at a period when the discharge into the lakes is the greatest, and when they are least affected by evaporation, the water is invariably the lowest. In the fall, under the subsidence of the spring freshets, and when under the full effect of the summer's drought, and after the evaporation has been the greatest, it is found that instead of any abatement in the volume of water in their basins, there has been a gradual rise during the entire summer. These are the facts, and although they have engaged the attention of scientific men, no solution has yet been reached. It has become apparent that the lakes are not affected by freshets, drouths or evaporation; but whether these phenomena are the effects of subterranean channels and outlets, a sort of mystic connection which brings the lakes within the influence of inter-oceanic currents, is still an unsolved problem."

THE PRESIDENCY.—The candidature of General Grant, as the Republican nominee at the coming Presidential election, is placed beyond doubt by the fact that twenty three of the States have held their District Republican Conventions, and appointed delegates to the Chicago Convention, and all without a break in the line, have pronounced for General Grant as their candidate for the Presidency. He is morally certain to be nominated by acclamation, without a dissenting vote. Whether Gen. Grant is the fittest person to occupy the Presidental chair is not the question but he is the most available. But when there, it may be found that he will be neither so silent or inactive as he has chosen of late to be. Some think that under his reticence and indifference lies a determination of the Cromwellian order.

NEW LIST OF INSOLVENTS.—The following insolvents are gazetted:—Philip Edgar, Napanee; James McNiven, Ingersoll; Patrick Largan, Toronto; Geo. Ringland, Montreal; Jacob Atkins, Milbrook; Henry Robinson and James Richardson, of Nichol; Robert Creamer, Belmont; John McKercher, Reach; S. Thoeight, Oshawa; Thos. Palmer, Ingersoll; John Smith, Toronto; James Grindly, Guelph; John Hatch, Woodstock; Noel Pratt, Montreal; James Clay, Thorold; John Hutton, Windsor; Charles G. Moore, London [illegible]