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

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J. MARRIOTT, Veterinary Surgeon, M. B., V. S., L., H. F., V. M. A. Having lately arrived in Guelph from England, and taken up his residence here, in tents continuing the office of his profession, orders left at the Registry Office, or at H. A. Kirkland's, Paisley Street, opposite Howard's new foundry, will be promptly attended to. Having had great experience in all diseases of Horses and Cattle, all cases placed under his treatment will receive the greatest attention. Charges moderate. (dw)

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J. H. ROMAIN & Co., Successors to Nelles, Romain & Co., CANADA HOUSE, General Commission Merchants. AND SHIPPERS. 26, City National Bank Building, Chicago, Ill.

References: Sir John Ross, Ban. & London, England; F. W. Thomas, Esq., Bank & Montreal. The Marine Company of Chicago, Brokers; Hon. John Carling, London, Ontario; Messrs. Galt Bros., Merchants, Montreal; Senator, Frank Smith, (Frank Smith & Co.) Toronto; J. Morton Miller, Esq., Perth, Ont. (late of J. M. Miller & Co., Commission Merchants, Chicago); Walter Watson, Esq., Banker, New York; D. Butters, Esq., Montreal; Joseph Whitehead, Esq., M. P., Ont.; Chas. McGill, Esq., M. P., Hamilton, Ontario; T. C. Chisholm, Esq., Toronto; Samuel B. Foote, Esq., Quebec.

New Advertisements.

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

HOUSE TO LET.—To let a house in Oxford street, rear of Dr. McGuire's. Apply to Mr. Hugh Walker or at Anderson's Bookstore. (dw)

SEWING MACHINES FOR SALE.—For sale, several first-class Sewing Machines, different makers, all new, cheap for cash. Apply at the Mercury Office. (dw)

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

CARPENTERS AND JOINERS.—Wanted, a man capable of running a three-sided moulting 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., with 11 acres, planted with fruit trees, half mile from Government Farm. Apply to A. G. THORBURN, Guelph, April 9, & (dw) Guelph P.O.

BUILDING SITE FOR SALE.—In town, well cultivated, well fenced, 41 acres, spring creek running across, as well as fruit trees, frame stable, &c. Terms easy. For particulars, apply to Robt. Macdonell, No. 124 Block, McMillan St. (dw)

BLACKSMITH AND APPRENTICE Wanted immediately, a Journeyman Blacksmith. A good hand only need apply. Also, an apprentice to the Blacksmith business. Apply at once, Guelph, 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 Horsman, or William Day. Guelph, Feb. 12, 1873. (dw)

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

A HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.—At the west side of the Exhibition Ground, on the London Road, ten minutes walk from the Post Office. Terms cash. Apply to JOHN KIRBY, No. 124 Block, McMillan St. (dw)

BATTERY ORDER.—Head Quarters W.F.B., April 22nd, 1873. The Right Division will assemble for Drill at the Drill Shed, on THURSDAY EVENING, at 7:30 p.m. sharp. J. H. MACDONALD, Captain. (dw)

NOTICE.—The undersigned having disposed of his business to Messrs. J. & R. Miller, all parties indebted to me either by Note or Book Account, are requested to call and settle the same forthwith. JOSEPH BRADLEY, Guelph, April 21, 1873. (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. 3rd Guelph, April 22nd, 1873. (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 be done at his stall, No. 7, in the Market. Always on hand, besides Fresh Meat, Sugar-cured 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, Buckeye, Chills, Peach Blows, Kidneys, and all other kinds, wholesale and retail. Will be sold as cheap as they can be bought on the market, and delivered in any part of the town. JAMES HEVER, Grain Warehouse, Macdonnell-st. East, Guelph, April 16, 1873. (dw)

OFFICE AND RESIDENCE Directly opposite Chalmers' Church, Quebec street, Guelph. Dr. Brock having returned from the South will attend to all professional calls as usual. GUELPH STEAM DYE WORKS, Upper Wyndham Street. The subscriber is now prepared to execute all orders entrusted to his care, in the most efficient manner that will gain the confidence of the public in general. DYEING and STAINING done within two to six days. Feathers cleaned, dyed and curled. Kid Gloves dyed at 25c per pair. N.B.—Mourning done on the shortest notice. All orders sent by express will be promptly attended to. SAMUEL McDONALD, Guelph, March 5, 1873. (dw)

FREDERICK STURDY, GUELPH, ONT., CANADA is now prepared to supply **Eggs for Hatching** From his FIRST PRIZE and IMPORTED BIRDS, of the following varieties: Dark and Light Brauns, Partridge and White Coblins, White-faced Black Spanish, Black Red Game, Spangled Gold and Silver Hamburgs, Grey Dorkings, Hough and Aylesbury Ducks. A few birds for sale at reasonable prices. Guelph, Mar. 19, 1873. (dw)

50 ACRES OF LAND FOR SALE IN PUSLINCH. Northwest Quarter of Lot 27, Con. 1, 9 miles from Guelph, 2 from Merriston or Aberfoyle, and 1 from Brock's Road; comfortable house, and large lot barn and stables. Will be sold cheap, and on liberal terms of payment, or town property will be taken in exchange. Apply through Guelph Post Office, box 161, or to Messrs. Hark & Siders, Guelph. (dw)

REMOVAL of **The Guelph Bookbindery** (Late Thornton's) To the Corner Building, (ground floor) in St. George's Square, near Montreal Bank and Old English 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)

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 BEANS, PEARL 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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THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 24, 1873.

Town and County News.

SOLD OUT.—The proprietor of the *Harbison Tribune* has sold out to Mr. J. Robertson, late of Drayton. The paper changes hands on May 5th.

Y. M. C. A.—The exercises for this evening consist of a Recitation by Mr. J. W. Cooley, a Solo by Miss Clark, and an Essay by Mr. Patterson. This is the monthly public meeting and is open to all.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH.—Quite a large congregation attended the service in the above church last evening to hear the Rev. W. S. Darling, of Trinity Church, Toronto, who gave a very eloquent and earnest sermon. To-night the Rev. J. P. Dumesnil, Rector of St. Thomas', Hamilton, will be the preacher.

GRAND DISPLAY ON SATURDAY NEXT.—A. O. Bucham of the Fashionable West End, announces that he will exhibit for the approval of his Customers a full representation of all the latest New York and London Styles, and cordially invites the Ladies of Guelph to have a look through his splendid show rooms on that day.

Local and Other Items.

SMASH UP.—There was a smash-up on the G. W. R. at Merriston on Tuesday night; a freight train having broken loose and run into another. Nobody hurt.

STEADY DEATH.—About noon on Wednesday, while Dr. James A. Rolls, of Chatham, was taking lunch in the Terrapin restaurant, he fell on the floor in a fit, and expired in a few moments. He had been in feeble health for some time.

CABLE TARIFF.—Atlantic cable telegrams from the 1st of May will be charged six shillings (\$1.50) per word. The reason for this increase is the limited facilities for transmission, caused by the interruption of communication by the French cable.

ATTEMPTED BURGLARY.—An attempt was made to enter the house of Mrs. Dill, Market Street, Galt, on Saturday morning last, by some burglariously disposed persons, who were, however, scared by some College boys boarding at the house, who gave the alarm.

WOMAN FOUND DEAD.—On Tuesday morning, about five o'clock, Mrs. John McLeellan was found dead from Simcoe Street, London, a short distance from her own house, which she had left a few minutes previously. It is stated that she deceased, although hard-working and industrious, was addicted to intemperance which hastened her end.

TEMPERANCE MEETING.—On Monday evening one of the most enthusiastic and influential temperance meetings held in London for years, took place in Spottiswood Hall. Every available space in the Hall was taken up, and standing room could not be obtained, while a large number had to go away, not being able to obtain admittance.

DROWNED.—A young gentleman named Wilson Howard, from Grantham, England, temporarily residing in Omeme, was found drowned in a dam near that place, on Wednesday morning. He was subject to melancholy fits, and it is supposed that under the influence of one of these, he "fell" into the water. An inquest was held, and a verdict returned to that effect.

DEBRIAM RAILWAY.—A special meeting of the County Council of Grey has been called by the Warden, for the purpose of considering the petition of certain ratepayers, who ask that a sectional by-law, granting a bonus from the Townships of Egremont and Normandy, under the grouping scheme, may be submitted for the approval of such townships. The Council met on Tuesday.

THE INFIRMER AGAIN.—Several hotel proprietors were brought before the Toronto Police Magistrate on Wednesday morning, charged with selling liquor after hours on Saturday night, and on Sunday. They each produced a letter from G. A. Mason, the informer, stating that they had better call on him and compromise matters, than appear before the Police Magistrate. They, however, elected otherwise, and it is intended to make it hot for Mason.

LIBEL CASE.—A libel case of some interest has just been concluded at the Toronto Assizes. Mr. Holiday, agent for the Ontario Mutual Farmers' Association, continued his advertisement stating that he was agent. Beside this, the Company inserted another advertisement, stating that he was not agent, nor in any way connected with the Company. This con-

stituted the alleged libel, as being calculated to injure the character of Mr. Holiday and M. C. Cameron were engaged. The jury returned a verdict for plaintiff—\$500 damages.

RESULT OF THE RUNNING DOWN OF THE "NORTHWEST."—The public, says the *Daily News*, will learn with satisfaction that the Board of Trade are about to bring in a Bill for the purpose of making such conduct as that of the captain who ran down the "Northwest" and left her to her fate a criminal offence.

THE MEANEST MAN.—A contemporary thus claims the meanest man in the world; New York city boasts of the wickedest, but Almond has the meanest. There is a man here, a rich man, a Christian man, (we should think he lacks the Christian spirit), who dunned some time ago he was insolvent, but his mother owed him before she died! If any one can beat that, trot him out.

ELOPEMENT.—An elopement is reported from Aljinston, in the Township of Brooke, in which two hitherto respectable residents are concerned. Mrs. Sutton left with G. J. Jane for the States, without consulting her lawfully wedded husband, and her paramour narrowly escaped a coat of tar and feathers, previous to quitting the scene of his exploits.

FRAUDULENT.—A man named Duncan Jackson, having a small country store near Woodville, was before the Toronto Police Magistrate, on Wednesday morning, on a charge of making a fraudulent bankrupt statement. It appears that some time ago he was insolvent, but asked extension and gave security, which has since proved to have been bogus. Several merchants in the city have suffered by his tricks. Before the official assignee yesterday he threatened to punch the heads of his creditors if they continued the prosecution. He is a hard case.

THE EXPLOSION IN LONDON.—THE INQUEST AND VERDICT.—The coroner's inquest upon the bodies of the unfortunate victims of the recent boiler explosion, at Hyman's tannery, was concluded on Monday night, and resulted in the finding of a verdict, charging the foreman and engineer of the establishment with being directly responsible for the occurrence. The verdict is, to all intents and purposes, one of manslaughter against George Horner, foreman of the establishment, and George Vincent, the engineer, both of whom were immediately after the verdict was returned, arrested on a coroner's warrant, and kept in custody in the office of the chief of police.

SMART COW.—The *Galt Reformer* says a cow in Sheffield accomplished a wonderful feat on Friday last. She was in a stable and having been robbed of her young, was determined to make her exit. The door being closed and having no other means of getting her freedom, she deliberately walked up a winding stair, and reached the floor above. She was then seen looking out of the window and seemed determined to get out. The window was then closed and while help was coming to take her down, she walked down herself and arrived at the bottom safe and sound.

REASON IN DOGS.—Here is a proof that dogs have the power of reasoning. A sagacious canine at Rumney, N. H., lately pursued a woodchuck, which continually foiled him by running through a drain. When he had played that trick two or three times, the dog gave him a rest in the drain, and trotted over to a neighbour's and brought another dog, a frequent sharer in his youthful sports. Stationing his companion at one end of the drain he entered the other and stared up Mr. Woodchuck, who started again for daylight, only to be grabbed by the faithful sentinel. If this isn't reason, what is it?

RUSSIA AND THE KHIVANS.—The British Government affects to believe that it has received positive assurance from the Cabinet of St. Petersburg that the Khivan campaign will be brought to respect the arrival where this semi-official statement is likely to give a clearer indication of the purposes of the Russian Government than was probably intended at the time it was written. A telegram from St. Petersburg states that the approach of the hostile armies has produced great trepidation in Khiva. The Khan, in his effort to appease the enemy, has adopted the unnecessary expedient of executing the chief councillor who instigated him to opposition, and the influential enemies of Russia have been imprisoned. What ought to be more effective is the release of the Russian prisoners who have been held as prisoners in Khiva. In these acts, however, we can see but little reason to believe that the progress of the expedition will be obstructed. The Khivans have abandoned their spirit of opposition, and the march is continued, and it is believed that the Khan is likely to gain by submission in a state of semi-independence similar to that already imposed on several other conquered chiefs of Central Asian tribes.

CANADIAN SHIPPING.—British trade reports for the last year show that the total tonnage of United States vessels entering Great Britain and Ireland was 846,559 tons. In the same time there entered and cleared three times that amount of Canadian bottoms. This is a striking commentary on the imperfections of our laws, which repress and destroy, instead of fostering and building up a great merchant marine which our extensive ocean coasts, with their thousand gulls, bays and smaller indentations so favorable, and which the nature of our chief products naturally suggest. Canada has ninety thousand seamen. She ranks third among the countries of the world in the extent of her tonnage—England being first and our country second; but our Northern neighbors are fast gaining upon us so that obviously, unless wholesome legislation shall induce a change in the current of trade, we must soon rank after Canada as a maritime nation.—N. Y. Herald.

Kingsmill, of the Toronto Mail, is going to sacrifice himself as "special emigration commissioner for the Dominion," at a good pay salary and a free trip to Vienna. How those Tory editors to suffer for the cause!

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES

Distinguished Visitors.

Remored Suicide.

The Tichborne Trial Again.

The Riots at Frankfort.

Affairs in Spain.

The Case of Stokes.

Terrible Murder.

A Mother Kills her Two Children and Roasts Them on the Stove!

The Maud Merrill Murder.

The Modoc War.

London, April 23.—There is a rumor in London this evening that the Earl de la Warr has committed suicide.

The trial of the celebrated Tichborne claimant, on a charge of perjury, began to-day.

The extensive Biscuit Factory of Reek & Frier, was destroyed by fire to-day. Loss very heavy.

London, April 23.—The Czar with of Russia, and his wife, the Grand Duchess Marie Dagmar, will visit London sometime during May.

Frankfort-on-the-Main.—It was expected that the persons incensed at the price of beer would renew their riotous demonstrations yesterday, and the military guards throughout the city were strongly reinforced. The rioters, however, were overawed by the increased number of troops, and up to this morning have remained quiet. It is now believed that there will be no more disorder.

Madrid, April 23.—Permanent Committee of the National Assembly held session to-day. The Ministers were present at the meeting, and hopes are now entertained that an agreement will be reached between these two branches of Government.

Gen. Pavia has resigned the Captain Generalship of Madrid.

Armed troops promenaded the streets of the city during the day, as though trouble of some kind had been apprehended.

All the shops were open. There was a great assemblage outside of the Hall of Congress, where the Permanent Committee is in session, but there was no disturbance.

The National Guard occupied a strategic position, and is held in readiness for any emergency.

New York, April 23.—Judge Davis, of the Supreme Court, to-day granted District Attorney Phelps's motion to set aside the allegations of error made by Mr. Stokes' attorneys. This decision materially lessens Stokes' chances of obtaining a new trial and occasioned considerable sensation.

New York, April 24.—Robert P. Bleakley, who shot and killed his niece, Maud Merrill, in a house of ill-fame, said yesterday when called to plead:—"I am guilty. I killed my niece. I am not innocent, and if it was wrong to kill her I will suffer the consequences."

New York, April 23.—This evening Mrs. Annie Hennessy, 26 years of age, wife of George Hennessy, a respectable shoemaker, on Third street, during a fit of insanity killed her two children, George, aged three years, and Francis, aged five months. The mother, who for some time had been afflicted with religious mania, had choked and then roasted their bodies on the stove. She was sent to the Hospital.

Atchison, April 23.—A correspondent of the *Daily Champion* writing from Arkansas city, says that a man named Thompson arrived there on the 20th, who states that on the 11th inst. he was robbed by a band of Indians near Medicine Lodge Creek, and his four companions killed. While at Caldwell he was told that nine others were killed on Medicine Lodge Creek, by the Indians, about the same time his camp was attacked.

San Francisco, April 23.—A despatch from Portland, Oregon, to-night, says the Indians on the Upper Columbia, Snake and Lewis rivers are well posted on the Modoc affairs, and are indulging extravagantly in war paints and war dances. Their conduct is menacing. The troops in Eastern Oregon will probably prevent the distance from the sea board would, owing to the cost of transit, prevent it from being used largely for the transportation of the coarser cereals. He then in a very cautious manner alluded to the bogus character of the Canada Pacific, and the absurdity of supposing that even the pretended Directors would risk their money in it, much less the shrewd capitalists of Great Britain. He was expressing his preference for the Government building the road themselves, when Sir John Macdonald rose and with the journals of the House in hand, read the resolutions of 1871, which settled in what way the road should be constructed, and charged Mr. Wood with having then supported the policy of the Government.

Mr. Wood, however, showed he had not voted in favor of any such proposal, and turned the tables on his adversary.

At the evening sitting of the House a number of Private Bills including the Grand Trunk Railway Arrangement Bill, were passed.

The House then discussed at some length a Bill, Res. 11, a felony and misdemeanor, introduced by Mr. Glass, and one relating to the condition of navigable streams and rivers particularly the Ottawa, brought in by Mr. Cartwright.

Mr. Tremblay's Ballot Bill was on the paper, but stood over.

BEWARE.—Kiss a woman if you will; tread on her corn if it makes you happier; stay to eleven o'clock when you call, if you prefer it; or even criticise her bonnet with severity; but, as you value your peace of mind, and her happiness, you let her back hair alone.

DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

OTTAWA, April 23.

The whole of the afternoon sitting was devoted to a discussion raised by Mr. Charlton, the member for North Norfolk, upon a resolution in favour of a more thorough survey of the Dominion lands and the distribution of information likely to promote immigration from Europe. Mr. Charlton, in a very able and exhaustive speech, showed the necessity for more vigorous efforts in favour of the free settlement of the North-west. He remarked that in the seven years ending January 1st, 1873, the influx of emigrants into Canada had amounted to only 145,209 persons, or 20,714 per annum, while the United States had in the last seven years received 2,800,000 immigrants, or at the rate of 325,000 per annum, 50 per cent. more in proportion to her population than Canada. He then went on to argue that the care taken by the United States Government to explore and survey all new territories and to make their resources and attractions known far and wide was one great cause of their success in attracting immigrants. He commented at length on their extensive organization for this purpose, and on the beneficial effect in encouraging the settlement of free grants combined with a liberal homestead law. He deprecated the policy of granting large blocks of land to the Railway Companies, and then at some length criticised the proposed arrangements with respect to the land subsidy to the Pacific Railroad and a proposal to alienate so enormous a tract of fertile land from free settlement, or discourage its early occupation by imposing a high upset price of \$2 50 per acre.

Mr. Grant followed and energetically supported the views of Mr. Charlton, alluding to the deposits of coal, till lately unknown in Nova Scotia, and as recent enquiries he believed had proved of iron in the Ottawa Valley.

Mr. D. A. Smith gave some interesting information as to the Fertile Belt and North-west generally. He alluded to the large deposits of coal and iron, and the large supply of timber, the favorable climate, and the facilities of access to the region by water communication. He believed that a steamboat would in a few months be able to reach a point not more than 200 miles distant from the Rocky Mountains. He was assured the Northern Pacific would connect with Pembina during the coming summer, and did not despair of the Fort Garry branch of the Canadian road being completed by the end of the year. A homestead law, he explained, was already in force, and land was being granted for free settlement.

After short addresses from several members, Mr. E. B. Wood then rose, and in a long speech vigorously attacked the Pacific Railway scheme of the Government, as hostile to the settlement of the country, and in other respects prejudicial to the public interests of the country. He said that it was unnecessary and unsafe to wait for the completion of the railroad before adopting some measures to promote settlement on a large scale. The progress of the Intercolonial, a much smaller and easier work, indicated that the Canadian Pacific must take many years in accomplishment. He differed altogether from the popular view, that the United States was largely indebted to the railway companies for the numbers of emigrants that resorted thither. His view was that it would have been far better if the Government had undertaken to build the railroad themselves, and settled the land on a free grant system. They were all agreed substantially with the mover of the resolution, but the question really was, how could they best give effect to their wishes? He ridiculed the absurd and exaggerated estimate of Sir John A. Macdonald, that there were three hundred and fifty millions of acres of fertile land in the North-West, and challenged the Minister of Justice to furnish proof of the truth of his assertion. He (Mr. Wood) did not believe there could be over one hundred million acres, to which they could invite settlers to flock, whilst the best authorities he could find stated it at only from fifty to sixty millions. He went on to show that by the Pacific Railway Charter the selection of the land fit for settlement was practically limited to the area known as the fertile belt, and he wanted to know what, after the Company's acres of nearly sixty millions of acres was granted, there would be left for that free settlement they all professed to be so desirous of encouraging. He illustrated the inexpediency of delegating the duty of settling the national lands to companies by reference to the Huron tract, as contrasted with some districts where settlement had been left to its free course. Instead of conceding a monopoly of powers to great corporations, he would rather have to aid immigrants in reaching the lands they are desirous of settling upon. He gave an outline of his views with respect to the opening up of communication with, and in, the North-west country, and pointed out that even if a railroad were constructed, owing to the cost of transit, prevent it from being used largely for the transportation of the coarser cereals. He then in a very cautious manner alluded to the bogus character of the Canada Pacific, and the absurdity of supposing that even the pretended Directors would risk their money in it, much less the shrewd capitalists of Great Britain. He was expressing his preference for the Government building the road themselves, when Sir John Macdonald rose and with the journals of the House in hand, read the resolutions of 1871, which settled in what way the road should be constructed, and charged Mr. Wood with having then supported the policy of the Government.

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DEAR FODDER.—Hay was sold in the Sarnia market last week for twenty-six dollars a ton!