A despatch just received states that London papers comment very freely on the present state of affairs in Cuba. The Telegraph says that in regard to the independence of Cuba England is unbiassed, unless there is interference with Cuba on the part of the United States, which latter country appears to be very anxious to have a hand in the quarrel between Spain and her dependency. The Owl is still more decided in its tone. The articles in these journals are significant, dicating that if America interferes without rightful cause in the interest of a trumpery rebellion, Spain will not stand alone in opposition. THE ENGLISH PRESS ON CUBA

#### Adulteration of Seeds.

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Complaints are often made that the practice of seed adulteration is becoming, very common—more particularly in England and the States, where the facilities for doing so are greater than in Canada. Even in this country, however, there have been instances of mixing good and bad seed, and a case of this kind was tried at the late Assizes for Wellington. On the other side of the lines, there is a coloring process resorted to, which makes seed of an indifferent variety appear so good, that experienced sowers are taken in by the deception, and don't find out their error till the crop comes up, when it is generally too late to remedy the matter. The London Times of the 15th ult. contains a letter from Charles Sharpe, Esq., Seedsman, Sleaforth, England—a relative of the Meesrs. C. & A. Sharpe, of this town—in which he exposes some of the tricks resorted to by unprincipled seed sellers. He says it is not uncommon for them to mix large quantities of inferior German rape seed (which has the appearance of English grown turnip seed, proviously steamed and kiln-dried to destroy its vitality, with good turnip seed, to three of turnip seed. The rape seed to three of turnip seed. The rape seed to three of turnip seed amples of clovers are dyed for the purpose of mixing with clover seed of greater value, and trefoil (a cheap and inferior kind of clover) is also killed and dyed for the purpose of adulteration, but it exists in nearly every kind of seed.

Through the exertions of Mr. Sharpe and other honest dealers, a bill has been introduced into the British Parliament providing that killing or dyeing seeds shall be an offence punishable by a fine not exceeding £50 and costs; and for after offences increased fines and penalties are to be enforced. There is hardly any-doubt that the measure will carry, and the evit of seed adulteration be promptly checked.

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The practice complained of here is carried on to a limited extent in Canada, and the best way for farmers—to whose interest it is that they should procure good seed—is to deal with those houses where reputation for fair dealing and first-class stock is unquestioned, and to buy no seeds at hap-bazard. Horticulturists will also do well to be careful as to when they purchase from, and save themselves a great amount of pecuniary loss and annoyance.

THE NOVA SCOTIA ELECTION .-Mr. Howe's majority according to the latest returns is over 400. Killam is elected for Yarmouth. Levisconte is elected for Richmond, with a majority of only 30 over Henry.

The Goderich Signal, speaking of the Rev. Mr. Camelon, of St. Andrew's church, who is leaving that town, says he is a preacher for the times, carnest, pithy, pushing and effective. He preaches an excellent sermon, and knows when to stop. Oh that all clergymen knew-as much in this respect!

The Welland canal was opened on Wednesday.

#### HOTEL ARRIVALS COULSON HOUSE,

COULSON HOUSE,
GUELPH, April 22, 1869.
The following are the arrivals at the
Coulson House up to 10:30 this morning:
Jas Slater, London; J P Grant, Montreal;
George Keating, Galt; Mrs. Keating and
family, Galt; Henry Dalley, Hamilton; W
Currie, Montreal; Robert Reid, Waterloo;
H McCormick, Ottawa; John J Jordan, St.
Catharines; R G WatSon, Montreal; W Rupell, Mt Forest; J F Seller, Toronto; Jas F
Lyon, Toronto; Joseph Fisher, Clinton; J
A Wilks, Montreal; Robt Hutcheson, Hamilton; George Hunter, Galt; D Nishe, Montreal; Oliver Dow, Montreal; Jolin Grant,
Bradford; W Quebeck, Bradford; John
Bradd, Montreal; Mrs. Bradd and family,
Montreal; W Stewart, Clifford.

#### BIRTHS.

REED—At Guelph, on the 20th ms. , the wife of Mr. Nahum Reed, of a daughter.
BAILEY—At Harriston, on the 9th inst, the wife of Mr. James Bailey, of a daughter.
CHANDERS—In Moult Fovest, on the 11th inst., the wife of Mr. J. mes Chambers, of

a son.

DEANS—At Fergus, on the 9th inst., the wife of Mr. John Deans, of a son.

Kerne—In Elora, on the 10th inst., the wife of Mr. William Kerr, of a son.

HENNIBERE—At Aboyne, on the 10th inst., the wife of Mr. James Henniberry of a

Calkins—At Stirton, on the 7th inst., Mrs. Calkins of twins—boy and girl.

FOOTE—In Elora, on the 11th inst., the wife of David Foote, cf a son.

#### MARRIAGES.

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REED—NICHOL—At Bloomsbury, on the 19th inst., at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. Mr. Wilkinson, Mr. Nathaviel Reed, to Mary, second daughter of Henry Nichol, Esq., Nassagaweya.

GILLEAT—GIREN—By the Rev. J. M. Bates, at his own residence, in Hilsburg, on the 13th inst., Mr. Charles Gilleat, to Miss Sarah Green, both of Erin.

MITCHELL—HUNTER—At the residence of the bride's father, on the 31th ult, by the Rev. A. G. Holmes, Mr. Robert Mitchell, farmer, to Janet, fourth daughter of Mr. Hunter, all of Arthur.

WOOD—GENFIFIT—At the residence of the bride's father, on the 16th inst., by the Rev. W. Barrie, Mr. Thomas Wood, to Matlida, eldest daughter of Jas. Griffith, Esq.

ALEXANDER—BARNIART—At Fergus, on the 14th inst., by the Rev. G. Smellie, Mr. Andrew Alexander, to Miss Olivia Stillwell Barnhart, both of Eramosa.

#### DIED.

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Fyre—In Minto, on the 15th inst, the infant daughter of Mr. Robertson Fyle.

David, the infant son of Mr. Alex, Davidson, aged 'n weeks.

Marrix—On the 5th inst, at the residence of Mr. John Martin, Month Forest, aged 24 years. Deceased was a native of Londonderry, Ireland.

Boorn—In Detroit, Mich., on the 14th inst, Hattie Florence, daughter and only child of Hettie L and James S. Booth, formerly of Gaelph, aged 10 months and 4 days.

#### New Advertisements.

HOTEL TO LET AT ELORA.

The good-will and three years lease of the FARMERS' HOTEL, ELORA, (late James Hamilton's stand). Apply on the premises to the sub-HENRY HARRISON

SERVANT GIRL WANTED.

anted, in a small family, a tidy, active ser-t girl to do general housework. Comfortable te and good wages paid. Apply at the Mercury ce, Guelpher april 21 d6 w1

CARE TAKER WANTED.

Applicatior's will be received by the undersign ed up till the 28th April for the situation of care taker of the steam fire engine, to clean and light the lamps in the South and West Wards, and to take charge of the Drill Shed, Market Clerk's Office and Police Court. Salary—250 per annum with free house, wood and light.

JOHN HARVEY, Town Clerk. Clerk's Office, April 21.

DLANTING SEASON FOR 1869.

FRUIT TREES of the different kinds, recom-mended by the Fruit Grower's Association of Canada. ORNAMENTAL TREES. GRAPE VINES, very hardy. STRAWBERRY PLANTS, 12 varieties of best

CURRANT AND GOOSEBERRY BUSHES of al the leading kinds. Inspection invited. Call at the Guelph Nursery. NOAH SUNLEY. Guelph. 21st April. Guelph, 21st April.

### BAZAAR.

St ANDREW'S CHURCH

Will be held by the LADIES OF THE CONGRE-GATION, in the TOWN HALL ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY,

MAY 5th & 6th, 1869,

When a variety of USEFUL AND FANCY ARTICLES, CHILDREN'S CLOTHING, &c., will be offered for sale at very moderate prices.

Dinner and Tea will also be served on both days,

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GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.

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ON AND AFTER MONDAY, 26th APRIL, 1866 trains will leave Guelph as follows:

LEAVE 6:25 a. m., 4:15 p. m. Arrive 11:45 " 9:40 "

Connecting with frains on Main Line. For particulars see Time Tables, to be had any of the Company's Offices on application.

THOS. SWINYARD,

Chief Office, Hamilton, 21st April, 1869.

GUELPH

#### STEAM POWER SODA WATER MANUFACTORY

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Day's Block, late Petrie's Drug Store

Hats, Caps, Furs, &c.,

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Guelph, March 15, 1869. 3md&w

WHITEWASHING AND WALL Doi: ... w WILLIAM DAVIS, Waterloo Street, reas of Messrs. Robins and Tolton's granary, ar the Grand Trunk Station.

Guelph, March 51 do 8m

PEACH BLOW

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akes this opportunity of informing his old friends and the public generally that his Stock is now Complete in every Department, embracing everything

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# Though we were successful at the late Provincial Exhibition, we were determined to make a much better lastrument than before, and with that end in view secured the services of some of Prince & Co's very best worsement best in Canada. Besides the substitute of the best in Canada. Besides the substitute of the best for the best for the best substitute of the best American makers together with a number of valuable improvements of our own. We therefore confidently affirm that they are much superior to any made elsewhere in Canada, and at least qual to any made in the United States. All instruments are warranted for five y'rs, and perfect satisfaction guaranteed. Factory and Warronoms—in the old Gore Bank building, East Market Square, Guelph. April 21. W. BELL & CO. MILLINERY AND MANTLE SHOW ROOMS

The Millinery and Mantle Show Rooms will be opened in a FEW DAYS. Something extra may be xpected. Wait for the Navelties

PHILIP BISH,
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