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A Capital Farm.

Likewise there is a farm of 90 acres of the best land in the county, and the best cultivated, and will produce more per acre this season than any farm of its size in this county. Three barns and feeding stable and log house are on the farm. Also a running spring creek, and other springs that never fail. The fences are of board and new. The farm is laid out in ten acre fields. All the farm implements are new, and will be sold if desired at valuation

As the proprietor is retiring from business he offers to the public a property, the advantages of which are seldom enjoyed by one man in business The whole will be sold without reserve within three months, either the business separately, or the whole property as may be agreed upon to suit the purchaser.

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JAMES O'NEIL, Proprietor.
Guelph, Aug. 29. dawtf

GREAT POWERS
Are always neutral in small squabbles.

SO IT IS WITH
PREST & HEPBURN
In the leather war now going on between their opponents on the south side of Wyndham-st.

WE do not believe in bosh and bunkum, but deal with facts, and leave the verdict in the hands of the intelligent people of Wellington. We are prepared to prove, and we positively affirm, notwithstanding all the puffing and blowing which has become the order of the day, that PREST & HEPBURN, Wyndham Street, Guelph, manufacture more

BOOTS AND SHOES

And employ double the number of Workmen of any other establishment in the County of Wellington. We invite the public to call and look through our Factory, and they will be convinced that we are telling the truth, and nothing but the truth.

A great deal has been said for and against machine-made Boots and Shoes. Now we believe, and we are confident that every well-balanced mind in Wellington will agree with us, that the less machinery used in manufacturing Boots and Shoes the better. All our staple Boots and Shoes are made by hand, which must be admitted is far superior to any machine made Goods. We have now on hand the largest and best assortment of Boots and Shoes ever offered to the people of Wellington, which we will sell as cheap as the cheapest

Remember that all our work is warranted, and no second price. Repairs done as usual.

PREST & HEPBURN.
Guelph, 2nd November. dw

18 FALL IMPORTATIONS. 68
Wools, FANCY GOODS
TOYS, &c.

JUST Arrived, an Immense Stock of Berlin, Zephyr, Saxony, Andalusian, Lady-Betty, and Fancy Wools. English, Scotch and American

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A Splendid assortment of Braids, Frillings Ruffles, and General Fancy Goods.

A great variety of Slippers and Slipper Patterns, Ottomans, &c.

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Juvenile Clothing always on hand and made to order.

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J. HUNTER,
Opposite the English Church, Wyndham-St
Guelph, September 12th. dw

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Macdonnell St., GUELPH, ONT.

H. MARRIOTT

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Saddle Horses,
Horses and Buggies
Commercial Waggons

At the shortest notice. Also, a large

PLEASURE WAGGON!
FOR PIC-NICS.

Guelph, 19th June d06m

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AND JEWELER
DAY'S BLOCK,
Opposite the Market Guelph.

A GOOD Assortment of the Best English and Swiss Lever Watches. Reference can be made to respectable persons who have carried his Watches from one to twenty-five years each.
Guelph, September 9th. dw

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FRESH OYSTERS!

OF the best quality always on hand, and served up in all styles at short notice; also for sale by the keg or can. The Bar is supplied with Liquors, Wines, Ales and Cigars, of the choicest brands, likewise with the favorite drink, "Tom and Jerry." ☞ LUNCH between the hours of 12 noon and 3 p. m.

DENIS BUNYAN.
Guelph, 17th October. d

OPENED THIS DAY,
A LOT OF
CHEAP CLOUDS,
— IN —
WHITE,
BLACK,
SCARLET,
GREY and
FANCY.
ALSO—
JOB LOTS,
At 37½c. and 50c. worth double the money, at
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JOHN BUNYAN begs to inform his friends and the public that he has leased the above Hotel, in the BRICK HOUSE, MACDONNEL-ST., a few doors above Higinbotham's Drug Store, and immediately opposite Messrs. Sharpe's Seedstore. There is a good stable attached to the house, with good and commodious stabling. Every attention will be paid to customers in order to secure their comfort and convenience. The best of liquors and cigars always kept at the bar. Good accommodation for Boarders by the week at reasonable rates
Guelph, July 13th. dwly

EUREKA!
Money Saved is Money Gained

SAVE YOUR MONEY by purchasing at the GREAT CLOSING SALE of
MISCELLANEOUS & SCHOOL BOOKS,
STATIONERY
and FANCY GOODS,
WALL PAPERS
and Berlin Wools, now going on at
Shewan's Old Stand
Wyndham Street, Guelph.

Goods are being sold at wonderfully Low Prices. The subscriber has just returned to town with a large assortment of NEW BOOKS, purchased at Auction, and other cheap sources, which he will sell at low prices. Every person is respectfully requested to call and examine the stock. Trouble and attention never considered, as long as customers are accommodated and satisfied.

These sales afford a good opportunity to purchase reading for Winter, at low prices.

J. B. THORNTON.
Guelph, Nov. 2, 1868. paw tf

Something New!

JUST RECEIVED at the Dominion Store, a very nice assortment of
Men's Underclothing,
and Socks, also,
Ladies' Breakfast Shawls
Stockings of all colours, of the best quality made and can be bought cheap.

BERLIN WOOLS.

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Stamping and braiding done to order.
MRS. ROBINSON.
Guelph, Oct. 15 1868. dwtf

STRAW AND FELT HATS.

The subscriber begs to announce to the ladies of Guelph and surrounding country that in addition to the Straw Bonnet and Hat making she is prepared to do all kins of Felt work.

MISS HARRISON, next to Mr. Romain's.
Guelph, 19th Nov. d12

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PRODUCE GREY HAIR AND BALDNESS.
The use of
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Will restore it to its natural color and promote its growth. Our Treatise on the Hair sent free by mail.

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October 31st. dwlm

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FOR THE CURE OF
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And all diseases that lead to it, such as Coughs, Neglected Colds, Pain in the Chest, and all Diseases of the Lungs.

AS AN EXPECTORANT IT HAS NO EQUAL.

It has now been before the Public for a number of years and has gained for itself a

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Physicians recommend it in their practice and the formula from which it is prepared is highly commended by Medical Journals. Call at the Druggists and get a pamphlet. Every Druggist sells the Balsam.

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Nov. 17. dw3m Montreal P. O

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ENTITLED
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The whole forming a most attractive Music Book for Juvenile Classes, Schools and Seminaries, and one that cannot fail to be admired by all Teachers and Scholars. Price 50c. Sent post-paid

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Evening Mercury.

OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET

FRIDAY EVENING, NOV. 27. 1868.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

Fifteen new stores, and about forty new dwellings have been erected in Listowell in the course of the past season.

A large woollen factory belonging to Mr. Colton, of Gananoque, was destroyed by fire on the 20th inst., Loss $9,000; insured for two-thirds of that amount.

The county council of Middlesex passed a resolution antagonistic to the renewal of sectarian grants, which when read before the House by the Attorney General was greeted with loud applause.

Thomas Daniels, a driver on the Brockville and Ottawa Railroad, while assisting a new hand to uncouple some cars—another driver performing his duties—was run over by the train and cut to pieces.

SILVER.—Mr. Weir, of Montreal, has made new proposals for the exporting of silver. London is thinking of aiding him, a committee having been appointed at a meeting of the Board of Trade of that city to canvass for subscriptions of the obnoxious coin. It is expected that $100,000 will be raised.

The Georgia Minstrel Troupe were left in the lurch at Hamilton by their manager. They had not been paid for some weeks before, and on this eventful night the treasurer and the only white performer in the Company bolted, taking all the funds along with them. The troupe got assistance to take them on to St. Catherines where they were advertised. They are said to be deserving of patronage.

A young man named J. McCue was shot at Collingwood on Wednesday evening by a man named Winch. It appears that several young men blackened their faces and proceeded to the house of Winch to rescue a girl, who was said to be kept there against her will. A row occurred and the shooting of McCue was the result. He died at 12 o'clock on Thursday. The parties implicated are now in custody.

The fact that Mr. O'Reilly, who has thus far so ably conducted the Whelan prosecution, is not retained by either the Dominion or Local Government of Ontario to manage the case in appeal causes a good deal of surprise among all classes here. It is known that Mr. O'Reilly proceeded as far as Kingston on his road to Toronto, but stopped there — but whether from choice or necessity is unexplained.

Joshua Long and Mary Nichols, the man and the other man's wife, who recently eloped from Ailsa Craig, and were afterwards arrested at Chatham, were brought before the Police Magistrate in London, on Wednesday. Mr. Nichols was present, and generously offered Mrs. Nichols forgiveness of her trespasses, if she would promise to run away no more. She gave the pledge and was restored to love and the old spooney. Long was obliged to go to gaol until he had accumulated sufficient funds to pay a fine of $5 and costs.

The following certificate is from the Rev. Mr. Hogg, of St. Andrew's Church, Guelph, as another evidence that Dr. Briggs performs his operations without pain:

Guelph, Oct, 28th, 1868.

I have great pleasure in stating that Dr. Briggs, has extracted several corns from Mrs Hogg's feet without pain. I heartly recommend him to any afflicted with this disease and I hope that my suffering friends will avail themselves of his services.

JOHN HOGG, Minister,
St. Andrew's Church, Guelph.

Dr. Briggs may be found at Coulson's Hotel on Friday and Saturday the 27th and 28th Nov. from 7 to 10 a. m., and 1 to 10 p. m, Corns, Bunions, Bad Nails, Chilblains, and all diseases of the feet skillfully and successfully treated without pain. dw.

News from New Zealand.

The Galt *Reporter* says:—Several most important letters have been received during the past week from former residents of this locality, who, during the past two or three years, have emigrated to New Zealand. The substance of these letters discloses a very sad state of affairs in the far away Colony to which the steps and eyes of so many of our farmers and others have of late been directed. The natives are everywhere committing the most atrocious deeds—not alone destroying the homesteads of the fleeing farmers, but sparing neither sex nor age that fell into their hands from the most horrible tortures. The Volunteers and Government troops have so far failed in their efforts to check the depradations of the natives; and the inhabitants of the inland towns and sections are everywhere fleeing to the sea-coast towns for safety. So far, we believe that all from this section have escaped with their lives; but the property of Mr. Wm. Dickie has been totally destroyed, and all his stock driven off. He had but just completed the erection of a large house, which he was compelled to leave to its fate on the advance of the natives, and it was burned. The male members of his family all belonged to the volunteers, and the females, who had retreated for safety to Wauganui, were in a state of great distress on account of their absence. Later advices, however, state that they had all arrived in safety at the same place. The Middlemiss family had also suffered the total loss of their homestead. When it was found that the natives were advancing the female portion of Mr. Middlemiss' family were removed to a place of safety, and the property evacuated, and later events proved that this was not done a moment too soon, for on returning to the farm two or three days afterwards, it was found to have been utterly sacked—the buildings all burned, and the stock that they had been unable to drive off hewed and hacked to pieces. Mr. A. Middlemiss belongs to the Militia, being ensign in one of the corps, and being out with his company endeavoring to secure provisions, they were fired upon by the natives, and a man sitting in the same dray with Mr. Middlemiss was shot dead. Nothing that we are aware of has been heard from Mr. James Dickie's family; but as they have all settled in the same district it is feared that his property has also been destroyed. The natives are rapidly gathering force; and it is feared unless the most prompt and energetic steps are taken by the Government, assisted by the settlers that some of the more advanced settlements will be overrun by the natives.

From Ottawa.

Ottawa, Nov. 26.

A petition against grants to denominational colleges, in Ontario, is in course of signature at Ottawa. Two hundred names are already attached, representing the wealth and intelligence of the city. It is expected that some thousand names will be procured.

Sir John Young left New York on Thursday, and will reach Prescott tomorrow, where he will be met by Sir John A. Macdonald and other Ministers. His Excellency will arrive here by the afternoon train. The public are invited by proclamation to be present at the station to receive him; but as he will not be sworn in till Tuesday, the presentation of addresses is not to take place until that day. The judge will swear in the Governor-General in the Senate Chamber.

Slattery, Doody, and Kinsella, confined in gaol here on a charge of Fenianism, were liberated yesterday on bail. Duggan and Callaghan were bailed out today. Callaghan was at once remanded on the charge of assaulting Lewis, the turnkey. He will be brought before the police magistrate to-morrow.

Death of John Miller, Esq.

The Dumfries *Reformer* says:—It is our painful duty to announce the death of John Miller, Esq., Solicitor which occurred suddenly yesterday morning about a quarter to ten o'clock. Mr. Miller contracted a severe cold during last week, and in consequence had been somewhat indisposed for several days past. On Monday he was confined to the house, but yesterday morning he felt somewhat improved and intended to go down to his office as usual. While in the act of completing his toilette, however, he was seized with what seemed a fainting fit from which he did not recover. The cause of death we understand to have been heart affection, caused by a heavy coating of fat upon that organ. Mr. Miller has been a resident of Galt for about 33 years, and at his death was 56 years of age. His death will be heard of with regret by a very large circle of friends and acquaintances, in every part of the country.

ANOTHER LANDMARK GONE.—It will be observed by our obituary column today that an old and much respected citizen, formerly of this place has crossed "that bourne whence no traveller returns." We refer to the late Mr. John C. Wilson, or "Long John," by which name he was familiarly known in this section. He settled in Guelph in 1832, and took an active part in the settlement and welfare of this locality. In his day he also did much to enhance the interests of the agriculturist, by way of importing thorough-bred stock. He died in Hamilton yesterday, and his remains will be interred in the Guelph Union Cemetery tomorrow (Saturday) at 10 a. m.

The following from the Rev. Mr. Carroll, is another evidence that Dr. Briggs is skilful in his profession. Read and consider whether you could be relieved or suffer for years with needless pain:

St. Catharines, Oct. 13, 1868

I have great pleasure in saying that Dr. Briggs has, in a painless operation of a few minutes, relieved and corrected a tendency of my great toe-nails to grow downwards, from which tendency I have often suffered a great deal of pain.

JOHN CARROLL,
Wesleyan Minister.

Dr. Briggs can be consulted at Coulson's Hotel on Friday and Saturday the 27th and 28th Nov. Those who suffer from Corns, Bunions, Bad Nails, Chilblains, and other foot diseases may shortly find relief without pain.

M. D. Sweeney fell into one of the Star Company's oil tanks, at Petrolia, on Monday night, and was drowned.

The *World* insinuates that Indian summer has been delayed in consequence of fighting on the Plains.

A single copy of the Vicksburgh *Republican* contains 173 notices in bankruptcy

Legislature of Ontario.

TORONTO, Nov. 26.

A number of petitions were received in favour of superior education, that of the Fergus Grammar School Trustees being presented by Mr. Ferrier. Several Bills received their first readings.

Mr. Wigle enquired of the Ministry whether moneys accruing to the late Province of Canada, relating to the Seignorial Tenure in Lower Canada, now the Province of Quebec, are included in the matter of arbitration, now under reference between the two provinces.—Whether they intended to insist on a settlement with the Municipalities in Ontario, who borrowed on the credit of the Municipal Loan Fund, and are in arrears in respect thereof.

Hon. Mr. Wood replied that the matter referred to would form a subject of the arbitration. As to the Municipal Loan Fund credits, no doubt payment in full would be made.

Mr. Clarke's motion in reference to Collegiate education was left over for discussion till next Wednesday.

The House again went into Committee on Attorney-General Macdonald's Bill respecting elections of members of the Legislative Assembly.

After considerable discussion several clauses of the Bill were amended, when the Committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Wood, the report from Committee of the Whole on the Bill to amend the Act relating to the collection, by means of stamps, of fees of office, dues and duties payable to the Crown upon law proceedings and registrations, was concurred in, and the Bill ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.—Carried.

On motion of Attorney-General Macdonald the House went into committee on the Bill to diminish the sittings of County Courts and Quarter Sessions, to abolish Recorders' Courts, and for other purposes.

After some discussion, the committee rose, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

On motion of Mr. Coyne, the Bill (No. 55) relating to the execution of discharges of mortgages, and deeds of conveyance by married women, was read a second time, and referred to committee of the whole on Tuesday.

Dr. McGill, in an able speech, moved the second reading of the Bill to amend and consolidate the Acts relating to the profession of medicine and surgery. He moved that the bill be referred to a select committee, composed of Messrs. Wood, Baxter, Boulter, Gow, Lount, Beatty, Rykert, and the mover. The motion was agreed to.

The Bill of Mr. Trow, amending the Jury Law, was read a second time and referred to a special committee.

Mr. Clarke moved the second reading of the Bill to repeal the statutory enactments respecting the protection of sheep from dogs. He said the House might allow the second reading now, and take the discussion in committee of the whole.

The order was allowed to stand.

The House adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

THE END OF THE GALT REVIVAL.—The Revival work which has been going on in Galt for the last ten weeks is still progressing. The movement owed its inception and continued life to Mr. Douglas Russell, who preached his farewell sermon in Knox Church on Thursday evening of last week. Some of the resident ministers of Galt, for reasons of their own, had seen fit not only to decline taking part in the revival, but to warn their hearers against some of the doctrines sought to be inculcated by some of those who did. Mr. Russell took umbrage at this, and in the course of his valedictory took occasion to deal out to those gentlemen an overflowing measure of vituperation, which, while it did them no harm, does not appear to have augmented the respect of the people of Galt for the zealous Revivalist. His accusations were extremely bitter, and his language not such as is generally supposed to be prompted by a christian spirit. It is evident that with his own hand he has done much to efface the good impression which his presence and active labours had made on many of the people of Galt.

REPORTED CONSPIRACY TO RESCUE WHALEN. — The *Telegraph* is out this morning with a report that there is a conspiracy on foot for the rescue of Whalen. It assures us that it is making no effort to be sensational, that the plot has been concocted, and that, beyond doubt, there will be an attempt made to carry it out. It says: "Since his conviction there has been a gang of ruffians organized in Montreal for the special purpose of attempting his rescue. Since the prisoner has been brought to this city the portion of the gang here have been devising some means for his rescue. Whether they have settled on a plan is as yet unknown; but that they intend making the attempt is beyond a doubt. They are men who will stop at nothing. They have sworn to preserve Whelan's life at the risk of their own, and they are desperate enough to keep their word. The prisoner's time is drawing short. On December 10th, he is to be hanged, should a new trial not be ordered; so that the conspirators have no time to lose. They must make the attempt now or never. At the gaol twenty or thirty such men, fully armed, might accomplish much, while the city was sleeping. The gaol is in a quiet place—far removed from assistance in case of necessity—and its doors might be battered in and the prisoners released before help could be sent down." It appears that a number of notorious roughs have left Montreal for Toronto, and it is suspected that the intent of their visit is not good.

A telegram was received in Ottawa on Wednesday by the Mayor from New York, stating that Sir John Young would arrive on Friday, and would have much pleasure in being received in a public manner. The reception procession is to embrace the city officials, members of the Government, volunteers, the various societies, firemen, etc. It is not certain, however, that Sir John will arrive this week at all, in consequence of the inability of the Judges to leave Toronto in order to swear him in before Saturday evening at the earliest.

In a recent lecture on the gorilla, in New York city, Dr. Lemercier startled the audience by saying that no living gorilla had been seen outside of Africa. This effectually disposes of the Barnum humbug gorilla, whose ashes are supposed to be not far from Broadway and Grand streets.

BY TELEGRAPH

PER ATLANTIC CABLE.

Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

MASSES FOR THE EXECUTED FENIANS.

DUBLIN, Nov. 26.—Requiem masses were celebrated in Cork and Queenstown for the repose of the souls of the Fenians who were executed at Manchester. In both cases a great demonstration was made. There was no interference on the part of the authorities. Good order was maintained.

SPANISH ELECTIONS.

MADRID, Nov. 26.—The provisional government has appointed the 18th of December as the day for holding the election for the Constituent Cortes.

COLLIERY EXPLOSION.

WIGAN, England, Nov. 26.—A terrible explosion has occurred in the Arley Mine Colliery. Three hundred men were in the pit at the time, most, if not all of whom have perished. 133 bodies have thus far been recovered. Hundreds of relations of the dead are gathered at the mouth of the pit and the scene is heartrending.

THE ENGLISH ELECTIONS.

LONDON, Nov. 26.—Riots have occurred at Langton and Brampton in the County of Cumberland. The military were called out to suppress the disturbances, and quiet was restored. The following candidates for Parliament have been elected without opposition:—The Marquis of Lorne, the Right Hon. Chinchester Fortescue, Liberal and the Right Hon. Henry T. L. Corry, Conservative. Lord Elcho is returned from Haddingtonshire, Mr. Geo. Traill, Liberal, from Caithness, and Major Hamilton, Liberal, from South Lancashire The total number of members now elected is 615, politically divided as follows:—Liberals, 367; Conservatives 248. Liberal majority, 119.

American Despatches

New York, 27th.—The *Herald's* Havana special says: Advices from Santiago de Cuba to Nov. 20th states that the insurgents are within six miles of Santiago de Cuba. They allow four days for that city to surrender. The governor of the district has a large force at his command, and he proposes attacking the insurgents.

The *World's* special says: Secretary McCulloch has nearly completed his annual report, and has fixed upon his estimates of revenue to be raised for the next fiscal year at $250,000,000

The President will give in his annual message a full history of the negotiations for the settlement of the Alabama claims.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27th.—The *Times'* special says the outline of the *Alabama* settlement as given in the despatches last night is correct. The statement that England is to have two Commissioners and this Government but one is incorrect as is also the statement that the Commission disagree and are themselves to choose an arbiter. They are invested with no such power. Each Government is to have two Commissioners and when they cannot decide a case unanimously the two Governments are to select an arbiter. There is considerable surprise expressed here that the alleged protocol agreed upon between Mr. Johnson and Lord Stanley should by its first article give England an opportunity to compel the settlement of all the counter claims she chooses to prefer as growing out of the war. This conceded and one hundred and fifty millions of Alabama claims will be more than counterbalanced by the claims of British subjects for alleged damage to and seizure of neutral property by our army and navy should this provision prove to be as broad as indicated. The chances for the ratification of the treaty by the Senate are very small, for Congress will never accord to a neutral whose sympathies were probably against us such a mode of redress, while our own citizens at the South, be they ever so loyal, are debarred by law from prosecuting like claims against the Government in their own Courts.

EXCITEMENT AT KINGSTON,

DESPERATE ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE FROM THE PENITENTIARY—ONE CONVICT SHOT.

The *Globe* of to-day says:—Great excitement prevails in Kingston this morning on learning that a plot had been discovered and frustrated at the Provincial Penitentary, and that the effort had been attended with the loss of life. The deceased convict was known as Christopher Murray, and had been sentenced for a period of ten years, over eight of which had transpired. He was not one of the Fenian prisoners though associated with them in the plot. At the inquest to-day, the following evidence was given by Henry Connolly, a guard. "Was on duty last night and the early part of this morning; was in the south wing, and about a quarter to one o'clock one of the guards came running to him, and said, 'Look out; the prisoners have broken out of their cells; he looked up the gallery above, and saw one of the prisoners endeavouring to cut the rope of the alarm bell; called out to him to surrender, and ran up-stairs after him; when witness arrived there the convict was gone, and witness followed in the direction he thought he had taken; it was in the south-west range, came down then into the fourth range and looked over the railing and saw the convict endeavouring to pick the lock of the wicket door leading out of the dome; called again to him to surrender; he did not answer, when witness fired a round out of his revolver, but the convict still persisted in his object, when witness fired a second round; the convict then gave over and ran down the west, and witness followed and found the convict on the ground floor lying on his back, his feet towards the stove; he was not yet dead; witness then gave the alarm to the Warden, and told him that one of the convicts was shot; the Warden came down with witness, and as soon as the Warden saw the convict, he sent for Mr. Halliday. the hospital-keeper, who came in a few minutes, and gave it as his opinion that the man was dead; could not tell whether his was the fatal shot, as there were other shots fired by the guards; upon examination of the deceased, false keys were found on his person; the rope of the bell was cut and fastened to the banister to prevent it making a noise by its fall."

At dinner to-day the convicts were in a state of intense excitement, and every precaution was taken to prevent an outbreak.

Financial matters are improving in New Brunswick, and confidence is being gradually restored. The St. Stephen Bank paper is now taken at 90c to 95c. It is considered that the Bank will resume.