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## BUSINESS CARDS.

### DR. BROOK

RESIDENCE  
The Stone House opposite Davidson's Old  
Marble Yard, Elora Road.  
Guelph, Oct. 19, 1871

### OLIVER & MACDONALD

BARRISTERS and Attorneys-at-Law  
Solicitors, Notaries Public, &c.  
Office—Corner of Wyndham and Quebec streets,  
Guelph, Ont.  
OLIVER, J. R. A. H. MACDONALD, dw  
Guelph, Oct. 27, 1871

### AUSTIN C. CHADWICK

BARRISTER and Attorney-at-Law, Solicitor  
in Chancery, Notary Public, &c.  
Office—Corner of Town Hall Buildings, Guelph,  
Guelph, June 24, 1871 dwif

### STEPHEN BOLT,

ARCHITECT, CONTRACTOR and BUILDER.  
Plans for Mill, and every kind of Joiner's  
Work prepared for the trade and the public.  
The Factory is on Queen Street, Guelph,  
March 17, 1870 day

### GEORGE PALMER,

BARRISTER and Attorney-at-Law, Solicitor  
in Chancery, Notary Public and Conveyancer  
Office, over H. Harvey & Co's Drug Store—  
corner of McDonnell street  
Guelph, 17th August. dw

### WILLIAM HART

CONVEYANCER Land and General Agent,  
Negotiator of Loans, &c. Office hours from  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Office: No. 4 Day's Block.

### FREDERICK BISCOE,

BARRISTER and Attorney-at-Law, Solicitor  
in Chancery, Conveyancer, &c., Guelph,  
Office—corner of Wyndham and Quebec streets,  
Guelph, August 3, 1871. dwly

### GUELPH ACADEMY

WILL OPEN ON MONDAY, JAN. 8, 1872  
COMFORTABLE Accommodation for a few  
Boarders.  
Terms of application at Dr. W. B. Bookstore,  
Guelph, Dec. 28, 1871 dw

### GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN,

Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law,  
Solicitors in Chancery.

### GUELPH, ONTARIO.

GUTHRIE, J. WATT, W. H. CUTTEN, dwly  
Guelph, March 1, 1871

### F. STURDY,

House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter

### GRAINER AND

PAPER-HANGER  
Shop next to the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham  
street,  
Guelph, Feb. 27, 1871 dwly

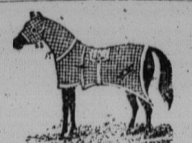
### NELLES, ROMAIN & CO.

CANADA HOUSE,  
General Commission Merchants  
AND SHIPPERS,  
34 South Clinton St., Chicago, Ill.

REFERENCERS:—Sir John Rose, Banker, London,  
England; F. W. Thomas, Esq., Banker, Montreal;  
The Marine Company of Chicago, Bankers; Hon  
John Carter, Esq., London, Ontario; Messrs. Gault  
Bros., Merchants, Montreal; Senator Frank  
Smith, (Frank Smith & Co.) Toronto; J. Morton  
Miller, Esq., Perth, Ont. (late of M. Miller &  
Co., Commission Merchants, Chicago); Walter  
Watson, Esq., Banker, New York; D. Butters,  
Esq., Montreal; Joseph Whitehead, Esq., M. P.,  
Clinton, Ont.; Chas. Magill, Esq., M. P., Ham-  
ilton, Ontario; T. G. Chisholm, Esq., Toronto;  
Samuel B. Foote, Esq., Quebec. July

### Soden's Public Cab.

THE Subscriber having purchased Mr. D  
Coffee's splendid Cab begs to inform the  
public that it will be at their service at all  
times, either by the hour, the day, or any other  
way, at the most moderate charges.  
It will attend all the regular trains, also Con-  
certs and Balls, and can be engaged for Mar-  
riages or Funerals on the shortest notice.  
Orders kindly permitted at Mr. Harvey's  
Drug Store, Parker's Hotel, and Brewer's West-  
ern Hotel.  
A careful and steady driver always with  
the cab. A share of public patronage respectfully  
solicited.  
Orders may also be left at the Owner's Grocery  
Store, Upper Wyndham Street.  
R. SODEN, dtf  
Guelph, Oct. 19, 1871



### JOHN SPIERS,

Veterinary Surgeon  
(Member of the Ontario Veterinary College.)

### Hirsch's Union Hotel,

Do. Do. GUELPH dwlin  
W. M. FOSTER, L. D. S.



### SURGEON DENTIST

GUELPH.  
OFFICE—Over E. Harvey & Co's Drug Store  
corner of Wyndham and Quebec streets,  
Guelph.  
NITROUS OXIDE (laughing gas) adminis-  
tered for the extraction of teeth WITHOUT  
PAIN, which is perfectly safe and reliable.  
References kindly permitted:—Dr. Herod,  
Clarke and Tuck, McGuire, Keating, Cowan,  
McGregor, and Bessy, Guelph; Drs. Fattillo,  
Hezlet, Mullan, and W. K. Graham, Dentist,  
Brampton.  
Guelph Dec. 23, 1870

### PRIZE DENTISTRY

DR. R. CAMPBELL.

### LICENTIATE OF

Dental Surgery.  
Established 1864.  
Office next door to  
the Advertiser Office,  
Wyndham Street, Guelph.  
Residence opposite  
Mr. Bolt's Factory,  
Quebec Street.  
Teeth extracted  
without pain. References—Drs. Clarke & Tuck,  
McGuire, Herod, McGregor and Cowan,  
Guelph; Drs. Buchanan & Phillips, Toronto; Drs.  
Elliott and Meyers, Dentists, Toronto.  
G. Campbell, 15th Aug. 1871. dwly

### DOMINION SALOON

FRESH OYSTERS  
IN EVERY STYLE.

Supplied with all the delicacies of  
the sea in a first-class manner.  
The Bar will be found the choicest  
brand of liquors and cigars.  
DENIS BUNYAN, do  
Guelph, Nov. 21, 1871

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SATURDAY EV'NG. JAN. 13, 1872

### GUELPH TIME TABLE

Trains leave Guelph as follows  
Grand Trunk Railway, East  
8.10 a.m. 7.35 a.m. 11.04 a.m. 3.45 p.m. 6.50 p.m.  
For the West  
2.00 a.m. 9.50 a.m. 5.55 p.m. 8.30 p.m.\*  
This train only goes to Berlin.  
Great Western—Guelph Branch  
Going South depart at 6.50 a.m. 1.35 p.m.  
and 4.55 p.m.; also by mixed train every Tues-  
day, Thursday and Saturday at 1.40 p.m.  
Going North, depart at 11.45 a.m., 4.55 p.m.,  
and 9.05 p.m.; also by mixed train every Mon-  
day, Wednesday, and Friday at 1.05 p.m.  
Trains leave Harrison every morning at 10  
a.m., reaching Guelph at 1.15 p.m., and in ad-  
dition a mixed train every Tuesday, Thursday,  
and Saturday at 9 a.m., reaching Guelph at 1.40  
p.m. The train which passes Guelph going  
north at 11.45 p.m., runs every day to Clifford,  
arriving there at 3.15 p.m., and a mixed train  
which passes Guelph every Monday, Wednesday  
and Friday at 1.10 p.m., reaches Clifford at  
5.00 p.m.

### Gas Consumers!

Pay your rents on or before Monday,  
the 15th inst. and save the 20 per cent.  
discount. Payments to be made at the  
Company's Works.  
D. GUTHRIE, President

### Town and County News

BAIN'S Hotel, Elora, had a narrow  
escape from fire on Sunday morning last.

CURLING.—The Hamilton, Fergus and  
Guelph clubs are playing to-day in  
Guelph.

EVENING CLASSES.—A special reduction  
to young men taking three months  
course at Mr. Martin's evening classes.

No. of Deaths in the Township of  
Minto for the year 1871, 47; Births, 134;  
Marriages 22, according to Registration  
returns.

A Curling Club has been organized  
in Harrison. Messrs James Moore, R.  
Arbuckle, Archibald Johnston, and  
George Lee, were elected skips.

WE congratulate Mr. McLachlan, of  
the St. Thomas Home Journal, on his  
election as Mayor of that place. He  
well deserves the honor.

ROCKWOOD AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.  
The annual meeting of this Society  
takes place at Stone's Hotel, Rockwood,  
on Wednesday the 24th, at 2 p. m.

SOME FISH.—Mr. J. T. Brill the other  
day bought on the Guelph market eight  
hogs from Mr. Snider, Waterloo, aver-  
aging each 110 lbs for \$5.40 per 100 lbs.

RECEIVED A CALL.—The congregation  
of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church,  
Berlin, have given a call to the Rev.  
James F. Dickie, late of Greenock, Scot-  
land.

CENTRE RIDING AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The  
Annual Meeting of this Society  
will be held in the North American  
Hotel, Fergus, on Saturday, 20th inst. at  
2 p. m.

HEAVY TRAINING.—Mr. J. Martinson,  
an extensive farmer near Guelph,  
teamed some 1,500 bushels of barley,  
of his own growing, to Guelph, since the  
sleighing commenced.

SOIREE.—In Acton a Soiree will be  
given in the Wesleyan Church, Acton,  
on the evening of Wednesday, the 31st  
inst. The Acton Choir are preparing  
some choice music for the occasion.

MR. GEO. ROBINSON, lately elected  
Councillor for West Garafraxa, has re-  
signed his position, as he finds he is dis-  
qualified by law, being bondsman and  
partner of the Treasurer of the Town-  
ship.

CONCERT IN ERIN.—A concert will be  
given in the Drill Shed, Erin Village, on  
Friday evening, 2nd of February next,  
to raise funds for the purchase of in-  
struments for a brass band to be formed  
in that place. A band from Guelph and  
several amateur singers will assist.

ACCIDENT.—A son of Mr. J. Foster,  
of Garafraxa, was precipitated into a  
well on Friday, the 5th inst.  
One foot was badly bruised, his hand  
was torn with a nail, and his internal  
injuries were considerable. He is how-  
doing better than expected.

NARROW GAUGE SURVEYS.—This  
line is now located all the way from  
Harrison to Wrexeter; and two trial  
lines are run from Mount Forest to Har-  
rington. The only difficulty that presents  
itself is in the rough country within 3  
miles of Mount Forest.

HO! FOR BRITISH COLUMBIA.—Mr.  
Isaac Modeland, the well-known agricul-  
tural implement manufacturer, of the  
Irvine Foundry, shipped sixteen wrought-  
iron beam ploughs, and six Mowing and  
Reaping Machines, from Elora, yester-  
day, for Mr. Wm Dalby, British Colum-  
bia.

KNOX CHURCH.—The Ladies of Knox  
Church intend holding their annual  
annual soiree on the 23rd of Janu-  
ary, further notice will be given by ad-  
vertisement next week. The Sabbath  
School Anniversary will be held the fol-  
lowing evening.

ACCIDENT.—We regret to learn that  
Mr. James Young, M. P. for South Water-  
loo, on Tuesday last met an accident at  
Galt. He was present at the Curling  
match between the Galt and Guelph  
clubs, and falling on the ice, hurt his  
left ankle so badly that he will be de-  
tained in the house for sometime.

GIANTIC BUSINESS.—Clifford has been  
doing a wonderful business this week.  
The streets have presented a crowded  
appearance, equal to Guelph. The  
average quantity of grain purchased per  
day has been about 7,000 bushels, above  
\$1,200 has been received at the station  
for freightage during the week.

KILLED BY THE FALLING OF A TREE.  
—We regret to learn that Thos. Cross,  
a labouring man living in Ermosa, was  
killed yesterday (Friday) by the falling  
of a tree. The deceased was cutting

cordwood on the farm of Mr. Jas Bolton,  
and a tree at which he was cutting fell,  
and crushed him, killing him instantly.  
Deceased leaves a widow and a large  
family.

### COOL BURGESS ON MONDAY EVENING.

The great Cool Burgess and troupe  
will give an entertainment in the Town  
Hall, on Monday evening. As a negro  
troupe and character delineator Cool  
Burgess is one of the best of his kind  
in the shade, while his troupe is  
said to be an excellent one, all the  
members being first-class profession-  
als in their particular role. They will  
doubtless be greeted with a large audi-  
ence.

RUNAWAY.—On Friday night, about  
nine o'clock, as our reporter was per-  
ambulating Arthur street, he was startled  
by meeting a horse with an empty car-  
riage attached, tearing along at a fearful  
pace. Not being of a courageous turn  
of mind, he made no attempt to stop its  
career. When last seen the animal was  
making up the Ermosa hill, playing  
the devil's tattoo on the dashboard with  
his heels in "a fine style." We could not  
find out who the horse belonged to.

UNFORTUNATE RUNAWAY IN CLIFFORD.  
—As Mr. Thos. Carroll, son of Mr. John  
Carroll, of Mars, East Garafraxa, ac-  
companied by his cousin and two other  
friends on a visit to a relative near Clif-  
ford, were driving into that village on  
Wednesday last, the horses took flight,  
upsetting the occupants and one of the  
horses coming in contact with a sleigh  
on the road, broke its breast bone and  
died shortly after. The horse was a  
young and favorite one, the owner hav-  
ing recently refused \$150 for it. None  
of the party were hurt.

PAINFUL ACCIDENT.—On Saturday  
afternoon last a serious accident occur-  
ed on Mr. McNight's farm in Beverly.  
While a number of men were engaged  
in cutting wood with a circular saw,  
the saw flew in pieces—one portion of  
it striking Mr. Joseph Parker and rip-  
ping his hand up to the wrist between  
the second and third fingers, while six  
or seven of the teeth penetrated the  
fore-arm causing deep wounds. Dr.  
Walker, of Dundas, was sent for and  
dressed the wounds, and we learn that  
Mr. Parker has since progressed favor-  
ably.

FIRE IN ORANGEVILLE.—A fire broke  
out in a row of tenement houses on Wel-  
lington street on Sunday morning, and  
ere the flames could be suppressed a large  
two-story rough-cast building, owned  
by Mr. D. Thompson, and occupied by  
Messrs W. Murphy and A. McDonald, a  
small frame building, owned by  
Eden Mills, and occupied by Mr. W. Rose,  
and two small frame dwellings, owned  
by D. Thompson, and occupied by Messrs  
J. McClellan and J. Hadden, were com-  
pletely consumed. The five families by  
whom these houses were occupied, lost  
the greater part of their effects. The  
total loss is estimated at \$2,500.

GUELPH FIRE BRIGADE.—On Wed-  
nesday the Brigade received their half  
yearly pay, and elected their officers for  
the ensuing year (with the exception of  
Chief Engineer Bish and Assistant  
Alex. Bruce). They are: 1st foreman,  
Bernard McTague, 2nd do, Geo. Daniels,  
3rd do, Jas. Hawkins, 4th branchman,  
Jas. Curtis, 2nd do, Duncan Campbell,  
5th do, Horning, 4th do, Robert  
Beard. Secretary and Treasurer, James  
Frestine. The members afterwards  
enjoyed themselves at an oyster supper  
at the Queen's Hotel, and the evening  
was pleasantly spent by the company in  
songs, speeches, &c.

THE WAVERLEY MILLS, STRATFORD.  
—We are glad to see from the Beacon  
that our old friend, Mr. James Wilson,  
of Eden Mills, is prospering in that  
place. It says:—For some weeks past  
Mr. James Wilson, the well-known pro-  
prietor, has been engaged in renovating  
and refitting with new and improved  
machinery the oatmeal mill near the  
railway station, known as the "Waverley  
Mills," and on Friday last, the finishing  
touches having been given, the mill was  
put in operation in the presence of a  
number of invited guests. Mr. Wilson  
has acquired more than a provincial  
reputation as a manufacturer of oatmeal  
and flour, and in his new and splendidly  
fitted mill we have no doubt his fame  
will still further extend. The "Athol-  
brose," with which Mr. Wilson regard-  
ed his guests was pronounced superb, and  
elicited elegant encomiums.

GUELPH TOWNSHIP AGRICULTURAL  
SOCIETY.—The Annual Meeting of this  
Society was held on Friday, the 12th  
inst., at Ellis' Hotel. The attendance  
was somewhat limited, it being under-  
stood that the business to be transacted  
was of a formal nature. Mr. R. S. Brodie  
appointed chairman. The following  
officers were elected:—Mr. John Bolton,  
President; Mr. John Reading, Vice-Pre-  
sident; Mr. George Murton, Secretary-  
Treasurer. Directors—Messrs John  
Ludlow, Geo. Atkinson, Robt. Matthews,  
Wm. Atcheson, J. C. Atchab, Adam Robert-  
son, R. S. Brodie. Auditors—Messrs Jas  
Innes and Geo. Murton; jr. Mr. Patrick  
McGarr instituted a discussion on the  
advisability of continuing the Township  
Show in full force as formerly, but it  
was policed out that the law is strictly  
prohibitory of any such action on the  
part of Township Societies, where a  
County Exhibition is held in the same  
Township in the same season.

A story is current that two years  
ago when Fisk first had reason to be-  
lieve Stokes was his rival in the affec-  
tions of Mansfield, he told her Eric was  
going up on a certain day, believing she  
would inform her lover (Stokes), and  
that he would attempt to profit by the  
information. Fisk was right in his sur-  
mise. Stokes purchased Eric heavily,  
borrowing largely. Eric went down and  
Stokes lost over \$100,000. This was  
Fisk's financial revenge, and it is said he  
often boasted of it.

Mr. Charles Siebert, of Broome  
street, New York, importer and manu-  
facturer of flowers and feathers, has re-  
ceived from France, by the steamer  
Lawrence, a piece of machinery which  
can be so arranged as to turn out perfect  
flowers of every kind. It cost \$10,000.  
Under the management of four men  
twelve girls, this intricate mechanical  
contrivance will do the work of 500 girls.  
—Lord Courtenay, a young Eng-  
lish nobleman, has gone into bankruptcy  
with debts amounting to \$284,800, or  
more than four millions of dollars.

### The Recent Rise in the Price of Iron.

In order that our readers, and particu-  
larly those interested in the Iron trade,  
may realize its present position in Eng-  
land, we give below a copy of a letter  
received by a late steamer by one of  
the largest importing firms in Montreal  
from their correspondents in Birmingham,  
not engaged in the manufacture of Iron,  
but only in its sale as Brokers and Com-  
mission Merchants:—

BIRMINGHAM, Dec. 9, 1871.

Gentlemen,—In accordance with our  
promise made in ours of Dec. 7th, we  
now write you a special letter respecting  
the present and future state of the Iron  
trade, and in doing so we are embodying  
the opinions of most of the thinking  
men of the trade. We have during the  
last three or four months passed through  
a period of great excitement, and various  
advances have taken place, making Iron  
from 40s. to 50s. a ton dearer than it was  
and we cannot see any probability of its  
being lower, but on the contrary, there  
is every prospect of its being higher.  
The fact is, the demand for Iron is great-  
er than the supply, and it does not ap-  
pear that in the present exceptionally  
prosperous state of trade that the supply  
can be got up to the demand. It is the  
opinion of some of the able men in this  
country, that the make of Iron cannot  
be much increased here, unless new  
fields of coal and mines of ore are dis-  
covered, which cannot be calculated upon.  
For the last ten years, the consump-  
tion of Iron has been increasing in a  
progressive ratio every year. There is  
every reason to consider that this in-  
creased yearly demand will be in great-  
er ratio than it has been, if we consider  
the gigantic railway enterprises that are  
taking place almost all over the whole  
world; the great demand for iron ships;  
the large quantity of iron now being  
used for building, (this is very much on  
the increase, iron now forming a prin-  
cipal part in our large buildings instead  
of wood); the great demand for rails for  
street railways, which is quite a new  
feature in this country, but which will  
take a large quantity of iron. Added to  
all these, there is generally a most pros-  
perous state of trade which is likely to  
continue, as all countries appear just  
now to be, commercially speaking, in a  
prosperous condition. Taking all these  
things into consideration, it is clear  
that there will be no falling off in the  
demand for Iron for some years to come.  
Of course you will naturally wonder  
why the great advance on Iron should  
take place in a few months. In answer  
to this we can only say that for some  
years past general business has been  
dull. The civil war in the United  
States, the Franco-Prussian war, and the  
commercial crisis in this country, all  
tended to check trade. The East Indi-  
an and Australian markets were over-  
stocked with goods, owing to undue  
speculation in the way of consignments.  
But now everything is quite different;  
all the nations in the world appear to  
want goods, and there does not appear  
anything to spring up at all likely to  
check a great trade, as there seems  
no prospect of a general peace be-  
tween all nations than there has been  
for some time past.

It is true that at all times of great  
advancements in prices there is con-  
siderable excitement, and this is gener-  
ally very noticeable with the iron-  
masters at the present time. Some men  
declare that before April, bars will be  
from 11s. to 12s. per ton; this we do not  
believe, still there is no saying. If  
either the iron or coal workmen agitate  
for further increase in wages—and it is  
impossible to say they will not, the price  
may go up considerably above these  
figures.

We are receiving circulars daily from  
all the manufacturers stating that they  
only take orders subject to prices at  
present. They are no isolated  
cases, but a general thing through-  
out the hardware trade.

Yours truly,  
VANWART, SON & CO.

### Painful Accident—A Man Badly Scalded.

Shortly after nine o'clock this morning  
Mr. George Sayers, who formerly kept a  
waggon shop at Marden, but who for  
some time has been working in Messrs  
W. Ball & Co's Melodion Factory, met  
with a painful accident in that place.  
There is a large tank in the cellar, into  
which the condensed steam from the  
pipes which heat the building is conveyed.  
The covering of this tank was left open  
this morning by one of the men who was  
conveying some pipes into it. Mr. Sayers  
having to pass that way did not notice  
the tank or well in which was four  
or five feet of hot water. Some of the  
man roused noticed the accident and at  
once got the poor man out. Dr. Tuck was  
immediately sent for, who on examina-  
tion found that his legs and body as far  
up as the breast were badly scalded,  
which together with the shock the sys-  
tem had received may have a dangerous  
effect. As soon as possible Mr. Sayers  
was conveyed home in a cab, and every-  
thing was done to allay the pain, which  
is very great.

MELANCHOLY SUICIDE.—John Brown,  
hotel-keeper, and Division Court Bailiff,  
Streetsville, committed suicide on Friday  
morning under very distressing circum-  
stances. It appears he breakfasted with  
his family as usual, and afterwards went  
to the stables, and procuring a strap,  
proceeded to a bedroom upstairs, and  
fastening a strap to a ladder sprang  
from a bedstead and strangled himself.  
His wife found him in this fearful po-  
sition and held him up for some time  
until assistance arrived, but life was  
quite extinct. Business troubles and in-  
temperate habits are supposed to have  
been the cause of the rash act.

RAILWAY BONDS.—The Halfpenny  
bonus for the Hamilton & Lake Erie  
Railroad was carried on Friday by a ma-  
jority of over 300. There is great re-  
joicing in the village.

### NEWS ITEMS.

The Toronto curlers whipped their  
opponents at Buffalo on Thursday.

The Ottawa Presbyterian congrega-  
tion (Rev. Mr. McLaren) are going to  
build a \$25,000 church.

CURLING MATCH.—A curling match  
was played at Galt on Friday between  
the Hamilton and Galt clubs, resulting  
in favour of the latter by eighteen shots.

EMIGRATION AGENT.—Mr. Klotz, son  
of Mr. Otto Klotz, of Preston, has been  
appointed Emigrant Agent to proceed to  
Germany.

The Assizes for the county of Ottawa  
will open at Aylmer on the 22nd inst.,  
when the largest ever cast in England,  
for the murder of G. H. Macaulay, the  
Speaker's late secretary.

MONTREAL CALEDONIAN SOCIETY.—At  
a meeting of the Caledonian Society on  
Thursday night it was stated that a  
grand gathering will take place in Mon-  
real on the 15th of August, and that the  
celebrated athletes J. Fleming and Don-  
ald Dinnie will be present.

The English papers are discussing  
a "big gun" lately constructed there,  
and called the "Woolwich Infant." The  
gun is the largest ever cast in England,  
and the Times thinks that none such  
may ever be constructed again. In fact  
the experiment has not been quite suc-  
cessful. The gun weighs 35 tons, and  
carries a ball 700 lbs.—The American  
20-inch gun weighs 50 tons, and carries  
a ball weighing 1,080 lbs. This is not  
generally regarded as a success.

BOW PARK FARM.—The Woodstock  
Times understands that the Hon. George  
Brewer, is making important additions to  
his herd of thoroughbred stock, by im-  
porting and purchasing from gentle-  
men, whose experience has placed with-  
in reach some of the best blood in the  
world. One of the additions made re-  
cently by Mr. Brewer, is the transfer of  
a pair of Maine Greys, of North Ox-  
ford, consisting of cows, and young stock  
of great excellence.

THE MICHIGAN SUFFERERS.—Governor  
Baldwin has issued a proclamation to  
the people of the United States, in which  
he says he now takes pleasure in an-  
nouncing that further contributions of  
money for the relief of the sufferers by the  
late disastrous fires in this State are un-  
necessary. The Governor tenders the  
hearty thanks of the whole people of  
Michigan to those whose earnest sym-  
pathy and liberal aid have so greatly  
alleviated the sufferings of so many of  
its citizens.

A CANADIAN MINT.—The Montreal  
Daily News has an article on this sub-  
ject. It says, a Dominion Mint may not  
be expedient or necessary, if England  
will take a coinage for the empire. We  
are now in a transition state. We have  
a moderate supply of silver half dollars,  
but "shin plasters" for quar-  
ters form our circulation, and we are  
without a gold coinage, except what we  
borrow from the United States or Eng-  
land. The wealth of the Dominion and  
her precious minerals is becoming bet-  
ter known. The silver mines along the  
shores of Lake Superior are giving out  
enormous returns, and British Columbia  
will furnish all the gold we shall need  
for generations. The questions of a  
Dominion coinage ought, consequently,  
to arrest the attention of the Ottawa par-  
liament, and some remedy should be de-  
vised to relieve us from our anomalous  
condition.

SINGULAR AND ALARMING OCCUR-  
RENCE.—Mr. Thornton traveller in sew-  
ing machines, &c., for Mr. Leslie, George-  
town, had a very narrow escape while  
passing a large wood on his way to  
Alton from Orangeville. He was fired  
upon several times; the first bullet  
whistled past his ear; a second passed  
between him and his whip through  
the dash, and a third fell far behind  
as the horse struck into a gallop on the  
first shot. This seems to have a con-  
nection with an adventure he had a few  
days before Christmas. He was driving  
a mile or so below Orangeville, and  
passing a large swamp there, his horse  
was suddenly seized by the head. He  
asked the man who he wanted there,  
and the fellow swore he would find  
out soon enough, and kept calling for  
help to some one in the swamp. After  
several times urging the man to release  
the horse, and warning him that he would  
shoot, he took arm for the legs and  
hind. The would-be robber leaped,  
uttered a piercing shriek, and fell over  
towards the ditch. Nothing has since  
been heard of the parties until Mr. Thor-  
nton was so summarily accosted from  
the depths of the forest. The authori-  
ties will do well to make the country  
warm for such men.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS IN TORONTO.—The  
new Government would seem to purpose  
proceeding with the public buildings  
projected and commenced by their pre-  
decessors. The work of altering the  
plans of a Technological College is going  
in space, and the scheme of imparting  
technical education proposed by the old  
Government, with some slight modifi-  
cations, be developed by the new Govern-  
ment. The contractor for the building  
of the Central Prison is busy getting  
his material on the ground, and will  
be prepared to put the work vigorously  
on with the appearance of spring. Mr.  
Sutton, the contractor for the building of  
the new Agricultural College, on the  
Agricultural Farm, to the west of the  
city, is also hauling building material  
on the ground, and thought of taking ad-  
vantage of the present spell of thorough  
working weather to commence excavat-  
ing. The soil though clay has been  
well ploughed up and the pick would  
easily penetrate the veneering of frost  
now on the ground. It is expected that  
the Technological College will be ready  
for the students by the end of next  
month, and that the other two institutions  
will be completed before the termination  
of autumn. It has been decided to front  
the Agricultural College towards the  
South, which will give a view of the  
lake from the southern windows of the  
principal wing. When the building is  
erected, a fine view of the pile will be  
obtainable from the trains of the Great  
Western as they cut obliquely along the  
southern corner of the farm. The college  
will be located about half a mile from  
Mimico Station.—Toronto Telegraph.

An old Scottish woman, wishing  
to cross the River Forth, hesitated to  
enter the ferry-boat because a storm was  
brewing. The boatman asked if she  
would not trust in Providence? "Na,  
na," said she, "I would na trust in Pro-  
vidence so long as there is a bridge at  
Stirling."

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