Hokus-pokus, rigmarole! Rochesterial Knockings! —e is a gallant soul, Cupid in his stockings! Tender feelings through his veins
With lightnin' speed are rushin';
Angel eyes are from his brains

Angel eyes are from his oraths
His seven senses brushin'.
Hokus-pokus, fiddle-sticks!
Tongues were made to chatter!
Ain't the printers in a fix,
Reportin' through the clatter?

Pretty Ladies shouldn't show Pretty Ladies shouldn't show
A love for fishy fellows;
It's sure to make 'em puff and blow,
Just like a pair of bellows!
C*****, leave the gals alone!
They ain't so fond of shouting;
Just try and moderate your tone—
See how the dears are neuting! See how the dears are pouting !

URE declares his time is beat By such an awful cooin', And leanin' over on his seat, He asks 'em what they're doin'! Cupid turns in dreadful rage,
His bristles rise like thunder!
The ladies bustle off the stage, As full of dread as wonder

Mr. Baldwin yawns, and thinks "Precedents" are plenty— Mr. Gowgaw bows and blinks, He's sartin there are twenty! Hokus-pokus, ginger pop!
Brandy smashing reason!
"Mr. Printer, please to stop, And hear the LAW on treason !

"We could hung you up to night, Like a Cop for dinner! But this is the Age of Light! And you're a youthful sinner!
Therefore, be it known to all
That you are reprimanded;
Every printer, great and small,
We hope will understand it!

" DIGNITY belongs to us! We are awful civil!

If the printers raise a fuss,
We will raise the devil! " "Hear him! hear him!" some one cries,
With a dreadful snicker; Mr. Speaker, we will rise, And take a round of liquor."

Printers, give their form a brush, Orerlay the sinners!
Go it with a perfect rush,
Give 'em all their dinners! Take a little color, Bub, Spreac it on the metal;

Cupid is a gallant chub, All the rest are cattle! Never shall the Fourth Estate, Whose power none surpasses,
Bew, and bend, and humbiy wait
Upon a herd of Asses!
Hokus pokus, rigmarole!
Speeches, fun, and frolic! I guess, before the House has done, 'T will have the Printers' Colic! Niagara, Aug. 3. YANKEE DOODLE.

Scraps.

ENCOUNTER WITH A LIONESS.

The lioness having had a long start of me we went over a considerable extent of cidedly: "There won't be any singing to inform them that he has removed to the ground before I came up with her. She here this afternoon." "Then there won't was a large, fullgrown beast, and the bare be any preaching!" said the doctor, quick near Thorp's Hotel, where he will be hapand level nature of the plain added to her imposing appearance. Finding that I from its peg, he marched down the pulpit hitherto conferred upon him. gained upon her she reduced her pace from stairs, through the aisle, and out of the a canter to a trot, carrying her tail stuck house, leaving his congregation utterly out behind her, and slewed a little to one astounded. We need not inform our readside. I shouted loudly to her to halt, as I ers that the big fiddle was not used in the wished to speak with her, upon which she suddenly pulled up, and set upon her The Pedler's Courtship.—Nay time The will dispose of at low prices, and take hauches like a dog, with her back towards like the present. - A pedler, well known in exchange all kinds of Country Prome, not even deigning to look round. She in our Highland districts, buried lately his duce,—viz. then appeared to say to herself, "Does this second wife. Being one of those who fellow know who he is after?" Having think it no part of wisdom to embitter the then sat for half-a-minute, as if involved in thought, she sprang to her feet, and, facing about, stood looking at me for a few seconds, moving her tail slowly from side neighboring spinster, as well suited for to side, showing her teeth, and growling being his third wife, and lost no time in fiercely. She next made a short run for- making his desires known. Jenny, it ward, making a loud, rumbling noise like seems, cocked her nose at the offer; thunder. This she did to intimidate me; and John, leaving her to her fancy, departbut, finding that I did not flinch an inch, ed saying, "Weel, weel, a' the warld nor seem to heed her hostile demonstra- doesna think like you," which was quite tions, she quietly stretched out her mas- true. Before reaching home, the pedler sive arms, and lay down on the grass.—
My Hottentots now coming up, we all three dismounted, and, drawing our rifles from their holsters, we looked to see if the powder was up in the nipples, and put the powder was up in the nipples, and put to be more kind: alas! in vain! Next to be more kind: alas! in vain! Next on our caps. While this was doing the day, as the pedler was passing by, Jenny lioness sat up, and shewed evident symptoms of uneasiness. She looked first at us, and then behind her, as if to see if the her through, then replied, "Weel, weel, coast were clear; after which she made a l'm owre far on wi' anither ane now to drawn murderous growls. Having secur- be nae lang liver, I'll nae forget to mak ed the three horses to one another by their reins, we led them on as if we intended to pass her, in the hope of obtaining a broadside. But this she carefully avoided to expose, presenting only her full front. I had given Stofolus my Moore rifle, with orders to shoot her if she should spring Yes, sir, but I was sick." "What was the me. Kleinboy was to stand ready to hand matter, madam?" "I had an awful bile, upon me, but on no account to fire before me my Purdey rifle, in case the two-grooved Dixon should not prove sufficient. My men as yet had been steady, but they were in a precious stew, their faces having assumed a ghastly paleness; and I had a painful feeling that I could place no re- man with two Bairnies? Because he has liance on them. Now, then, for it, neck two bare knees. or nothing! She is within sixty yards of us, and she keeps advancing. We turned and magnitude of the United States Hotel ready by me, danced about like a duck in 600 lbs. Butter; 1,500 Rolls for breakfast; a gale of wind. The lioness sprang upon 4 barrels of Flour. Colesberg, and fearfully lacerated his ribs,

confidence in my own shooting; but I must confess, when the whole affair was over I felt that it was a very awful situation and attended with extreme peril, as I had no friend with me on whom I could When the lioness sprang on Colesberg, I stood out from the horses, ready with my second barrel for the first chance she should give me of a clear shot. This she quickly did; for, seemingly satisfied with the revenge she had now taken, she quitted Colesberg, and, slewing her tail to one side, trotted sulkily past within a few paces of me. Taking one step to the left, in the original cask. They only hold pitched my rifle to my shoulder, and in eight gallons, and are of a very superior another second the lioness was stretched quality. on the plain a lifeless corpse. In the struggles of death she half turned on her back, and stretched her neck and forearms convulsively, when she fell back to her former position; her mighty arms hung powerless by her side, her lower jaw fell, blood streamed from her mouth, and she expired. At the moment I fired my sethey, from their anxiety to be out of the business in that City. way, evidently considered quite capable of

doing further mischief.—Cumming's Five Years' Adventures in South Africa. How to prevent BASE VIOL-ATTON in Church .- Dr. Emmons it is said, was no great lover of sweet sounds, and religiously excluded from his meeting house all instrumental music, except a little mahogany-colored wooden pitch-pipe of the size of an "eighteen-mo" book. A member of his choir, who had learned to play the bass-viol, was anxious to exhibit his big fiddle in the singing gallery. After the first prayer was ended, and the and execute the same with despatch, for doctor, began to handle his "Watts," the base violer lifted up his profanation, and trying his strings, instantly attracted the doctor's attention. He paused, laid down his hymn-book, took his sermon from his cushion, and proceeded with his discourse, as if singing was no part of public worship, and dismissed the congregation without note or comment. The whole choir was indignant. They stayed after meeting, and all the girls and young men resolved not to go into the "singing seats" at all in the atternoon, and the elders who licit orders from parties intending to plant did go there, bore the visages of men or improve Orchards, or to beautify their whose minds were made up. Service be- Gardens. gan as usual in the afternoon. The docfor took his book in his hand, looked over his spectacles at the gallery, and saw only a few there; but nothing daunted, read psalin and sat down .- No sound followed, no one stirred; and the "leader" looked up in utter unconsciousness. After a long and most uneasy silence, the good man, his face somewhat over-flushed, his man- CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST, ner rather stern, read the psalm again, paused, then re-read the first verse, and pushing up his spectacles, looked interrogatively at the gallery- The leader could bear it no longer, and half rising, said de-

present with recollections of the past, he in Boxes. soon turned from bewailing the dead to addressing the living. He picked out a short run towards us, uttering her deep think o' gaen back; but if she happen to you my fourth wife."-Perthshire Adv.

A witness being late in her attendance at court, the presiding judge thought it his duty to reprimand her. "Madam, why were you not here before ?" "I couldn't come, "Were you not subpænaed?"sir." After a pause-"Upon your honor, madam ?" "No sir; upon my arm."

"I won't take a stump," as the girl said when she was asked to marry a short man. How is a Highlander in the kilt like a

Some idea may be formed of the extent the horses' tails to her. I knelt on one at Saratoga, U. S., from the following list side, and, taking a steady aim at her breast, of provisions consumed daily. There are let fly. The ball cracked loudly on her now about 700 guests at the House, to tawny hide, and crippled her in the should- which may be added 100 children and 300 er, upon which she charged with an appal- servants, making 1,100 persons to feed ling roar, and in the twinkling of an eye daily. They consume, besides many other she was in the midst of us. At this mo- articles, the following each day: 500 lbs. ment Stofolus's rifle exploded in his hand, Beef; 500 lbs. Mutton; 500 Chickens; and Kleinboy, whom I ordered to stand 150 Ducks and Turkeys; 2,500 Eggs;

In order to test the wit of the Irish, the claws; the worst wound on his haunch, which exhibited a sickening, yawning gash, more than twelve inches the Emerald Isle. "If the devil should be o'clock P.M. and haunches with her horrid teeth and following question was recently put by a more than twelve inches long, almost laying bare the very bone. I was very cool and steady, and did not feel in the least why so?" "Faith he knows he can get degree nervous, having fortunately great either of you at any time."

TO LET.

THE Two comfortable and commodious DWELLING-HOUSES, in McDonald Street, formerly occupied by Mr. Jn. JACKSON & Mr. CHAS. DAVIDSON. Apply to Chas. Davidson.

Guelph, May 27, 1850.

"SHERRY."

IN Octaves and Sixteenths.

Guelph, April 1, 1850.

CIRCULAR.

MONTREAL, 25th Jan., 1850. THE Subscriber begs to state that from I this date he discontinues his busines cend shot, Stofolus, who hardly knew in this City, having associated himself whether he was alive or dead, allowed the with the Firm of Messrs. HIGGINSON, three horses to escape. These galloped DAY, and Co., 77, Broad Street, New frantically across the plain; on which he York, Produce and General Commission and Kleinboy instantly started after them, Merchants, and respectfully states that he leaving me standing alone and unarmed will devote his entire time and best exerwithin a few paces of the lioness, which tions to the interests of his friends having

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Support the Growth of Canada, and keep your Money at Home!!!

FRUIT AND ORNAMENTAL TREES. SPRING, 1850.

THE Subscriber, Agent for the TO-RONTO NURSERY, begs to intimate that he is prepared to receive orders, any quantity of

Fruit and Ornamental Trees, Shrubs, Roses, Double Dahlias, Hedge

Plants, Greenhouse Plants, Gooseberry, Currant, and Raspberry Bushes, With every other description of Nursery Productions usually raised. He can con-Adently recommend the Stock now held by the proprietor of the Toronto Nursery as second to none, for extent or variety, North America. He would, therefore, so-

THOS. H. McKENZIE, Agent for the Toronto Nursery. Dundas, March 21st, 1850. -147-tf

REMOVAL.

A. HIGINBOTHAM.

MARKET SQUARE, GUELPH, MENDERS his grateful acknowledgements for the patronage conferred upon him during the time he has been in business in Guelph, and begs respectfully Shop lately occupied by Mr. Webster, py, to receive a continuance of those favors

Guelph, Oct. 2, 1849.

Sir Astley Cooper's Pills, Lee's Pills, and Oriental or Sovereign Balm Pills,

Godfrey's Cordial, Paragoric, Balsam of Honey, Laudanum, Essence of Peppermint, Essence of Cloves, Essence of Lemon, Essence of Cinnamon, Opodeldoc, British Oil, Oil of Spike, Thomson's No. 6, Turlington's Balsam, and Dr. Fowler's Concentrated Extract of Wild Strawberry, in Vials.

Dally's Pain Extractor and Sticking Salve; and

Soule & Co.'s celebrated Egyptian Salve, or Rheumatic Plaster, &c. &c. &c. JAMES LYND.

Guelph, April 1, 1850.

TO TAVERN KEEPERS.

THE Subscriber begs to call the atten tion of Tavern Keepers to the following articles, imported direct, and which he warrants to be genuine :--1 hhd. of London Gin, " Old Tom.

1 hhd. of Hollands, 1 hhd. of Pale Brandy, 2 hhds. of Dark do.

1 hhd. of superior old Brandy. ALSO.

100 barrels of Canadian Whiskey, 10 barrels of Peppermint, AND EXPECTED IN A FEW DAYS, 2 puncheons of Rum;

All of which will be sold at a small adance for cash or good three months paper. JAMES LYND.

Guelph, April 1, 1850. "THE OLD LINE"

Between Dundas and Hamilton. TWICE A DAY.

THE Stage starts from the Coach Of-I fice, King Street, calling at the Elgin House and Riley's Hotel, at half-past 5 o'clock A.M., and 3 o'clock P.M. Leaves Stone Stores, in one of the most business Mitchell's Hotel, Hamilton, at 8 o'clock A.M., and on the arrival of the Toronto

Fare each way, 1s. 3d. JAMES LEE. Dundes, 12th April, 1850.

To Connoisseurs in Wine. PORT, 10 Years Old.

THE Subscribers have for Sale a choice Subscriber on Thursday next. lot of "Hunt's" Superior PORT WINE, of the Vintage of 1839. Also, Sanderman, Forster & Co.'s well-known brand,-imported direct,-and to which they beg to call the attention of Families. JAMES LYND.

Guelph, April 1, 1850. 145

GUELPH FOUNDRY.

THE Subscribers, in returning thanks I to the public for the liberal support given them since commencing business in Guelph, beg to intimate that their Sets of Patterns for every description of Mill Gearing are now very complete; and as hey are all new, embrace the latest improvements. They are prepared to contract for the erection of Grist and Saw Mills in any part of the Province; and their Iron and Brass Castings are not inferior to any manufactured in Canada.

As they are themselves Practical Mechanics, they will keep no workman but of sober and industrious habits; so that large Stone Building recently erected by persons favoring them with their orders may be assured of satisfaction.

A. FIRST CLASS HOTEL.

Blacksmith work in all its branches. Castings in general use kept on hand, Percussion Wheels for Saw Mills; all kinds of Ploughshares, Wagon Boxes, season, Sleigh Shoes, Dog Irons, Sugar Kettles, Excellent Stabling and a careful Hostler. Bake Kettles, Cooking, Parlor, and Box Stoves, Wrought and Cast Iron Safes.

Boring, Turning, Fitting-up, and Repairing, on short notice and reasonable

Old Iron and Brass taken in exchange for Castings. ROBERTSON, WATT, & CO.

GUELPH FOUNDRY, ? 137-1y 4th Feb., 1850.

300 TOWN LOTS FOR SALE In Guelph,

T a moderate upset price and liberal credit, or liberal discount on the purchase money down. The subscriber offers Three Hundred Town Lots

for sale, as shown by a new Plan of the Town of Guelph, in the possession of and comfortable Sitting Rooms; while his FRANCIS KERR, Esq., who will state terms, point out the Lots on the ground, and procure letters of occupation or title deeds for parties purchasing.

The instalments or purchase money for the above to be deposited to the credit of the subscriber in the Montreal or Gore Bank Agency, Guelph.

Persons found taking wood from or otherwise trespassing on the Lands of the subscriber, will be prosecuted.

JOHN McDONALD. Guelph, 25th July, 1848.

FARM FOR SALE.

TO BE SOLD, a valuable Farm, within less than two miles of the Town of Guelph, containing 118 acres, of which ation to make the Management, Accomabout 60 acres are cleared. There is an modation and Comfort first rate. excellent Log Cottage, &c., on the Farm, THE Subscriber has been appointed with Fire-wood, Water, and Rail-timber.

Apply to the Rev. A. PALMER, Guelph, March 27, 1849.

THOROUGHBRED DURHAM BULL,

PATRIOT.

DATRIOT is a beautiful Roan, and is The son of FAVORITE, the very best Cow imported by Rowland Wingfield, Esq. His sire was Comer, the son of RE-FORMER and CowsLip, both of which were imported by Mr. Wingfield.

It will therefore be seen that PATRIOT combines the best Feeding and Milking qualities ever introduced on this Continent. The Bull above described was bred by

Mr. Howitt, and has been purchased by Mr. Harland, upon whose farm he will stand for the service of Cows during the present season.

Guelph, 21st May, 1849.

Provincial Mutual and General Insurance Company.

THE principle adopted by this Company has been acted upon in the United States for some years, and has caused the withdrawal of much capital from the Colony in Insurance premiums, The rates are as low as those of any Company in America, while the security offered by a Home Proprietary and Management is an advantage not possessed by those who insure with Companies in the United States. Another advantage offered by the "Provincial," is the restriction of its transactions, by Act of Parliament, to £500 on any one policy, and to simply hazardous risks, to the rejection of the extra hazard-

ous class-matters of no small importance to the mutual insurer. Agent for the Wellington District, R. GREET,

Red Bridge House, Guelph, Any communications for whom, left at the office of T. SANDILANDS, Esq., will be promptly attended to.

Guelph, Oct. 1, 1849.

STONE STORES TO LET.

THE undersigned has recently erected L a handsome and commodious Block of parts of the TOWN OF GUELPH: which he is now finishing off for immediate occupation. Part of them are already engaged, and the remainder will be ready to let and occupy in a few weeks.

WILLIAM DAY. Guelph, Aug. 28, 1849.

NEW GOODS.

NEW GOODS, suitable for the season, will be opened out at the Store of the

JAMES LYND. Guelph, 20th May, 1850.

ENGLISH SEED.

THE Subscriber begs to inform the L Farmers, that he has for sale Skirving's Swedish Turnip Seed,

YELLOW ABERDEEN TURNIP SEED. Imported by EDWARD MURTON, Esq., this spring.

JAMES LYND. Guelph, 20th May, 1850. 152

WELLINGTON HOTEL, FERGUS.

TOHN GLOVER respectfully intimates to the Inhabitants of the County of Waterloo, and the public generally, that he has fitted up and furnished in the most comfortable and commodious manner, the A FIRST CLASS HOTEL,

where Travellers may be assured of every comfort and attention.

The BAR will always be supplied with Cranks and Balance Wheels; Thrashing the choicest Wines and Liquors, and the Machines; Ploughs of various patterns; TABLE with all the delicacies of the

> STAGES to and from Guelph, Gali, Dundas and Hamilton, on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and to Owen Sound every Wednesday.

Fergus, Feb. 19, 1850. 139-tf.

ELORA HOTEL.

THE undersigned having removed to the extensive and commodious building recently erected by him in Elora, begs to apprise his friends and the public generally, that he is prepared to give them THE BEST ACCOMMODATION,

AT REASONABLE CHARGES. His House will be found to be well fur nished, provided with airy Dormitories,

CELLAR AND LARDER will be constantly supplied with every necessary. He therefore confidently expects

that the patronage hitherto so liberally bestowed upon him will not be withdrawn. WILLIAM SMITH. P. S .- The Stages to and from Guelph call at the house on Mondays, Wednes

days, and Fridays. Elora, July 17th, 1849.

FERGUS ARMS. FERGUS.

TAMES BURR has entered the above . EXCELLENT HOUSE with the determin-

The BAR is excellent and excellently supplied-SHEDS spacious and convenient-STABLES complete and commo dious, and well supplied with Provender

of best quality. A Stage starts from the door every day Between 12 and 16...... 16 at 12 o'clock noon, and the Mail every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 2 o'clock P. M.—both calling at Efora, Guelph, Galt, Dundas and Hamilton—

from whence there is a return. There is also a Stage leaves Fergus every Wednesday at 12 o'clock noondirect from Hamilton to Owen Sound.

Fergus, 1st January, 1849. ELGIN HOUSE,

King Street, Dundas. THE Proprietor begs to say that no ex-I pense has been spared in making his establishment every thing which the convenience and comfort of the travelling

community could desire. The ELGIN House is commodious, offering ample accommodation for families; and those honoring it with their patronage will find themselves in possession of the Comforts of Home, in as high a degree as can be found in any other House in North America.

attached to the premises.

Extensive Stabling

WILLIAM McDONNELL. Dundas, 15th July, 1848.

GREY'S HOTEL, ELORA .

GEORGE GREY respectfully intimates to his old friends, and the public generally, that he has re-occupied the House formerly and for many years possessed terms be departed from. by him as a Hotel in Elora. Travellers and Boarders patronizing the

house may rely on finding the BAR AND LARDER well supplied, and that every attention will be given to their comfort and conve-

Commodious Sheds & Stabling.

A Stage leaves Elora every Monday Wednesday, and Friday, at 2 P. M., for Guelph, Galt, Hamilton, &c.; and every Wednesday, at 9 A. M., for Owen Sound Elora, 17th July, 1849.

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J. HARLAND.

Guelph, 3rd Feb. 1848. TO BREEDERS OF HOGS. MR. HARLAND begs to intimate to parties desirous of procuring a very superior breed of Pigs, that his justly celebrated Pure Yorkshire Boar, "WAMBA," which obtained the First Premium at the District Show, and which is decidedly the finest animal of his class in the Province, will serve sows for the present season at One Dollar each.

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This arrangement will continue during the season, the Stage calling at the principal Hotels in both places.

JOSEPH P. HILL. Dundas, April 1st, 1850.

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ALEXANDER EMSLIE. Guelph, 26th Feb., 1850. 140-tf

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