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GUELPH, ONT., CANADA, MONDAY EVENING, JULY 20, 1868.

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DOWN TO
55 CENTS IN SILVER.

FLOUR DOWN

To \$3.50 in Silver,
At WEBSTER'S.

BILLIARD HALL!

Adjoining Coulson's Hotel,
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Wines, Liquors & Cigars

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OYSTERS AND GAME,

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ARRHGE REMEDY.

Cholera Morbus, Diarrhea,

DO YOU WANT BLY PAPER

PETRIE'S Drug Store,

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IN CONSIDERATION

OF THE MUTUAL AGREEMENT HEREIN CONTAINED,
WE, the undersigned, Merchants and Traders in the Town of Guelph, do severally agree, the one with the others, but not the one for the others, that we respectively will not from and after the first day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, accept, or permit our agents to accept, in payment of any debt due, or to become due to us, or of any goods sold, or to be sold by us or our agents, any silver coin of the coinage of the United States of America, (when offered in amounts over five cents,) unless the same be at the same time paid there-with to us discount at the rate of TEN PER CENT. on each of said coins, under denomination of nominal value of a quarter of a dollar, and at the rate of FIVE PER CENT. on each of said coins of the denomination of nominal value of a quarter of a dollar and upwards; the British shilling to be received at the rate of twenty-four cents, and the British sixpence at the rate of twelve cents.

AND, in consideration of the premises, we further severally agree, the one with the others, but not the one for the others, that in the event of default being made by us respectively in the due performance of the above agreement, we will forthwith pay to John Hogg, of the Town of Guelph, Merchant, (party hereto,) his executors and administrators as trustee or trustees for himself and the others, the sum of fifty dollars of lawful money of Canada, which is hereby expressly declared shall not be considered as a penalty, but as liquidated damages for each breach of the said agreement, which said damages may be recovered by him or his executors or administrators from any one or more of us who shall make default in the due performance of the said agreement in any court having competent jurisdiction in that behalf.

AND, it is hereby expressly declared and agreed that in the event of two-thirds in number of the undersigned at any time desiring to withdraw from this arrangement, it shall be competent for them at any time to give notice in writing to the said John Hogg of such their intention, and at the expiration of one month from delivery of the said notice to the said John Hogg, these presents shall terminate, cease and become of no effect, provided, nevertheless, it shall be competent for the said John Hogg to commence or continue any proceeding for the recovery of any damages, in virtue thereof, for any breach of the agreement herein contained, prior to the expiration of said month.

AS WITNESS our hands this tenth day of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight:

- John Hogg
- James Massey & Co.
- Wm. Stewart
- Wm. Clark, M. D.
- G. B. Fraser
- J. M. Bond & Co.
- James Cornack
- Pres't & Highm'n
- John A. Wood
- Wm. M. Gill & Co.
- H. Berry
- Wm. Macklin & Co.
- D. Savage
- C. & T. Meredith
- John Horsman
- John L. Lewis
- Jackson & Hallett
- Hefferman Bros.
- Philip Bish
- R. Hetherford
- A. Thomson & Co.
- Wm. M. Curry
- Hugh Walker
- G. & A. Hadden
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- Thomas Brown
- E. Carroll & Co.
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- T. J. Day
- M. J. Doran
- John Hunter
- R. Cuthbert
- John McNeil
- James Murphy
- J. Bradley
- J. Wilkinson
- M. Lagan & Hume
- George Pine
- JAMES MASSEY
- WILLIAM STEWART
- JAMES CORNACK
- Guelph, July 19, 1868.

BACHELOR'S HAIR DYE.

THIS splendid Hair Dye is the best in the world. The only true and perfect Dye—Harmless, Reliable, instantaneous. No disappointment. No ridiculous tints. Remedies the effects of bad dye. Invigorates and leaves the hair soft and beautiful brown or black. Sold by all Druggists and Perfumers, and properly applied at Batchelor's Wig Factory, No. 14, Bond-St., N. Y. Beware

HARVEST.

A large variety of Scythes, Scythe handles, Cradles, Forks, Stones, Rakes, Grindstones, and other articles suitable to the season. Also Brass and Enamelled Preserving Kettles.

HALL'S VEGETABLE SILICIAN HAIR RENEWER.

RENEWSTHE HAIR TO ITS ORIGINAL COLOR
RENEWSTHE GROWTH OF THE HAIR WHEN BALD.
Renews the nutritive matter which nourishes the hair.
Renews the brush, wiry hair to silky softness.— Beautiful hair dressing.
One bottle shows its effects.

Evening Mercury.

OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET.
MONDAY EV'G, JULY 20, 1868.

Fifty-six merchants and traders of Guelph

have subscribed to a document similar to the Toronto silver bond.

A box car freighted with wool

was set on fire about St. Mary's by sparks from the locomotive, on Wednesday night. Loss \$3,000.

ANOTHER MATCH.—A challenge

from the Maple Leaf Base Ball Club to play the Young Canadians of Woodstock for the silver ball and the championship, on the 4th of August, has been accepted.— There is some talk of an effort to procure a civic holiday in, and an excursion from Guelph on that occasion.

COAL OIL AGAIN.—The Brantford

Express records another death—that of a young girl named Louisa Franc—from the careless use of coal oil in kindling the fire. The can exploded, the flames ignited her clothes, and she was burnt to death.

COOLING DRINKS.—We have pleasure

in making known to the public that drinks suitable for the season, such as soda water, flavored with lemon, pineapple, raspberry, &c., are to be had of the very best quality at Harvey & Co.'s (late Higginbotham's) Medical Hall. All who wish to indulge in a glass of pure, cooling beverage will find it where we have mentioned.

SILVER QUESTION IN HALTON.—At a

meeting of the business men of the county of Halton, held at Milton on Friday, about thirty gentlemen being present, a resolution was unanimously adopted in favor of exacting a uniform discount of ten per cent on small silver and four per cent on large silver on and after the first of August. A committee was appointed in each municipality to secure the co-operation of the merchants and business men of the county.

According to the Mitchell Advocate.

Perth exults in the possession of two Magistrates whose' drux on all proper and improper occasions, in the morning as well as at night, when on duty as well as when off it. One of the gentlemen belongs to Hibbert and the other to Logan. They took their second spree in Mitchell a few days ago, when one of them had to be bundled into a farmer's wagon and taken home, and the other was made acquainted with the inside of the lock-up. Civilization is advancing.

THANKS.—The Officers and men of the

Mount Forest Company have inserted in the Examiner a card of thanks to Mr. M. Deady, of Guelph, in which they express their sincere thanks for the very kind and gentlemanly manner in which those members of the Company who were billeted at his Hotel were treated during the time they were attending Battalion drill here. They also desire that their regards should be conveyed to the ladies of the house for the kind attention experienced at their hands on the same occasion. The card is signed by Capt. Pearce on behalf of the Company.

A coloured man entered the house of

Mr. Henry Sanders, Logan, on Wednesday last, and finding nobody in but two children fired a gun at them, and then made for the woods. The report brought the parents from the fields, who found their children almost insensible, with their necks badly burnt by powder. The cause of the brutal act is not known.

SUDDEN DEATH.—A man named John

Ryan, who has been in the employment of the Grand Trunk for eleven years as a night watchman, died very suddenly at Toronto on Sunday morning. He had been at his regular duty all the previous night, and about five o'clock was found by a car checker named John Stirling lying in the shed in convulsions and almost unrecognizable. Although medical

Ontario Teachers' Association.

The annual meeting of the above Association will be held in the Lecture Room of the Mechanics Institute, Toronto, commencing on Tuesday, the 4th day of August next, at eleven o'clock a. m., and continue in session four days. The topics of discussion are as follows:—

- 1st. Is it desirable that prizes be awarded to the pupils of our schools? And, if so, what is the best method of giving them?
- 2nd. The importance of securing and keeping up the attention of pupils in order to successful teaching.
- 3rd. Any changes desirable in the examination and admission of candidates to the profession of teaching so as to raise its status?
- 4th. What steps can be taken to improve the attendance at our Common Schools?
- 5th. Is the present regulation respecting the selection and copyright of school-books, conducive to the best interests of education?
- 6th. Is it desirable that the clause in the Common School Act, respecting Teachers' Institutes, be put into operation?
- 7th. The co-education of the sexes and the advisability of the School Law being so amended that girls may be recognized as pupils in the Grammar Schools.

The Managers of the Grand Trunk, as usual, will grant return tickets at the station where any member of the association gets his ticket if a ticket of membership be presented.

The Great Western also grants return tickets for one fare. Each teacher, who is a member, will receive from the treasurer of the association, at Toronto, a ticket which will entitle him to a return gratis.

PRIZE FIGHT AND MURDER.—The

Brampton Times has the following: We have just received the particulars of a horrible affair which occurred near Sandhill, in the township of Albion, on Wednesday last, the 15th inst. Two men, named Squires and Taylor, arranged for a prize fight, \$20 a side. The encounter took place in the second con. of the above township. Two blows were only given when they clinched, Squires throwing Taylor. One of Taylor's brothers pulled Squires off, and while so doing, he kicked Taylor on his side, killing him instantly. The crowd, numbering over thirty, then engaged in a general scrimmage, in which several black eyes, bloody noses, broken heads, &c., were received. After they had expended their superfluous wrath upon each other, they turned their attention to Taylor, when they found him cold in death. This, of course, created quite a sensation, the crowd scattering in all directions leaving scarcely sufficient to carry the deceased home. Taylor was 34 years of age, and leaves a wife and family. Squires is about 30 years of age, and also has a wife and family. The combatants were farmers in comfortable circumstances, but somewhat given to whiskey drinking, which, we understand was the cause of the fight, and consequently the tragic end of poor Taylor. Squires has taken French leave, but efforts are being made to discover his hiding place, which, let us hope, may be successful.

ST. JEROME COLLEGE.—The College

year, 1867-68, was brought to a close in this institution in Berlin on the 9th inst., by the usual public examination and distribution of prizes. His Lordship the Bishop of Hamilton, and several of the Clergy were present. The former made a speech at the close. George Murphy, son of Mr. James Murphy, and John Hazelton, son of Mr. James Hazelton, both of Guelph, distinguished themselves particularly during the examination. Prizes were taken by the former for good conduct, for English Grammar, Algebra, English Catechism, English History, Natural Philosophy, Geography, and for translations in Adler. John Hazelton received prizes for the following: good conduct, Algebra, Book-keeping, English Catechism, English History, Natural Philosophy, Geography, English Grammar div. A., translations in Alder and Writing. The two boys have certainly taken their full share of honors. The name of Leo Steffler, Puslinch, was mentioned "with great distinction," on account of his February examination, he being unable to attend last examination on illness.

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Central Asia

A letter from Bombay, bearing date 15th ult. has the following: Feroze Shah has declared himself the ally of Russia. This alliance is represented in many quarters as dangerous to the British power in the north-western frontier of her possessions in Afghanistan.

In London it is argued on the part of the English that the progress of Russia in no degree equals that of the British in India; for the tendency of the latter has been to develop resources more than to extend dominion. Russia, it is acknowledged, has subdued the tribes of the conquered Bokhara, and she penetrates the unknown north into the circle of Asiatic potatoes, has established herself on the Oxus, and from Samarcand can exert a potent influence among all the Tartar tribes; but the British have conquered the Kalsa army and annexed the Punjab, carrying the empire of India to its natural frontier, the mountain barriers that wall it in. Railroads connect their cities to which scarcely roads led in the days of Lord Ancland. The Indus flows almost from its source to the sea through British dominion, railroads run along its banks, and fleets of steamers ply on its waters. Communication is almost instantaneous with England, and the overland route has developed into a great highway. The recognized chief of the Tartar tribes, with the banner of Islam raised for a crusade against the Feinghees in India, would, it is avowed, be a potent enemy, and might repeat the conquest of Hindostan by the mountaineers of Central Asia. But, it is asked, can a Russian general succeed in such a role? It is wholly opposed to the principle upon which Russia acts. She cannot lead a Christian rising against Moslem supremacy in Turkey, and a Moslem rising against Turkish supremacy in India.

THE FATAL HEAT.—The present

heat term will be long remembered, for many will be the mourners over friends and relatives who fell beneath it. It is as though an engagement were going forward, and the dead and wounded were being continually carried by. We believe we to-day record the death of some ten which happened from the heat yesterday and even while we write we hear of yet others. There is something grimly tragical in the very familiarity and comparative unconcern in conjunction with the death yesterday evening of the cook on board the *Passport*. He had been cooking steaks for several of the passengers, and one of these passengers was presented with his plate in the following manner: "Did you order these steaks, sir?" "I did," was the reply. "The man who cooked them is just dead," was rejoined. With what appetite they were partaken of we cannot say. It is impossible to read the long array of deaths from sun-stroke, in this city and neighborhood within the last two days, without serious concern, and commiseration for the bereaved. Those who have fallen beneath the fervors of a tropical sun are beyond the reach of our sympathies. Certainly during the few remaining days or hours which this extraordinary weather may last, some relaxation in duties involving out-of-doors exposure should be allowed; and all who are perfect master of their own actions will avoid excessive exertion, and keep as much as may be out of the sun's rays.—*Montreal Witness*.

THE SILVER MOVEMENT AND THE

BANKS.—At a meeting of the managers of the different Banks in Toronto on Friday the following adopted proposal in reference to the silver difficulty, was made for the acceptance, if satisfactory, of their customers. The Banks will act as agents for their respective customers in the acceptance of American silver—indiscriminately as to size—at the rate of ten per cent discount. They will ship the specie to the most favorable American market, and will allow their depositors to draw ninety per cent of the net deposits during transit and sale; upon the completion of which they will regulate the running accounts, and deduct one quarter per cent as commission. This is the proposition offered by the banks for the consideration of their merchant customers, and with the view of sending the depreciated "nullance" where it is hoped the import duty will prevent its return. A meeting of merchants is called for Monday evening next, to deliberate upon the offer promulgated by the banks.

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BY TELEGRAPH

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BY ATLANTIC CABLE

London, 19.—On Thursday last Farragut received through the Atlantic Cable, an invitation to visit Queen. Next day the Admiral and his principal officers of his fleet proceeded in the most cordial manner by Her Majesty's orders, to the Duke of Edinburgh and the members of the Royal Commission of the harvest from all parts of the United Kingdom show the wheat exceeds the annual average crops. A popular demonstration took place in this city to-day in favor of parliamentary measures for the abolition of the Irish Church establishment, a procession consisting of working men proceeded to Hyde Park, where a meeting was organized. After several speakers had been doing resolutions strongly protesting against the rejection by the House of Commons of the Irish Church appointments Bill were adopted. About 2,000 persons were present at the meeting, their proceedings were orderly.

Carlsruhe, 19.—The American Mr. Bancroft, has concluded his negotiations with the Grand Ducal Government for a treaty for the mutual protection of the rights of naturalized citizens, a document has been signed by the contracting parties. On both sides the treaty is identical in its provisions, those recently concluded by the States with the Kingdoms of Bavaria and Wurtemberg.

Miss Kate Delaney of London, severely but not mortally wounded Friday last by the accidental discharge of a gun carelessly handled by a meddler.

An inquest was held on Friday last in Forest, on the Grand Trunk on the body of a child four years old, belonging to Dr. Hutton of that place, stepmother, who has been in the ill-usage; it is now suspected of poisoning it. The stomach and were sent to Dr. Croft to be analyzed.

Last week a man named Fraser, living to Chatham was shot at, seriously wounded and robbed, in the neighborhood of Princeton.

Suspicious.—A Detroit Gentleman, present in St. Catharines, positively states that several thousand muskets were sold by auction in that city, to certain parties who are believed to be Fenian agents and who are anxious to purchase a large number of camp kettles.

THE BOUNDARY QUESTION.—The proposition by the New York *Albion*, probably sufficient to enable Canada, through a corner of the State of Maine, by which to run the Intercolonial Railway, is \$5,000,000 or nearly such as Mr. Seward agreed to give Russia for Alaska. The *Albion* is doubtless mistaken in thinking the British Government is entertaining any such scheme, and that the Dominion would be likely to save ten millions by the selection any route in preference to the Robins. The government has the offer of Burbee and other responsible and experienced parties to build the road by Northern route for \$14,000,000, while the lowest estimate of a line by any of the centre routes, reaches \$7,000,000 to \$9,000,000, not counting the lease or chase of the Woodstock branch.

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