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Office—Macdonnell Street, East of the Golden Lion, Guelph, Ontario.
October 29, 1867. daw-4f.

CASTLE GARDEN SALOON

MARKET SQUARE,
GUELPH, ONT.
THE Subscriber begs to inform the public that he has leased the above premises for a term of years, and has refitted it in a superior and substantial manner, and he hopes to share a portion of the patronage of the public.

THE BAR

will be supplied with the

Best Wines, Liquors and Cigars

And the table will be set with the most choice of food.

LUNCHEON

Every day from 1 to 2 o'clock.

OYSTERS AND GAME,

Hot Dinner and Supper parties provided on short notice, at reasonable charges.

JOHN MILLER,
Proprietor,
Late of the Commercial Hotel, Whittby.

DOMINION SALOON,

(LATE GRANBY'S TRADE SALOON),
OPPOSITE THE MARKET,
GUELPH.

CHAMPAGNE, COGNAC, OYSTERS, &c., &c., always on hand. Meals furnished at all hours.

DENIS BUNYAN,
Guelph, December 2, 1867. daw-4f.

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Castle Garden SALOON,

West Market Square.

SHAVING,
HAIR CUTTING,
SHAMPOONING, and
HAIR COLOURING,
Done in First-Class Style.

Making and fitting up Curls for Ladies.
Guelph, February 6th. dm

FURS,

FURS, FURS.

We have opened our stock of FURS, from our own manufacture, which we will sell at LOW PRICES, viz:

Extra Dark Mink,
Royal Ermine,
Siberian Squirrel
River Mink,
Ladies' Hoods,
and a full assortment of CHILDREN'S FURS, GENTS' MUFFERS and GLOVES, SLEIGH ROBES, &c.

F. GAULAND,
Market Square, GUELPH.

The Highest Price paid for Raw Furs
Guelph, Oct. 21, 1867. sep-732e

TRAVELLERS' GUIDE.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

GOING EAST. GOING WEST.
Mail, 9.45 a.m. Day Express, 9.45 a.m.
Day Express, 2.55 p.m. Eve. Ex., 2.45 a.m.
Night Ex., 2.45 a.m. Eve. Accom., 5.59 p.m.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.

ARRIVE AT GUELPH. DEPART.
Mixed, 10.50 a.m. Accommodat'n, 6.45 a.m.
Accommodat'n, 11.35 a.m. Mixed, 3.00 p.m.
Do, 8.05 a.m. Accom., 4.50 p.m.

NEW LAW OFFICE.

FREEMAN & FREEMAN

BARRISTERS AND ATTORNEYS,
SOLICITORS IN CHANCERY,
CONVEYANCERS, &c.

S. B. FREEMAN, Q. C. G. O. FREEMAN,
Office over Berry's Confectionery Store,
Wynham Street, Guelph.
Guelph, 14th December 1867. dw

Evening Mercury

OFFICE: - - - MACDONNELL STREET.

MONDAY EV'G, FEB. 24, 1868.

Local News.

READINGS.—Mr. W. T. Urquhart, of Hamilton, will give Shakespearean Readings in Fergus on Friday evening the 28th inst.

NEW EXCHANGE OFFICE.—It will be observed by advertisement in to-day's issue that Mr. Higbee has opened an Exchange Office on Wynham-st.

On the evening of Saturday, the 15th inst., the children of St. Andrew's Sabbath School, Fergus, presented Mrs. McDonald, the wife of the minister, with a handsome silver basket, as a token of their affection and esteem.

RIFLE COMPANY BALL AND SUPPER.—We are requested to state that it is the intention of Rifle Company No. 2 to hold their annual ball and supper at an early date. The proceeds will be appropriated in aid of the Battalion Band, and no doubt the affair will be largely patronised.

THE BRANTFORD EXHIBITOR.—This clever young enterer last week on the seventeenth year of its existence. It is big of its age and possesses all the force and vigor of maturity. It is flourishing at present, and long may it continue to do so, say we.

IS QUON.—The Berlin Telegraph tells of a fellow who got himself into jail in that town by stealing poultry from Mr. Randall. He had previously been found guilty of stealing cats from his neighbors, and selling their skins. Rats and mice have increased prodigiously in consequence of his warfare on the feline species.

BILLIARDS.—McDevitt is matched against Foster, and the billiard players are excited. Much is expected from the former because he happened to have a little good luck lately, and scarcely less is anticipated from the latter, because that in late practice he has been showing wonderful dexterity in knocking about the ivory.

FIRE IN PINKERTON.—The house and blacksmith shop of Mr. James Steele, Pinkerton village, were destroyed by fire on Sunday morning, the 16th inst. The inmates escaped in their night clothes, while the furniture in the house, and the tools and materials for twelve waggons in the shop were completely consumed.

CONCERT IN ARTHUR.—The Fergus Record says:—The Mount Forest Choral Society gave a concert on Wednesday in the village of Arthur, for the purpose of assisting to pay off the debt on Grace Church. It was held in the new hall built by E. J. Callaghan, who kindly gave the use of it for the occasion. We are glad to learn that it was a decided success; the hall was well filled, with an audience who seemed highly to appreciate the entertainment provided for them.

STORMY.—Old Boreas has been tearing around to-day [Monday] at a fearful rate. The old chap got his ginger up last night and a pretty mess he has been making of it all day. There he goes raging about, sometimes whistling, sometimes raving, tossing the snow in big drifts, occasionally blinding people with it, and always demonstrating that his temper has been badly ruffled. We have had no such storm this winter, except on that cold Thursday which preceded Christmas, and then there was little snow fall, or but little to be raised in fleecy whirlwinds.

SUDDEN DEATH.—On Friday, the 14th inst., an inquest was held at the 6th line east, in Caledon, on the body of Elizabeth McKenna, by Dr. Grant, coroner. The case was investigated by a respectable jury, who brought in a verdict "that deceased came to her death by taking a large quantity of laudanum while under the influence of liquor." Family troubles and irregular habits seemed to have been the predisposing causes. She had been thrice married, and left a husband and grown up children. She was about fifty years of age.

Mount Forest Correspondence.

Concerts now are all the go. In this locality especially, Her Majesty's lieges are duly invited to attend by flaming placards on the walls, fences and posts announcing that a great musical treat will be served out at Wilson's Hall, &c. On Wednesday evening last the hall was packed to suffocation. It being the night of the Roman Catholic concert, the committee had secured the services of the Fergus Brass Band, Miss Fraser, Guelph, Mr Taylor and others, therefore the turnout was good, and the eager multitude evidently enjoyed a musical treat which we seldom have in this locality. Miss Fraser's songs were splendid; Mr Taylor certainly possesses the rarest qualities of a good concert singer. A few of our own amateurs over excelled themselves on the occasion, rendering material aid to the evening's entertainment. But there are a few irrefragable gents who push themselves into those musical entertainments, who cannot sing, nature failing to supply the gift up to the present time. They should retire from the Stage Musical, and thereby relieve our worthy amateurs from the peculiar public offence of bad singing. The proceeds of the concert were financially satisfactory. The concert was wound up by a ball, which passed off in a quiet and orderly manner.—Some time about midnight a few bruisers who deemed themselves insulted, and feeling justified in engaging in a mild game of fist-cuffs, they repaired to the street, and proceeded to divest themselves of their outer and nether garments, then laid nose, a struggle in the snow, and all is over. Exit constables and prisoners; and thus continues the miserable practice of vindictive men's injured honour by smashing each other's facial protuberances. We regret to have to record the sudden demise of Mr Small, Reeve of the township of Arthur. It appears that on the 20th inst. Mr Small, interfered in a street fight in Arthur Village, the excited throwing him into a fainting fit from which he never rallied. The township loses in Mr Small an efficient officer. We are now enjoying genial spring weather, but still nothing approaching a rapid thaw.

Pilkington Council.

This Council met on the 17th inst., and among other business transacted was the appointment of the following office-bearers:—Pathmasters, Robert Tribe, John Ross, James Haig, Thomas McQuinnan, William Bye, George Waskin, John Ariss, Fred Leary, Wm. Howie, Robt. Chalmers, Joseph Lasby, jr., George Nicklin, Edmund Hall, Michael Coady, Thos. Hall, John Nicklin, Jacob L. Brownan, E. J. Pasmore, Joseph Hauser, John Zinger, Wenderlin Roth, Joseph Dunbar, Robert Masson, Daniel Cummings, Geo. Elliott, J. Shone, Henry Dumbur, Donald McKay, James Astele, Alex. Ewing, Jas Theacker, George Short, Robert Hay, Sam'l Barnett, Leonard Short, Alexander Barnett, John A. Hill, James Hunter, Thomas Boyd, Henry Howlet, James Howlet, Thomas Stuckney, Richard Harper, Fred'k Mogk, George Strangways, Thos. Bosomworth, Robert McQueen, James Findlay, Rich'd Hughes, Richard Hanna, Robert Loves, Alexander McEae, John Winfield, Hugh Roberts, Wm. Murdoch, Francis Meyer, Fence Viewers, William Harriston, Robt. Waskin, Henry Dunbar, Alex. Burnett, Leonard Short and Sam'l Auger. Pound Keepers, James Miller, Mathias Vogt, George Hirst and John Ariss.

Ingersoll is perplexed on the mad-dog question. A dog supposed to be rabid has been doing mischief there lately, and the Mayor has proclaimed death against all unmuzzled curs found running at large.

A WHISKEY SENSATION.—They have had a whiskey sensation in Goderich. Seven hotel keepers and three grocers were brought before the court lately for selling liquor at illegal hours. The parties with their counsel appeared, much swearing was done, and the cases stand adjourned.

MORALS IN OWN SOUND.—Some of the Own Sound lakers are weeping. They were making toaves seven ounces too light, and the Inspector seized the loaves, not the bakers, wherein he was remiss in duty, we should say. The Council have seen fit to diminish the number of liquor licenses within the corporation, and so all things considered the people of Own Sound are likely to be a well fed, and thirsty population.

THE EDINBURGH REVIEW.—The last number of this periodical has been received from the Leonard Scott Publishing Company. The following ably written articles constitute the contents:—Gardner's Don Carlos and Philip II.; Oysters and the Oyster Fisheries; Anjou; Tyn-dall's Lectures on Sound; Liberal Education in England; Memoirs of Sir Philip Francis; De Ferzencsac's Recollections of the Grand Army; Two per Cent; The Queen's Highland Journal. For sale at the bookstores.

STRANGE DISAPPEARANCE.—The Whittby Chronicle records.—It is our province, as a public journalist, to record the strange and sudden disappearance of a gentleman well connected, and highly esteemed by all with whom he came in contact. The circumstances of his disappearance offer no clue to the discovery of his whereabouts, nor can any reason be assigned for his absence. The missing person is Dr. Ray, of Vroomantou, who disappeared about a month ago. He was last seen driving a white mare, with a cutter painted yellow, near the village of Aurora since which time no tidings of him have reached his friends. He had a large and lucrative practice, and was, we understand, in no pecuniary difficulties. Altogether it is a strange affair, and it is believed by many, that the Doctor has met with foul play. Any information about him will be thankfully received by his many friends, who are left in doubt and anxiety, concerning his fate.

The Silver Question.

A meeting of the merchants of the Town was held in the office of the Bank of Commerce to-day, to consider the propriety of arranging with the agents of the local banks to receive silver at 5 per cent., and to refuse receiving the same as deposit. Mr. John Horsman occupied the chair, and Mr. N. Higinbotham acted as Secretary. A number of the leading merchants and the managers of some of the Banks in Town were present. After some general remarks Mr. A. Thomson moved, seconded by Mr. Massie, that this meeting feeling the necessity of making an effort to reduce the volume of silver in circulation in this town would move that the members of this meeting pledge themselves to sell all their silver to the Bank of Montreal, or other Banks at five per cent., on condition of said Banks pledging themselves not to issue the same silver in this Province.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. John Hogg, seconded by Mr. Geo. Hadden, that this meeting requests John McCrea, Esq., President of the Board of Trade, to call a meeting of the Board to take into consideration the silver question, and, if need be, to cooperate with the merchants in the exportation of silver. Carried.

Mr. McCrea called the meeting of the Board of Trade for four o'clock this (Monday) afternoon.

Police Court.

Before T. W. Saunders, Esq., Police Magistrate.

THURSDAY, 20th.—Jand Leith who has lately been liberated from durance vice was brought up again this morning charged with having inbibed more of the essence of rye than was good for her constitution. Fined \$2 and costs, but as she had no cash, she was constrained to expiate the offence by 21 days' imprisonment.

THE TRAMWAY.—A meeting to take the Tramway question into consideration, and to debate the propriety of Braupont co-operating with the Tramway Company of Orangeville, was held at the former place on the 14th inst., a deputation from the latter place being in attendance. A resolution favorable to co-operation was passed.

CHIMNEY ON FIRE.—One of the chimneys in Day's Block took fire this morning, and the burning spot having fallen down communicated with the board ceiling up the fireplace in the office of Messrs. Palmer & Lillie. The boy in the office noticed the smoke, and gave a timely alarm. Mr. Petrie ran up, and threw the contents of a bottle of ammonia on the fire, which together with some water quickly brought in effectually extinguished the flame. Very little harm was done.

LET OF TOLLS.—The tolls on the Hills-burg and Esqueping road were let on the 12th inst., as follows:—Gate below Bristol to Thomas Trot, for \$350; gate near Hillsburg to Thomas Everdell for \$245. These figures give an increase of \$103 over that paid for these tolls last year. We received a communication from one of the parties who tendered for these tolls, explaining of the way in which they were let. The matter properly belongs to the County Council, and the party who feels aggrieved should lay it before that body.

CHURCH DEDICATION AT ORANGEVILLE.—The dedicatory services of the new Primitive Methodist church in Orangeville, were held on Sabbath, the 16th inst., and were very successful. Sermons were preached at 10 a. m., by the Rev. James Edgar, of Toronto; at 2 o'clock, p. m., by Robt. Walker, Esq., of Toronto; and at 6 p. m., by Rev. R. Boyle, of Braupont. The church was crowded on each occasion, numbers having to go away, not being able to gain admittance. A tea meeting, in connection with the above services, was held on Monday evening the 17th inst., in the basement, when over five hundred persons partook of the bountiful supply of the substantial of this life provided for the occasion.

It is rumored that the Hamilton Spectator is to be transplanted to Toronto, in the interest of certain politicians who desire a special organ of their own.

NEW ISSUES.—David Tufts, Welland, John McLeod, Guelph, John Wood, Bensou, Beary & March, Andrew McFarlane & Co., Montreal, Wm. Pettars, Hamilton, Joseph Cox, Niagara, Duncan, McKelvey, Plympton, Jno. S. Munro, St. Catharines, Robert Dickson, Ringwood, Irwin Moore, Goderich.

The Hon. George Pemberton, formerly a Member of the Legislative Council of the Province of Canada, and of the Legislative and Executive Councils of Lower Canada, died on Friday, aged 75 years.

AQUATIC.—The University of Cambridge has sent a challenge to the University of Oxford for another boat race, which will come off in the spring. For the last seven years victory has been with Oxford.

A letter from Mr. Stern, one of the Abyssinian captives, has been received by the Lord Bishop of Ontario, who enters most warmly into the project, has selected Cornwall as the most suitable site for such a memorial, because it was there that the late Bishop commenced his ministerial labors in the year 1803; and it was there that he established his fame as an instructor of youth.

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BRUSHES.

Whitewash, Cloth,
Scrubbing, Hat,
Stove, Hair,
Horse, Tooth,
Shoe, and Bath Brushes.

JOHN HORSMAN.

Canada and War.

In an article on the present relations of England and the United States the Saturday Review of the 1st says:—"Every Englishman will readily admit that England will have more to lose than gain in such a conflict, for the simple reason that Canada is within reach of the United States, while no American territory is, for any useful purpose, assailable by England. The possible conquest by a foreign power, of a great and loyal colony would undoubtedly be a national mortification, but the material loss would be insignificant. In a maritime war the English navy would hold its own, and the injury to commerce would be reciprocal, and perhaps equal. The utmost that American hostility could accomplish would be the acquisition, by mere force, of a province, which would be justly and permanently disaffected to the lawless conqueror. If American agitators have any solid meaning in their threats, they must intend to invade the English dominion in Canada. The danger is real and considerable, but it is not so immeasurable as to justify a panic. A war with England would involve an enormous addition to the army, to the navy, and to the national debt of the United States. If the honor or interest of the country were engaged in a quarrel, the people of the United States would not wait to count the cost; but serious politicians will consider the consequences before waltzing into a mere war of spite. Canada would not be surrendered without a struggle which would tax even the undoubted energies of the invader; and if British North America were ultimately wrested from the Crown, England would have in turn become invulnerable to American attacks. It would be imprudent to taunt a great and high-spirited nation with the limits which are imposed by circumstances on its means of offence, but it is not unnecessary to reassure a peaceful community against the vague fear which has been inspired in some quarters by American menaces."

The people of St. Louis are under just apprehension that if matters are allowed to take their natural course, the city will ere long be cut off from the navigation of the Mississippi, and reduced to the condition of an inland town. For, since 1861, the effect of the river at the point of its confluence with the Missouri has been to eat away two thousand six hundred feet into the Illinois shore. And this corrosion extends from a point directly opposite the mouth of the Missouri to the village of Madison, four miles below. In a dozen years, or so, it would be impossible for any substantial of any considerable size to approach St. Louis. To obviate the evil a large dyke is being built, and more dykes will be necessary, to divert the water to a point some distance below, on the Missouri side. Another advantage will be to rescue the "American bottom" from the yearly overflow which now sets it. The soil of these "bottoms" is very rich, and will become one of the richest farming districts in Illinois.

PROMISSORY NOTES.—The mercantile community may take notice that the promissory notes act (which came into effect on the 1st Feb., requires all adhesive stamps affixed to promissory notes, or drafts, or bills of exchange, to be cancelled by being initialed or having some material part of the instrument written over them, and being dated as well. The drawer of bills in the Dominion and the maker of notes must stamp and initial and date the stamps, and the acceptor of bills drawn out of the Dominion, under heavy penalty. A party coming into possession of an unstamped note or bill may double stamp it, and the instrument will thus become valid in his hands, otherwise it is null; but the party who ought by law to have affixed the stamp duty, is not, by this, relieved from the penalties for its failure. The act further provides that stamping paper may be used as in Great Britain. The amount of stamp duty to be affixed is very slightly altered. It is one cent for bills and notes of \$25 and under; two cents if over \$25 and up to \$50; and three cents if over \$50. For the rest there is no change.

The Sportsman a new paper just established in Montreal seems to think we are great people, to judge by the following paragraphs:

"In the first place a Canadian billiard player is de facto Champion of the world and his debt to the best American players goes unanswered. We have another player almost as good. We have what they lack in the United States, fox-hounds and pluck enough to ride to them. We have made a clear sweep of their races over timber and where a horse owned by an American has performed creditably, a Canadian gentleman had to pilot him. We can show more and better gentleman riders than all the United States, and less big game. We have not yet sunk to tights and gate-money and barfaced quills." Our Canadian sportsmen have beaten the world. We have a monopoly of Lacrosse and snow-shoeing, two of the finest athletic exercises possible. In cricket we hold our own, and it cannot be said of our Canadian eleven as of the representative team of the United States that they are all foreigners. In Base ball, a nice child's game, where we have adopted it, we do pretty fairly. And lastly, in pedestrian matters our amateurs are more than a match for their professionals."

The Bishop, Archdeacon, and others in the Diocese of Ontario, propose to erect in the town of Cornwall, a monumental church of stone, to perpetuate to the memory of the late venerable Bishop Strachan. The Lord Bishop of Ontario, who enters most warmly into the project, has selected Cornwall as the most suitable site for such a memorial, because it was there that the late Bishop commenced his ministerial labors in the year 1803; and it was there that he established his fame as an instructor of youth.

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BY TELEGRAPH

Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

Great Storm on West Coast of England and Wales.

Sentences on the Convicted Dublin Editors.

Uneasiness in Europe ament the Vast Military Preparations of France.

BY ATLANTIC CABLE.

London, Feb. 22.—Mr Foster, member for Bradford, has given notice that on the 28th he will call attention of the House of Commons to the state of naturalization law and right of self-expatriation. The Independence Bells of Saturday has an article on prospects of peace in Europe. It expressed the general feeling of alarm which prevails in saying that vast military preparations which are now going on in all parts of France, are of a character and on a scale which lead to the conviction that they are disposed to meet other purposes than those of a national defence.

London, Feb. 22.—A tremendous gale prevails on the west coast of England and Wales. The great breakerwater at Holyhead, a massive stone pier 900 feet long, has been carried away by water, and the lights have disappeared.

Paris, Feb. 22.—The bill for the regulation of the newspaper press is still under discussion in the Corps Legislatif. An amendment for allowing the free publication of the debates was rejected this evening.

London, Feb. 22, evening.—Casey, who was shot some time since by Capt McKay, died at Cork today. Sullivan of the Dublin Nation who was recently convicted in that city for publishing seditious libels in his newspaper, has been sentenced by court to six months imprisonment. Mr Pigot of the Dublin Irishman who was tried and convicted on a like charge was sentenced to 12 months imprisonment. Both the prisoners will be required on the expiration of the terms of their confinement to furnish security for their future good behaviour.

American Despatches.

New York, Feb. 23.—The Times special says August Belmont and other members of the Democratic National Committee, were entertained by the President last night at dinner at the White House. The surmises and rumors having their origin in this fact are numberless, but it is certain that Mr Johnson finds himself forced to seek openly the consolation of his old Democratic friends in his present trouble.

New York, Feb. 23.—The Canadian corps of Papal Zouaves which arrived on Thursday, left yesterday afternoon for Europe, after participating in religious services held in their honor at St. Peter's Church.

New York, Feb. 23.—A telegraph operator was arrested yesterday charged with violating the secrecy of a telegram which passed between a firm in this city and their Washington correspondent.

Washington, Feb. 23.—It is stated that the President expressed his desire to test the case in question legally in the courts. Yesterday Gen. Thomas signed himself in two communications "Secretary of War AD INTERIM." The determination of Mr Stanton to cause arrest of Gen. Thomas was decided upon by him as the surest and most direct method of compelling that officer to take action in any civil proceedings he may institute to obtain possession of office. Being under bonds in a measure prohibits him from acting at his own pleasure, and if he receives further orders from the President, must decide between disobedience and incurring still further penalties for violation of law. Mr Stanton was in his office until a late hour last night, and proposed to remain until he could safely leave it. The efforts of Gen. Thomas to get possession thus far have been utterly futile, and it is believed to-night that on Monday the Supreme Court will be appealed to for relief. It is not believed that General Thomas will attempt any force to unseat Mr Stanton, though rumors of such intention are rife.

New York, Feb. 23.—Times special says it may be set down that impeachment of the President is certain. Demand is to make the work sharp and decisive.

New York, Feb. 24.—News from Mexico to 18th received. Revolutions in Senalca and Ucutan still in progress. Affairs very complicated; rebel force large and active. Fight reported between regulars and bandits at Hueraca, in which twenty of the latter were killed.

New York, Feb. 24.—The Tribune will tomorrow come out with an editorial demanding the immediate impeachment and removal of President Johnson. It says there is no avoiding this conclusion; no middle course. This most infamous chief magistrate should be swept out of his office. Let him be impeached, and let the Republican party show that it not only has the power to preserve the country from rebellion under Jeff Davis, but also from treachery under Andrew Johnson.

The scene at George Francis Train's second lecture in Cork was lively. Ribbs beat all but cracked; hats were smashed; loose properties were torn away. An elderly gentleman, wearing a part of his coat, having the handle of his umbrella embedded in the pit of his stomach, and his hat jammed of his eyes and nose, imploring mercy in vain. Entrance into the galleries was no delivrance. There the crush was something tremendous. Motion was impossible. The mass forced into every interstice and down to the railing by the constantly increasing pressure from without, and many of those in front clambered over to escape and slid into to body of the hall, previously crowded to inconvenience. So says a Cork paper.

Boards for the examination of volunteer officers will assemble at Quebec, Montreal, Kingston, Toronto and London on the 10th of March next.

A Dominion Telegraph Company has been organized with its headquarters at Toronto. Contracts for poles have been given out. It will have offices in all business places in the Dominion.