

Business Cards.

O'NEILL, MACDONALD & OSBER, Barristers and Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors, Notaries Public, &c. Office, Corner of Wyndham and Quebec Streets, up stairs, Guelph, Ont.

D. R. BROOK, OFFICE AND RESIDENCE, Directly opposite Chamber's Church, QUEEN STREET, GUELPH.

FREDERICK BISCOE, Barrister and Attorney at Law, Solicitor in Chancery, Conveyancer, &c. Office, corner of Wyndham and Quebec Streets.

AUSTIN C. CHADWICK, Barrister at Law, Solicitor in Chancery, &c. Market Place, Guelph. Office entrance next door to the Queen's Hotel.

STEPHEN BULL, Architect, Contractor and Builder, Planning Mill, and every kind of Joiner's Work prepared for the trade and public. The Factory is on the Quebec street, Guelph.

WILLIAM J. PATTERSON, Official Assignee for the County of Wellington. Office—Opposite Town Hall, Guelph. dw

LEMON & PETERSON, Barristers and Attorneys at Law, Solicitors in Chancery, Conveyancers and Notaries Public. Office, over the Bank of Commerce, Guelph.

A. LEMON, H. W. PETERSON, CHAS. LEMON, J. CONROY, GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN, Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors in Chancery, GUELPH, ONTARIO.

F. STUDY, House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter. GRAINER AND PAPER-HANGER. Shop next to the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street, Guelph. 67-74

J. M. MARIOTT, Veterinary Surgeon, M.B. C. V. S. L., H.F. V. M. A., Having lately arrived in Guelph from England, and taken up his residence here, intends continuing the practice of his profession. Office left at the Mercury Office, or at H. A. Kirkland's, Paisley Street, opposite Howard's new foundry, will be promptly attended to.

NEW MUSIC STORE, Quebec St., Guelph. F. C. Whiting, Importer of all kinds of Musical Instruments, &c. English Music, V. Novello's Music, Instruction Books, &c. wholesale and retail.

NEELLES, ROMAIN & CO., CANADA HOUSE, General Commission Merchant AND SHIPPERS, 34 South Clinton St., Chicago, Ill.

RAYMOND'S SEWING MACHINES, Family Sewing Machine (single thread); Hand Lock Stitch (double thread); No. 1, Foot for heavy work; Furnished with plain tables, half, or Cabinet Cases, as required.

CHARLES RAYMOND, GUELPH, ONT. July 12, 1872. dwj

DUGNAN'S PUBLIC CAB, The subscriber begs to inform the people of Guelph that he has purchased a handsome and commodious Cab, which will always be at the Railway Stations on the arrival of all trains.

PRIZE DENTISTRY, DR. ROBERT CAMPBELL, Licentiate of Dental Surgery, Established 1864. Office next door to the "Advertiser" Office, Wyndham-st., Guelph.

W. M. FOSTER, L. D. S., SURGEON DENTIST, GUELPH. Office over E. Harvey & Co's Drug Store, Corner of Wyndham and Macdonnell-sts. Guelph.

New Advertisements.

BOARDING—A vacancy for two gentlemen boarders in a private family. Apply at this office. 18-41

TO RENT—A Wood and Lumber Yard, situated on Woolwich street. Apply to Thompson & Jackson. 18-41

BOARDER WANTED—Wanted, a gentleman boarder, in a private family. Enquire at this office. 18-41

COOK WANTED—In a family. References required. Apply at Mr. Cormack's store, Wyndham St., Guelph. 18-41

TO LET—Several rooms in a house, situated on the Roman Catholic Glebe, apply to Messrs. O'Connor & McKinnan, Barristers, etc. 9-12

WANTED—Four Cabinet Makers or Joiners at STEWART'S PLANING MILL, Guelph, Nov. 18, 1872. 18-41

COW LOST—A red Cow, one horn broken off. A person leaving her at the Royal Hotel, Guelph, will be liberally rewarded. 18-41

STORE TO RENT—The store on Sandilands street, facing the Market square, suitable for general business. Apply to Anderson, grain dealer. 18-41

SEWING MACHINES FOR SALE—For sale, the Wauver, Lockman and Howe Sewing Machines, all first class and cheap for cash. Enquire at the Mercury Office. 18-41

TO LET—The large room over the MERCURY OFFICE, formerly used as a Temperance Hall, suitable for an office or for any light manufacturing purpose. Enquire at the Mercury Office. 18-41

WANTED—A young man from 16 to 18 years of age, as Assistant in a Grocery and Provision Store. He must write a good hand, and be well recommended. Apply immediately to George Fraser, Elora. 18-41

AUCTION—For sale under a chattel mortgage, the thorough-bred Galloway Bull, "Prince Le Boe", rising 4 years. To be sold at the Guelph Market, on Saturday, 23rd Nov., at the hour of 11 o'clock. Terms, cash. Pedigree and all particulars apply to W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer, Guelph, Nov. 18th, 1872. 51d

MASONS, CARPENTERS, &c.—Tenders for the erection of an addition to the Woolen Mills of Armstrong, McCrae & Co., will be received till Saturday, 23rd Nov. Plans and specifications may be seen at their office. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. W. S. G. KNOWLES, McCRAE & CO., Guelph, Nov. 18, 1872. 51d

BUILDING LOTS FOR SALE—Two lots, each of 100 feet frontage, being a portion of the open space between the Curling Rink and Mr. Barclay's property, for sale. They are very convenient to the centre of the town, and will be sold cheap. For terms, &c., apply to the undersigned, Town Hall Buildings, Guelph. CHAS. DAVIDSON. 18-41

PICTURE FRAMING, The subscriber begs to inform his old customers and the public that he is prepared to do all kinds of Picture Framing at his shop in the building attached to the Old English Church, St. George's Square. Parties are invited to examine quality of work, and ascertain prices before going elsewhere. 18-41 C. SHEWAN.

STORE AND DWELLING FOR SALE—The subscriber offers for sale on reasonable terms, or will rent for a period, the store and dwelling at Bristol, Township of Erie, at present occupied by Mr. Mackelton, Postmaster there. The store is situated in a good locality, on the gravel road between Guelph and Erie. This is an excellent opening for a party with some capital, as a good business can be carried on, and arrangements may be made to continue the Post Office in connection with the store. For particulars apply to JAMES MASSIE, Guelph, Nov. 5th, 1872. daw

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869. In the matter of EDWARD T. A. PERRY, an Insolvent. NOTICE TO DEBTORS. All parties indebted to the estate of the above named Insolvent are requested to pay the same to the undersigned immediately, and save costs. EDWIN NEWTON, Assignee. Guelph, Nov. 12, 1872. (104d)

JAMES DOUGLAS STEWART, M.D., THE CELEBRATED OCUList & AURIST, Is now at the ROYAL HOTEL, GUELPH, and WILL REMAIN FRIDAY, 22nd November. Dr. Stewart devotes special attention to the treatment of diseases of the Eye and Ear. Persons who called to see him with Cataract, when at the Royal Hotel, in September, he wishes to see again. November 18th, 1872. 31d

MUSIC OF MANY LANDS. The Management has the honor of announcing that Mlle ROSA D'ERINA, (HERN'S PRIMA DONNA.) Will give one of her musical evenings, IN THE TOWN HALL, GUELPH, On Friday Evening, Nov. 22nd, Illustrative of the "Music of Many Lands," viz: France, Italy, Germany, Spain; England, Ireland, Scotland, and America.

In aid of St. Joseph's Hospital. Tickets, Reserved seats, 75c; Unreserved 50c. For sale at Messrs. Day's, Anderson's, and Harvey's.

A GRAND SACRED CONCERT Will be given in St. Bartholomew's Church, on SUNDAY, by Mlle D'ERINA, assisted by the Choir, for the same object. Tickets, 50 cents, to be had from the Committee. P. G. McCORT, Manager. Guelph, Nov. 18, 1872.

HATHER'S Store and Plough Depot. The subscriber would call the attention of the public to Kinney's Patent Improvement in Shove Furniture, by which pots, kettles, frying pans, &c., are so constructed, that no smoke, smell and steam from trying them or other cooking are conducted up the chimney as perfectly as in the old-fashioned three-piece Ladies, give them a trial. Sole agent for Guelph. A good assortment of STOVES, TINWARES and PLOUGHS always on hand, and at the lowest prices. W. HATHER, Corner Woolwich-st. and Eramosa Road, Guelph, 2nd August, 1871. dw

Guelph Evening Mercury

MONDAY EVENING, NOV. 18, 1872

RAILWAY TIME TABLE—Winter Arrangement—on After Monday, 18th November.

Grand Trunk Railway. Trains leave Guelph as follows: WEST. 2:17 a.m.; 9:45 a.m.; 1:50 p.m.; 6:00 p.m.; 8:38 p.m. To London, Godolphin, and Detroit. 1 To Berlin. EAST. 8:05 a.m.; 7:30 a.m.; 11:00 a.m.; 4:12 p.m. and 8:33 p.m. Great Western—Guelph Branch. Going South—6:50 a.m.; 12:35 p.m. 1:05 p.m. for Hamilton; 4:55 p.m. Going North—11:40 a.m. for Clifford; mixed 1:15 p.m. for Clifford; 4:55 p.m. for Fergus; 9:05 p.m. for Fergus.

Town and County News.

WORTH TALKING.—An exchange says that a novel yet simple device has served to destroy an unpleasant echo in the new court house at Bloomington, Ill.—Three or four small wires were stretched across the room at a proper height.

THE Collingwood Bulletin, speaking of the effort made in Guelph to establish a General Hospital, says our good town the following compliment:—"Guelph has rapidly risen to importance among Canadian towns through the enterprise of its citizens."

MESSRS. WISSLER, of Salem, the other day shipped a quantity of turkeys, geese, chickens and ducks. They have on hand about 1,000 turkeys, 500 ducks, 500 chickens, and several hundred geese. They are intended for the New York market.

REVERLEY.—On Friday evening, the 15th inst., a lecture was delivered in the School House No. 15, under the auspices of the Sons of Temperance, by Mr. McCaig, of the Galt Central School. Subject, "Double Current of our Lives." The lecture was a particularly able one, and listened to throughout by a large and attentive audience. This temperance division intend following up the present by a continuous course of lectures throughout the winter season, and we have no doubt that the energy and spirit thus displayed will be rewarded in the cause being largely patronized, and by an increased taste for literature being cultivated throughout the neighborhood.

THE MEETING AT MINOS.—On Friday the 25th ult., the Minos Sabbath School had a tea meeting previous to the closing of the school for the winter. Mr. John Scott, the Superintendent, presided, and suitable addresses were given by Rev. Mr. Holmes and Mr. M. H. Scott. The children sang a number of pieces very nicely during the evening. In the course of the evening Mr. John Scott was presented with a large and beautifully illustrated Family Bible, as a token of their respect for him, and as a mark of appreciation of his services as superintendent of the school. The presentation was made by Alex. Farr, and Miss Isabella Torrance read a complimentary address, to which Mr. Scott replied in suitable terms.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT TO MR. GOLDIE.—We regret to learn that a somewhat serious accident occurred to Mr. James Goldie on Saturday afternoon. He is at present building an engine house at the back of his mills, and for this purpose had cut deep down in the rock. While ascending the almost perpendicular rocky bank on the upper side, he stepped on to a loose rock, and finding his footing going he tried to jump on to a plank but fell among the loose stones below on his face. He received a severe contused wound on his forehead, extending back two or three inches. The nose and upper part of the face is also badly bruised. He also in his efforts to regain a footing received a severe strain about the back and chest, which temporarily affects his breathing. Dr. Cowan was at once sent for and did all he could for his patient. We are glad to learn that his injuries are not of a serious character, and that he will soon be able to be about again. To-day he has slightly improved, and is in a fair way of mending.

OBITUARY.—We regret to have to-day to record the death of Mr. John Tolton, farmer, Guelph Township, one of the oldest settlers, and a member of one of the most respected families in this district. Mr. Tolton had been complaining somewhat of a cold on Wednesday, was moving about the farm yard on Saturday, on Sunday evening his case was hopeless, and early on Monday morning he succumbed to a severe attack of inflammation of the lungs. Mr. John Tolton was the fourth son of the late Mr. William Tolton, who settled in the Township of Guelph in Sept., 1830, and has cultivated the front portion of the old homestead, following the occupation of a farmer, as do the well known cereal agriculturists, his brothers, Messrs. Thomas, William and Henry Tolton; another brother is the well known market buyer. Mr. John Tolton held the office of School Trustee in his section (No. 2) at the time of his death, and was a man of sterling character and greatly respected by his friends and acquaintances, who along with a large family, are now called upon to mourn his loss.

POLICE COURT. Before T. W. Saunders, Esq., M. P. Monday, Nov. 18. John Miller was charged by Chief Constable Kelly with disorderly conduct on Wyndham-st., on the 16th inst. Fined \$1 and costs.

CHEAP NEW WINTER CLOTHING at the Co-operative. See advertisement to-morrow.

BY TELEGRAPH

Murder in St. Louis.

St. Louis, Nov. 17.—Captain Dix, a well-known steamboat man, shot Robert W. Estlyn, of New Orleans at the Southern Hotel last night. The wounds are not dangerous.

Boiler Explosion in Cincinnati.

Cincinnati, Nov. 18.—The boiler of the locomotive attached to a freight train on the A. & G. W. Railway exploded near Springfield. The engineer and a brakeman were killed.

Suicide in Salt Lake City.

New Orleans, Nov.—Greeley's net majority in this State, as far as heard from, is 6,707. Beauregard is elected Administrator of Improvements.

Salt Lake City, Nov. 18.—W. T. Bowler, book-keeper of the Tribune of this City, was found dead yesterday near Hot Springs, having committed suicide by shooting himself through the head. His wife committed suicide several weeks since, and he has been drinking heavily since.

Weather cold and clear, and canons are filled with snow.

Centre Riding Ploughing Match.

The Centre Wellington ploughing match was held on Mr. Wm. Short's farm, lot 10, con. 2, Pilkington, near Alma, on Friday the 8th inst. Although the weather was far from favourable there was a good turn out both of ploughmen and spectators. Eleven ploughs started in the first class, four in the second and seven in the third. The work generally was very well done. Three gang ploughs competed for the prizes in that class. They were fully tested in both stubble and turnip ground, and all did their work well. Every person present was hospitably entertained by Mr. Short.

The ploughing, on the whole, was as good as was ever seen in these parts. There was great disappointment felt that there was no double furrow ploughs present, as a great number came especially to see them. The following is the PRIZE LIST.

1st CLASS, PLOUGHMEN.—1st prize, Jas. Munro, Eramosa; 2nd, Geo. Armstrong, Eramosa; 3rd, Wm. Richardson, Garrafrax; 4th, Ed. Buckland, Garrafrax; 5th, Geo. Wood, Eramosa.

2nd CLASS, BOYS BETWEEN 17 AND 21.—1st prize, Fred Armstrong, Eramosa; 2nd, Alex. Wilkie, Nichol; 3rd, G. Gerrie, Garrafrax; 4th, Joseph Stokney, 1st prize, Joseph Tidball, Nichol; 2nd, James Shand, Nichol; 3rd, James Richardson, Garrafrax; 4th, John Shand, Nichol; 5th, Wm. Gordon, Nichol.

3rd CLASS, BOYS UNDER 17.—1st prize, James Paterson, 1st prize, James Modellan, Salem; 2nd, John Cornie, Belmont; 3rd, John Bellamy, (Stratford plough, Fergus); 3rd, John Bellamy, (Stratford plough).

Three Children Burned.

On Friday last the 8th inst., Mrs. Parsons, the wife of a farm labourer, left her cabin, on the 4th concession, Scarborough, and went to her neighbours, Mrs. Ham, about twenty rods distance to borrow some soft soap, having left her three children—two boys aged three years, and a girl two years old—in the bed asleep. After remaining about fifteen or twenty minutes, she started for home. On reaching Mrs. Ham's door she discovered smoke bursting from the side of her cabin, and shouted to Mrs. Ham that her house was on fire. Mrs. Ham ran with her with all possible haste and Mrs. Parsons rushed the door and opened it when a volume of smoke and flames burst forth in her face which caused her to fall. She rose and again attempted to go in, but the whole interior of the cabin was in a blaze. Mrs. Ham raised the alarm and Mr. Munro and son and Mr. Ham, who were working in a field about 120 rods off, heard her, saw the shanty on fire and ran to assist her, but when they reached the cabin the fire was bursting out of all the crevices of the shanty, and the heat had become so intense that they could do nothing. So soon as the building fell and the fire could be subdued the remains of the three children were found completely charred, lying in the position the mother had placed them in the bed.—Markham Economist.

THE NORTHERN PACIFIC ROUTE.

The U. S. War Department has received an official report of the military expedition which recently accompanied the surveying party of the Northern Pacific Railroad from the point in Dakota where that road crosses the Missouri river to the crossing of the Yellowstone river in Montana, near the mouth of the Powder river. No serious trouble was occasioned by the Indians, and the engineers were enabled to make careful surveys and effect a final location of the railroad line across the section of the country referred to, being a distance of about 285 miles. A practicable and excellent route was found without difficulty, and without any serious diversification from a straight line. The river valleys along which the line mainly runs were found to be uniformly fertile, and no "bad lands" are traversed by the route selected. Great was abundant all the way from the Missouri to the Yellowstone, and good water was found at convenient intervals during the entire march. Extensive beds of igneous and semiblastic coal were found at frequent intervals for a distance of one hundred and fifty miles. Timber exists in considerable quantities, especially in the river valleys, and consists mainly of oak, ash and cottonwood.

Our old acquaintance, Mr. W. F. Saxon, who stumped South Wellington for the Tory candidates in 1867, is boring the electors of Welland in the Tory interest.

Local and Other Items.

The track of the Midland Railway is within six miles of Orillia. Snow has fallen to the depth of twenty inches at Port Rowan, Picton and Ottawa.

The butter dealers of Seaforth have appointed a trader of twenty years' experience as inspector of butter.

The Supreme Court of the Dominion so long talked of, is said to be among the measures to be laid before Parliament at Ottawa.

An unexpected denouement of the embargo between Japan and Corea is the proposition by the latter by the gift of copper money.

POULTRY are said to be dying along the banks of the Susquehanna, in Pennsylvania, by thousands from an epizootic disease, which appears very general.

OKLAHOMA has been sold to Mr. John T. Shewell, formerly of Kingston, for \$6,000. Very little interest was taken in the sale, and the competition was weak.

The Halton Herald says the roads to Bronte are quite up to par; nly one mud hole 17 miles long; passengers by stage afraid to talk for fear their tongues will get a sudden nip.

Mr. HUGH HAMILTON, of Wrozelet, formerly of Downie, has received the appointment of Crown Land Agent for the County of Huron, in place of the late Mr. Charles Widder.

A BANQUET has been given in London, appropriately presided over by the Earl of Kimberley, Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, for the purpose of celebrating the opening of the Australian telegraph.

The Land Department of the Northern Pacific Railway gives notice that there are abundant government lands, of the very finest quality, along the line of that road in Central Minnesota, which are open to settlement as free homesteads. Lands of this character, near to railroads, are now comparatively scarce in the West.

The Maryboro' Council, at its last meeting, passed a resolution favouring the Harrison County scheme, should a new County be formed, but at the same time stating that the Council is opposed at present to any new County being formed including that township.

In addition to Frondo, Tyndall and Macdonald, as lecturers in Montreal during the coming winter, the name of Stanley, the discoverer of Livingstone, is to be added. He will deliver at least one lecture in Montreal near the end of December, his subject being his fortunate finding of the great African explorer.

HARVARD COLLEGE has suffered by the Boston fire to the extent of \$562,000. This amount includes the value of the land. It will cost \$300,000 to rebuild it. Towards this it has \$100,000 good insurance out of the \$216,000 for which it was insured. The permanent loss is thus reduced to \$200,000.

The Council of Agriculture for Quebec have a scheme in hand for the establishment of a national stud for the purpose of improving the breed of horses, in which Quebec now carries on a large trade with the United States. It is said that such a measure would be of immense advantage to the Province.

The dedication of the splendid new Masonic Hall, of Parthenon Lodge, Chatham, took place on the 14th, which was followed by a grand ball the same evening. The Banner says the Hall is magnificently furnished, and is beyond all question the finest Masonic Hall in Western Ontario.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—The Hamilton Times says that on Wednesday evening last, as a farmer named William Jaggard, of Barton, was returning home from the city, after disposing of some wood, he fell out of his wagon, on the mountain, and broke his neck. He lived until Friday morning. Jaggard was under the influence of liquor at the time.

On Friday evening a destructive fire occurred at Detroit, the car-works of the Michigan Central Railway, with all their costly plant and the workmen's tools, being utterly destroyed. The damage is estimated at \$100,000, but it is believed that the company's property was fully insured. To the exertions of the firemen, aided by the railway employees and citizens, is attributed the fact that the conflagration was confined to the premises in which it broke out.

A YOUNG MAN named John Bell, of Picton, on his way home from a pleasure excursion, stepped off the down mixed train, while standing at Whitby station on Saturday. He attempted to cross the track in front of a freight train moving up the side and was knocked over by the cow-catcher. The engine wheels ran over one of his legs, which will have to be amputated at the knee.

SUDDEN DEATH.—About half-past 15 o'clock on Sunday morning, Mrs. Gemley, Toronto, was seized with an epileptic fit. Dr. W. W. Ogden was immediately sent for and administered restoratives, and after a short time succeeded in bringing her to consciousness. She however grew gradually weaker, and expired at 6 o'clock the same morning. The deceased was the wife of the Rev. John Gemley, and was beloved by all who knew her.

DISASTROUS STORM.—The storm which raged in the north of Europe on Wednesday and Thursday was very disastrous throughout Denmark as well on her coasts. The wind blew a hurricane, and rain and snow fell incessantly. The streams rose to an unusual height, overflowing their banks and inundating the country for miles around. Great damage was done to the seaport towns, and numerous marine disasters occurred. Reports of the loss of twenty-four ships have been already received. Half of the town of Peseo, in the island of Zealand on the Baltic, was laid waste by the force of the wind. The small island of Botoe was entirely submerged by water and every inhabitant was drowned.

The Toronto correspondent of the Montreal Witness says: The appointment of a successor to the Vice-Chancellorship, vacated by the Premier, continues to engross attention in legal circles. Mr. Proudfoot is the candidate who at present is considered to stand the best chance of success, though it is taken for granted that the interview between Vice-Chancellor Spragge, who goes to Ottawa expressly for that purpose, and Sir John Macdonald will lead to a definite decision on the point.

The municipal elections throughout England resulted in heavy Conservative gains, which is attributed to the passage by Parliament and the enforcement of the Licensing act. Much dissatisfaction was felt at the working of the new ballot act. At some of the polling places the process of voting was so slow that many persons were unable to cast their ballots before the hour arrived for closing the polls.

Largest Land Sale Ever Made to a Single Person.

(From The Kansas City Times.)

On Friday last a formal sale was made by General Robt. E. Carr, President of the Kansas Pacific Railway, to George Grant, Esq., of London, England, of a large body of land, covering twenty-four square miles of territory, lying contiguous to the Kansas Pacific Railway, in Ellis county, Kansas. The tract extends thirteen miles along the railway, twenty-four miles along Victoria River, thirteen miles across the country to Smoky Hill River, and has seven miles of water frontage on the Smoky Hill River. A new city, to be called "Victoria," will be laid out along the railway. A fine station house will be built, and all the necessary water tanks, stock yards, etc., to properly conduct the business of an important station, will be supplied. The railway officials offered to name the city after Mr. Grant, the purchaser, but with great modesty declined the honour and preferred to have it called after his Queen. This extensive purchase will result in untold good to our country. Mr. Grant, with his usual energy and good taste, will expend a large amount in laying out a park, and in erecting buildings, tree-planting, etc. He will go to England at once, and expects to return to this country in March with a fine selection of blood horses, cattle, etc. A number of experienced farmers, stock-raisers, etc., will also be sent over. It is Mr. Grant's intention to sub-divide his purchase into farms of various sizes, to erect farm houses thereon, and to sell lands and improvements at fair rates, and upon terms which will enable every industrious person to obtain a good home in a fine section of the country.

The Trapping Season.

Peltries of this season's catch are beginning to come into the furriers, but they are very scarce. Mink skins are not more than "prime," and the fur is nothing like as good as it was this time last year. Fur dealers have opened the season by paying from four to five dollars each for prime mink, and the prospects are that higher prices will be paid in December. There are no marten skins of this season's catch offered yet, but the fur is good. Otter is in good condition but like other fine peltries they are scarce. The number of fur traders out through the trapping grounds this season is much larger than any other year, and most of them are furnished with cash to make their purchases, instead of the tending dry goods and jewelry. The Indians and trappers are not to be fooled into parting with their peltries for anything but cash, and the fur trader has only a very small margin of profit compared with what he had a few years ago. Ottawa Citizen.

THAT AMERICAN FLAG.—Sergeant James, once a "bounty jumper" in the American army, has arrived in England for the purpose of showing the world, at large, the respect that Englishmen have for the American flag. He has made a wager of \$1,000 to \$100 that he can travel on foot from the Scotch border to London, travelling through Kendal, Preston, Bolton, Manchester, Macclesfield, Birmingham, Warwick and Oxford, bearing the banner of the United States with him unfurled. We have no doubt, in our mind, that the sergeant will win his wager; that no one will molest him, but in all probability he will be most hospitably received and cared for, wherever he goes. We would be willing, however, to reverse the wager with the sergeant, that if a bull-headed Englishman were to try the experiment of walking from New York to New Orleans via Chicago with the British flag unfurled, as a short staff, that in less than 24 hours there would not be an atom left of that bull-headed Englishman, nor a shred of that glorious old "Flag that's braved for a thousand years the battle and the breeze." The law that would be sent up by the press of the United States would be sufficient to split the Union.

AN ORATOR SPOILED.—A rough looking but well-informed farmer, living in Cayuga County, N. Y., was once selected as a party standard bearer and sent to the Legislature. As he arose from his seat another member, not seeing him, commenced talking, whereupon the Speaker of the House said: "The gentleman from Cayuga has the floor." Looking around upon his fellow-legislators, his courage failed, and his tongue refused to do the bidding of his intellect. Finally he stammered out: "I only got up to spit," and sat down amid a roar of laughter from all who heard it. The next morning the Albany Switch reported this able speech in full, and the political farmer was never allowed to forget his patriotic attempt to enlighten the law-makers of the Empire State.

VAMPOURED THE RANCH.—J. B. Cook, of the Toronto Express, has left for parts unknown, letting in everybody who was foolish enough to trust him. Editors, printers, paper-makers, tailors, hotel-keepers and others are victims of their own credulity in trusting a man known to be destitute of every principle of honor. Report says that in some pecuniary transactions which certain of your own good citizens he comes out with anything but clean hands. The Express which was one of John A.'s special organs, will, if it has not already, now collapse.

The Toronto correspondent of the Montreal Witness says: The appointment of a successor to the Vice-Chancellorship, vacated by the Premier, continues to engross attention in legal circles. Mr. Proudfoot is the candidate who at present is considered to stand the best chance of success, though it is taken for granted that the interview between Vice-Chancellor Spragge, who goes to Ottawa expressly for that purpose, and Sir John Macdonald will lead to a definite decision on the point.

The municipal elections throughout England resulted in heavy Conservative gains, which is attributed to the passage by Parliament and the enforcement of the Licensing act. Much dissatisfaction was felt at the working of the new ballot act. At some of the polling places the process of voting was so slow that many persons were unable to cast their ballots before the hour arrived for closing the polls.