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Guelph Evening Mercury
OFFICE: MACDONNELL STREET.
THURSDAY EV'NG. FEB. 27, 1868.

The Maiden's Choice

OR, THE LADY OF BRINKENLEUCH.
A Tale of the Covenanters.

"Ay, truly," rejoined Cringan, "I guessed at the time what it was meant. I thought it had reference to a secret which had for many years been confined to her breast and mine, which she wished to communicate to you as she wished to know how I should feel. And Heaven knows I never would, but for this amazing discovery. But I must be silent no longer, my child, for silence now would be a terrible sin."

"Helen felt that a fearful revelation was about to be made, and, drawing a low seat to her father's side, sat down upon it, and laying her arms on his knees, looked breathlessly into his face. But she spoke not, and the old wretch went on."

"Before your mother and I were married she did not conceal from me that she had committed a fearful error, the fruit of which was a child."

Helen screamed as if a venomous beast had stung her, and started to her feet in horror and indignation.

"Is it of my mother you speak thus?" she exclaimed, with flashing eyes, heaving breast, and dilated nostrils. "She capable of a lapse from virtue—she so pure, so good, so true? Father, this is monstrous. How should you blurt it out to me, for a moment? My mother, oh, my mother—a saint on earth, an angel in heaven—forgive him this shameful truth!"

"Be calm, Helen, be calm," said her father, somewhat dismayed by this outburst, but not a whit driven from his fiendish purpose.

"Your mother as you know her was all that you say, and in no matter though she was too magnanimous to cast blame on the companion of her youthful indiscretion, yet I have reason to believe that little of the sin fell to her share. It was honourable in her, as it was not in Helen, to tell me the truth before we were made man and wife? I admired her for it, and it made no difference in our intentions. One thing she sought from me, however, and that was that I should not ask the name of her betrayer. The child, she said, was out of the way, and would never trouble us, and it was best for both that I should never know its father. I willingly agreed to this, and faithfully abode by the agreement, for never once did I seek to learn the name of the man who had wronged her. But I know it now. It was Sir Gilbert BARROW, and their child was RICHARD WAYLAND."

"Poor Helen! The blow was crushing. She staggered, and without a word or a cry she sank to the floor in a swoon."

This result alarmed Cringan not a little. He expected her to be shocked and agitated, but this deadly faint was more than he looked for, and his heart was swollen with fear when he beheld her stretched senseless at his feet, white and motionless as a corpse.

He knelt down, fanned her with his hat, wiped her hands, and spoke in soothing whispers. He dared not call for help, for the cause of her swoon might become known. There was no water or other restorative in the room, and he was not used to do. "Women have such weak nerves," he muttered. "They can stand nothing. I looked for a squall or a cry, but not for a faint like this. Let me see—I'll try this plan."

And lifting her passive hand, he deliberately bit one of her fingers with his file-like teeth.

This sent a quiver through her girlish frame, and the blood came slowly back to her ashen cheeks. Then, in a little, she heaved a long sigh and opened her eyes.

For some moments she looked vacantly up at the sharp hard face that was bending over her, and the sight of it served to recal her thoughts to the point at which they had been swallowed in unconsciousness.

"Oh, father, father, this is terrible, terrible," she murmured. "I hope in God the ground for your last statement is without foundation. My mind recoils from the whole of it, my heart struggles to reject it all; for your foul words are too horrible to be received."

The miser shook his head, and heaved a hypocritical sigh.

"Like you, Helen," he replied, "like you, I too, would have rejected it had any one but your mother herself been the author. But I have it in my own handwriting, and there is no room for disbelief. Last night, after you had left, I was seeking for something in your mother's cabinet, when unwittingly my hand touched a secret spring, and a small drawer flew open, in which I saw a paper lying. I took it out. It was sealed and addressed to me in your mother's handwriting. I opened it, read the contents, and learned what I now tell you. Here is the letter."

Helen instantly held out her hand to take it, but Cringan kept it firmly in his grasp. The moment had come for his master stroke to be played, and he trembled for the result, for everything hung upon it. Should Helen insist on seeing the inside of the paper he held in his hand, his life would become manifest, for it was nothing more than an old letter addressed to him by his wife, containing nothing of importance. But this point of view he had well studied, and he met the emergency with consummate art.

"In this paper, Helen, your mother trusts to my honour that I will let no eye perceive it but my own. She emphatically forbids me to show it even to you. Still if you are determined to disregard her injunction, I will let you read it."

"Oh, I must—I must read it!" cried Helen impulsively.

"Reflect a few moments, my child, reflect before you break forever my peace and your own. Should I allow you to read this paper it will be on my spirit like a weight bending me to the dust that I disregarded her solemn request; and you, Helen, will be burdened with undying reproaches for having caused me so to do. Reflect, then, I say, and when you have done so, if you still wish to see it you shall; only it will save my honour and preserve you from increasing regret if you will be content with learning from me the substance of the paper, which will give you faithfully. Now decide."

"I want nothing but to know the contents," answered Helen, to the secret joy of the listener. "Tell me what is in the paper—quick the worst, the worst!"

TO BE CONTINUED.

FAILURE OF BEET ROOT REFINING IN IRELAND.—Replying to Dr Neumann's suggestion about the introduction of sugar manufacture from beet in Ireland, the executive secretary of a company established at Mountmellick, says: "The results of the experiment were financially a complete failure, as, although excellent sugar was manufactured, the cost of producing it was excessive; and unless the continental system could be introduced of combining farming the land necessary for growing the beet and fattening cattle with the refining-matter, it would be certain to result in a loss, even in the amount of saccharine matter in beet root grown in Ireland were equal to that grown on the continent, which is very doubtful, as it is well known that although roots grown in the United Kingdom are finer looking than those grown elsewhere, it arises mainly from the excessive moisture of our climate, and the increased bulk is mostly water."

The grocery merchants of Toronto intend holding a meeting on Thursday next to discuss the sugar duties, with a view to reducing the same. Great dissatisfaction is expressed at the working of the present tariff.

The British Iron Fleet.
The Times is of opinion that the Constructive Department of the Navy has failed deplorably in providing us with efficient ironclads, capable of keeping the sea and fighting their guns. This is the true and the real excuse for the late and present Boards of Admiralty in leaving us so far behind the strength in numbers which we ought now to possess. The Constructive Department, while professing an abstract admiration for the turret system of fighting large guns, has devoted all its energies to broadside ships, and done nothing comparatively to perfect the advantages and remedy the shortcomings of the other system. We are lamentably deficient in coast-guard and harbour iron clads, to which, by the admission of the Admiralty, the turret system is admirably adapted. If we are destined to have a good sea-going turret ship we shall owe it to private designers; and meanwhile, in the broadsides which have been constructed under the supervision of the present controller and constructor there has been a deplorable want of success. It is well known that the Mian-tongh and other sea-going turret ships of the American navy roll in bad weather far less than their broadside convoys, but we have not a single turret-ship in commission or capable of crossing the Atlantic. The prospect seems to us very serious. We must build ironclads, but our present officials do not know how to build them. Our first duty however, is to ascertain our deficiencies, in the hope that our next proceeding may be to remedy them.

THE MIXTURE OF RACES IN CALIFORNIA.
—A California correspondent writes: "The intermixture of races in California is beyond all precedent in the history of mankind—and what the third or fourth generation may be like, or what language they will speak, are questions to puzzle the scientific inquirer. I know of marriages between Yankees and Digger Indians, Irish and Chinese, Mexican and Malay, Portuguese and Spanish Islanders, English Canadians and Negro, French and Apache, to say nothing of the more common intermarriages to be seen in all parts of America. And the way the English language must suffer in the mouths of the descendants of these oddly-coupled people will be terrible. Yet even now, the most familiar terms of Spanish have become grafted on our English, so that they can never be detached again, and words from every language on earth, from Chinese to Kanaka, are working in. A laughable illustration of the effect of this jumbling together of the races came under my observation the other day. I had entered a bootmaker's to have a little job done, and said to the shop-keeper, as a necessary preliminary, 'You speak English?' His answer, delivered promptly and unhesitatingly, was 'Si, senior, certainly; you bet.' There were three languages all in one sentence, and the good man straightened himself up, with a look of proud satisfaction at the thought that he could speak English like a native. He was an Italian, I believe."

COMMERCIAL.
The Guelph Markets.
MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH.
February 27, 1868.

Flour, 100 lbs	3 75	3 40
Fall-Wheat, 2 bush	1 65	1 70
Spring Wheat, 2 bush	1 50	1 53
Oats, 2 bush	0 55	0 58
Peas, do	0 50	0 50
Barley, do	1 00	1 10
Hay, 1 ton	11 00	13 00
Shingles, 2 square	1 00	1 50
Wood, 2 cord	3 00	3 50
Eggs, 1 doz	0 25	0 25
Butter, 1 lb	0 14	0 15
Butter, 1/2 lb	0 14	0 15
Potatoes, do	0 20	0 20
Apples, 1 barrel	2 00	2 00
Lamb, 1 lb	0 60	0 60
Beef, do	0 50	0 60
Pork, 1 lb	0 65	0 65
Butter, 1 lb	0 14	0 15
Sheep, 1 lb	0 50	0 50
Lambskins	0 40	0 45
Hides	0 00	0 00

Money Market.
JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE, GUELPH, February 27, 1868.

Gold, 141 1/2
Greenbacks, bought at 70 to 70 1/2; sold at 70 1/2 to 71.
Silver bought at 4 1/2 to 4 5/8; sold at 4 1/2 to 4 5/8.
Upper Canada Bank bills, bought at 25; sold at 25.
Commercial Bank bills, bought at 25; sold at 25.
Rate in silver.

MONTREAL MARKETS.
Kirkwood, Livingston & Co's report by Special Telegram to Evening Mercury.

MONTREAL, February 27, 1868.

Flour—Fancy, \$7 60 to \$7 75; Superior No. 1, \$7 45 to \$7 60; Welland Canal, \$7 60. Hog Flour, \$3 60 to \$7 75; Oats, 40¢ to 45¢; Barley, 50¢ to \$1. Butter—dairy, 15¢ to 20¢; store packed 15¢ to 20¢. Ashes—Potash, \$4 to \$4 42; pearls, \$5 to \$5 45.

Four small arrivals, market unchanged.—Grain no transactions. Provisions—Pork steady; Hens steady with fair demand; Butter scarce and wanted. Ashes—potash shade better; pearls neglected.

GUELPH LUMBER MARKET.
(Corrected by Messrs. Gowdy & Stewart, of Wellington Lumber Yard.)

Clear 1 1/2 and 2 inch Plank from \$20 00 @ \$25 00	
1 1/2 inch Flooring	15 00 @ 16 00
Common 1 1/2 and 1 3/4 inch Flooring	14 00 @ 16 00
1 1/2 inch Boards and 2 1/2 inch Plank	9 00 @ 10 00
Scantling all sizes up to 16 feet	8 00 @ 10 00
" and doisting from 8 to 20"	12 00 @ 14 00
Shingles No. 1 Saw	22 16 30 @ 26 00
" Cut	1 70 @ 1 75
" 2 Cut and Saw	1 10 @ 1 25
" Split	1 10 @ 1 15
Laths 6 feet	0 40 @ 0 45
Water Lime per barrel	1 87 1/2 @ 1 90
Plaster (California)	4 50 @ 5 50

Guelph, Jan. 30, 1868.

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W. MARSHALL'S
Bay's Block, opposite the Market.
Guelph, 13th January, 1868.

REMOVED TO TORONTO
OLD DR. ANDREWS'S Dispensary for Private Diseases
where he continues to treat both sexes with unlimited success, all diseases of a private nature, and Chronic Gonorrhoea, and his office, 125 Queen Street West, corner of St. James Street.

Particular attention given to Painless Complaints.

DR. ANDREWS'S FEMALE PILLS, infallible in correcting irregularities, removing obstructions from any cause whatever, and the only safe, sure, and certain remedy for all those afflicting complaints so peculiar to the female sex. They are nothing new, but have been used by the Doctor for many years. Expensive directions stating when they should not be used, with each box. Pills sent on address on receipt of one dollar. All letters will be answered post-paid. Dr. Andrews, Box 79, Toronto, C. W., and contains a post age stamp if an answer is desired.

Hours of Consultation from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Toronto, 22nd Nov. 1868.

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(LIMITED.)

CLIPMERS Weekly from Liverpool and New York, calling at Queenstown.

A Steamship of this line, consisting of the Queen Erin, England, Virginia, and Helvetia, Pennsylvania and France. Leaves NEW YORK, SATURDAY, 27th Inst., every Saturday, and Liverpool on Wednesday of each week, calling at Queenstown each way.

The size of these Steamships admits of very spacious state-rooms, and the general arrangement of the Saloon, the accommodation and fare are unsurpassed, and the rates lower than any other line.

For tickets, special berths, and all information, apply to **J. W. MURTON,** General Passage Agent, No. 9, James Street, Hamilton, 26th Nov. 1867.

BOOTS & SHOES
At Wholesale Prices.

HAVING a large stock of BOOTS and SHOES, which must be sold during the NEXT TWO MONTHS, I will offer the same during that time at Wholesale Prices. Note prices and be convinced that you will save from 25 to 50 per cent. per pair by buying at me.

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Kingston Penitentiary
BOOT AND SHOE STORE.

Men's Coarse Boots!

FORMER PRICES.—No. 1, \$5.00; No. 2, \$2.75; No. 3, \$2.50.
PRESENT PRICES.—No. 1, \$2.75; No. 2, \$2.50; No. 3, \$2.25.

Boys' Boots from \$1.70; Youth's Boots from \$1.35 to \$1.50.
Women's Boots from \$1.10 to \$1.50.

With a large variety of everything in the line at equally low prices.

For terms, call on the place—Kingston Penitentiary Boot and Shoe Store.
All work warranted.

ORIDIFORD,
Guelph, 4th November, 1867.

LUMBER, LUMBER.
GOWDY & STEWART
Wellington Lumber Yard, Guelph.

BEING to inform retail dealers and the public generally that they have erected a saw-mill on the Grand Trunk Railway, where they will constantly on hand all kinds of lumber, such as Laths, Shingles, &c. Also, cut to order, all kinds of mill stuff, and shipped to any station on the line.

It will be carried on as usual, under the supervision of Mr. FRANCIS SMALL, where enquiries may be had in the shape of Lumber that is kept in a retail yard.

The subscribers trust that by strict attention to business and moderate charges, that they will receive in the future, the patronage of a liberal share of public patronage.

All orders for Lumber to be sent to any station, but freight must be added to Georgetown, where Mr. Gowdy can be seen personally from Monday morning to Thursday evening, and by letter on Friday morning to Saturday evening.

GOWDY & STEWART,
Guelph, 20th June, 1868.

WILLIAM BROWNLOW
(Late Tovel & Brownlow.)
Carpenter and Undertaker,
In front of the Wellington Hotel,
DOUGLAS STREET, GUELPH.

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Guelph, 6th June, 1867.

JOHN TOVELL,
COFFIN MAKER,
Douglas Street, Guelph.
Guelph, Sept. 20, 1867.

Valuable Tavern Stand FOR SALE.

THE subscriber offers for sale the following valuable Tavern Stand in the village of Rockwood:—

THE COMMERCIAL HOTEL, close to the Railway Station. It is only recently built, contains 12 apartments, and has a very large and well finished Ball Room or Hall; also large and commodious stables and a building shop, with a large supplied with hard and soft water, with wood shed, pig sty, splendid garden, and all other conveniences. From its nearness to the station, and the excellent accommodation it supplies, it does the largest and most profitable business in Rockwood.

THE WELLINGTON HOTEL. This house is situated at the heart of the village, and close to the mills and stores. It was recently built, and after being burnt down, and is now rented for \$250 a year. It contains 12 apartments, with stone wood shed, driving shed, pig sty, and large frame stable. There is a plentiful supply of water on the premises.

For terms and other particulars apply to the undersigned (if by letter post-paid) at the Commercial Hotel, near the G. T. Station, Rockwood.

WILLIAM STOVELL,
Rockwood, 30th October, 1867.

THE CONFESIONS & EXPERIENCE OF AN UNWEDD'D
PUBLISHED for the benefit and as a CAUTION to Young Men and others, who suffer from Nervous Debility, Premature Decay of Manhood, or any other kind of debility, arising from self-abuse, by one who has cured himself after undergoing considerable quackery. The application, by paying postage on his letter, will receive a copy free of charge from the author.

NATHANIEL MAYFAIR, Esq.,
726-2m Brooklyn, Kings Co., N. Y.

BRITISH AMERICAN COMMERCIAL COLLEGE.
PUBLIC TESTIMONY.
(From Lyman & MacNab, Wholesale Hardware Merchants.)
Toronto, 13th September, 1866.

Messrs Messrs. G. & W. H. A. Commercial College, Toronto.
DEAR SIR,—We have much pleasure in testifying to the order of training for commercial purposes obtained by the young men educated at your College.

We have now in our employment one of your graduates, who, notwithstanding the fact that he never had any previous experience, has proved himself a most reliable, accurate and efficient Book-keeper.

We may further state, that having had occasion to engage another officer band, we gave a decided preference to one of your graduates. In short, we have no hesitation in saying, that as far as our experience goes, your course of training is eminently adapted to make a thoroughly efficient office man.

Yours truly,
LYMAN & MACNAB,
(From Morrison, Taylor & Co., Wholesale Provision Dealers.)
Toronto, May 21, 1867.

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DEAR SIR,—We can confidently recommend your establishment to the business public, from which we select the most efficient and capable young men in our employ for training to the efficient system taught in your College, and the accurate habits derived therefrom, and though different philosophies, rules, and varieties of commerce are to be rendered the knowledge applicable to each new feature in each peculiar system.

Our pupils are worthy of every appreciation in the forming a sound Commercial Education, of the intelligent youth of Canada, and though occasionally students fall to become proficient, it can only be attributed to lack of ability on the student's part and not the incapacity of the tutor. We shall ever give and advise preference to your pupils for an office, and feel glad to thus attest our experience of the same.

We remain, Gentlemen, yours, &c.,
MORRISON, TAYLOR, & CO.,
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For Circulars, Penmanship, Bank Notes, &c., address
MUSGROVE & WRIGHT,
Guelph, 4th Feb. 1868. (dw)

Great Cure of Liver Complaint and Dyspepsia in Canada.

Consecon, Prince Edward Co., C. W., March, 1867.

Messrs. Young & Chamberlain—Sir—Having proved within my own person that there is at least a medicine that will indeed cure Liver Complaint and Dyspepsia, I am induced to make this statement, under oath, which is to certify that I have been sorely afflicted for the last three years, according to the Doctor's statements, with Liver Complaint and Dyspepsia. I had a feeling of sinking and vague uneasiness about the stomach, worse than pain, cramp-like in character, occasional pain, drowsiness, constipation, uneasiness in the right side, headache, a poor appetite, &c., and was greatly reduced in strength. I had your Indian medicine, the Great Shoshonees Remedy, spoken of so highly. I tried a bottle with you, Pills, from these I must say I found but little change, but I took another and then found my health improving. I continue to take it, and I find that I have quite recovered. I eat hearty without pain or uneasiness. I am well and have pleasure in attending to my business. The doctor remarked to me I was looking much better. I find that the Great Shoshonees Remedy was doing it. I have recommended the Remedy in several cases, and it has invariably given good results. I can confidently recommend it to all afflicted as I was.

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A Commissioner in Q. B., in and for the Co. of Prince Edward, C. W., No. 725.

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For Diseases of the Throat, Lungs, Liver, Digestive Organs, Kidneys, &c., as well as Scrofula, the various Skin Diseases, Humors, and all diseases arising from Impurities of the Blood, we boldly state that the great remedy has never been equalled. Where there was cure, such a cure as that of the person of WILSON TOMES of Brimley, C. W., of Consumption; or that of Peter C. MILLER, of Earnestown, C. W., of Consumption; or that of AMBROSE WOOD of Consecon, C. W., of Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint; or that of JOHN HOSEY of Napanee, C. W., of Rheumatism, who has actually been on crutches for years in spite of all treatment heretofore, and is now well. Scores of such cases might be mentioned if we had space.

Call at the Drug Store and get a Circular, or of any of our Agents on the Great Shoshonees Remedy and Pills, and satisfy yourselves.

Price of the Remedy in large plates \$1. For sale by all Druggists and Dealers in Medicine. Agents for Guelph—N. Higinbotham, E. Harvey, A. B. Petrie. Wholesale Agents—N. Higinbotham.

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Have you Ringworm or Tetter?
Have you the Blood Ulcer?
Have you Scald Head or Scourf?
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Have you an Old Sore or Tumor?
Have you Scrofula or King's Evil?
Are you a martyr to Salt Rheum?
Are you annoyed with foul eruptions?
Have you Syphilis or Venereal Diseases?
Are you suffering with Fever and Ague?
Are you troubled with White Swellings?
Are you the victim of the excessive use of salom? Purify the Blood.

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GREAT REDUCTION IN PRICE of the AMERICAN WATCH

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We are frequently asked why we don't advertise prices. We reply that we only supply the trade and our Watches are now kept by most respectable houses, the public can rely on being served at a fair advance on the Manufacturers' List. Our trade marks are AMERICAN WATCH CO., APPLETON, TRACY & CO., WALTHAM WATCH CO., P. S. BARTLETT, W. ELLERY, HOME WATCH CO. Guaranteed in all cases by special certificate (except the HOME CO., which is warranted by the seller. The purchaser should always require the certificate, as there are Swiss counterfeits for sale in some places.

**ROBBINS & APPLETON, New York, } General Agents.
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D. SAVAGE, Agent, Guelph.

December 10th, 1867.

Commercial Union Assurance Co'y.
STATEMENT IN COMPLIANCE WITH ACT OF PARLIAMENT, 23rd Vict., Cap. 33, Section 11.

THE Capital of this Company is £2,500,000 sterling, divided into 50,000 shares of £50 each. The number of shares issued is 50,000. Calls to the amount of £5 per share have been made, under which the sum of £250,000 has been received.

THE LIABILITIES of the Company on the 1st day of July, 1867, were:

On Notes and Bills	£ 25,144 3d
On Estimated Liabilities, including Duty, Fire, Life, and Marine Losses	30,900 0d
	£56,044 3d

THE ASSETS of the Company on that day were:

Government Securities	£58,787 13 4	£54,052 0 6
Consols	35,999 9 0	31,569 17 11
New 3 per cents		86,212 18 5
Bills (Drafts not matured)		413,193 8 3
Cash at bankers and others		7,806 4 3
Stamps in hand		482 15 0
On deposit at bankers, &c.		25,000 0 0
		44,482 8 6

Other Securities—
Madras Railway Debentures £ 9,000 0 0
Lancashire and Yorkshire Debentures 2,786 3 3
Delhi Railway Stock 15,388 1 9
Ceylon Company's Debentures 10,000 0 0
Great Southern of India Railway Shares 29,876 5 7
Canada 5 per cent. Stock (unsubscribed) 10,000 0 0
78,050 10 7

Freehold Offices in Cornwall £ 65,848 0 0
Due from Agents, &c. 35,778 14 8
Loans on Mortgage, &c. 35,960 0 6
137,586 14 8

Amount of Losses due and unpaid £12,505 0 0
do do on suspense 800 0 0
Payment retained 13,696 0 0

Amount of Premiums—
Earned during the Year 642,758 8 1
Unearned 35,960 0 6
57,745 11 7

J. JAMES ROSE, of the City of Montreal, merchant, one of the General Agents for Canada of the Commercial Union Assurance Company do hereby certify, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing statement correct and true.

Sworn before me, at the City of Montreal, this 80th day of JANUARY, 1868.

A. M. DUNN, J. P.

Agents for Guelph, McLACAN & INNES.
Guelph, Feb. 12th, 1868.

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GROUND PLASTER

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300 TONS,

Instead of 500, and we would therefore advise those requiring any to purchase early.

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