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HOLLIS STREET, HALIFAX, N.S.

THIS Hotel is the largest and most commodious in the city of Halifax, and being centrally situated will be found most convenient for business men and tourists.
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Halifax, 12th August. dw3m

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A. M. F. GIANELLI, Proprietor, Montrea
Montreal 30th April dw6m

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Guelph, July 13th. dw1y

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A CAPITAL FARM.

Likewise there is a farm of 90 acres of the best land in the county, and the best cultivated, and will produce more per acre this season than any farm of its size in this county. Three barns and feeding stable and log house are on the farm. Also a running spring creek, and other springs that never fail. The fences are of board and new. The farm is laid out in ten acre fields. All the farm implements are new, and will be sold if desired at valuation.

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TERMS—For the hotel property, half cash down will be required, the remainder to be paid in six yearly instalments, or ten per cent. allowed off the second half, if paid at time of sale.
JAMES O'NEILL, Proprietor.
Guelph, Aug. 29. dawtf

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

N. CROFT

WOULD inform his friends and the general public that he has opened a shop in his old premises, on

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Where he is prepared to make up Gentlemen's Garments in the newest style,

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Agent for the best Sewing Machines.
N. CROFT, Church-st.
Guelph, 11th September. d

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WILLIAM BROWNLOW
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The subscriber intimates that he is prepaedr t attend

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As usual in Town and Country. Coffins always onhand and made to order on the shortest notice. Terms very moderate.
WM. BROWNLOW.
March 20 1868. dawA

Public Notice.

THE GLASGOW HAM CURER will re-open on
Saturday, 12th of September
And will have on hand a arge supply of
FRESH SAUSAGES
LARD AND PICKLED PORK.
He will shortly have on hand Beef, Pork and Mutton Hams; also, his famed Mince Collops, Smoked Bacon, Smoked Hams, &c.
D. N. SMITH.
Guelph, Sept. 11th

THE VICTORIA UNIVERSITY.
Medical Department.
SESSION 1868-69.

Medicine & Medical Pathology.
HON. JOHN ROLPH, LL.D., M. D., M. R. C. S., England.
Midwifery and Diseases of Women and Children.
WALTER B. GEIKIE, M. D., L. R. C. P., London England, and F. R. C. S., Edinburgh.
Materia Medica and Therapeutics.
CHARLES V. BERRYMAN, A. M., M. D.
Institutes of Medicine.
JOHN N. REID, M. D.
Chemistry and Botany.
JOHN HERBERT SANGSTER, A.M., M.D.
Surgery & Surgical Pathology.
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Associates in Chemical Medicine and Surgery.
JOHN KING, M. D., M. R. C. S., England.
WIDMER ROLPH, M. D., L. R. C. P., London.
General Pathology.
HON. JOHN ROLPH, LL. D., M. D., M. R. C. S. England.
Medical Jurisprudence.
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Demonstrator of Anatomy.
JOHN BARRICK, M. D., L. R. C. P., London; M.R.C.S., Eng.; L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., Edin.
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Toronto, September 2. daw 1m

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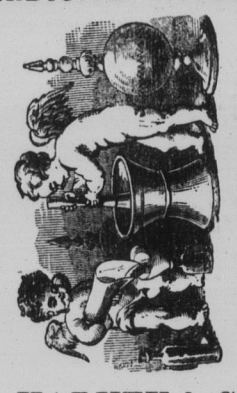

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E. HARVEY & CO.

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For the successful rearing of Infants.

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For imparting a Beautiful Whiteness and Softness to the Skin.

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Quinine Wine!

—A large supply just received.

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Guelph, September 1st dw

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September 24th. 1wd

SPECIAL ATTENTION.

THE Highest Market Price paid for
*Wool, Hides, Sheepskins, Calfskins and Wool Pickings,*
At No. 4, Day's old Block, Gordon Street.

Singing and Pianoforte.

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Guelph, Sept. 11th, 1868. do tf

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Evening Mercury.

OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET

TUESDAY EVENING, SEPT. 29, 1868.


## Local News.

Remember the meeting of the Maple Leaf B. B. Club, in the Court House Hotel this evening.

A writer in the St. Catharines *Times* will be obliged to stand a libel suit, for asserting that the Treasurer had defrauded the town of $900.

A serving man, named Taylor, diddled his employer, Mr Horton, near St. Thomas, out of $120, one day last week, and then "streaked it" for the States.

On Saturday last a young man named John Innis, while working at a threshing machine, near Clinton, fell from the mow into the cylinder, and had one of his legs torn off. He died three hours afterwards.

The express robbers Morton and Chas. E. Thompson were discharged by the Police Magistrate, on Monday, on the ground that no offence was proved against the prisoners within the treaty.

A man named Thos. Smith, in the employ of the Great Western as a trackman, was found near Waubuno station on Saturday morning with both legs cut off, his right arm and hand crushed and several cuts on the body, having been run over by a train.

A little boy, aged seven, son of Duncan McGregor, Ekfrid, was lost in the woods a day or two ago, and was found next day half starved and nearly perished with cold, having tramped about twenty miles in his wanderings.

RIFLE MATCH.—The Eramosa Volunteer Company will hold their annual shooting match on Saturday, 3rd Oct., on Mr. Wm. Dryden's farm. The township Council at its last sitting generously handed Capt. Swinford the sum of $20, to be given for prizes.

On Wednesday last a man named Robert Bucknell, residing on Lot 29, on the 9th con. of Sullivan, put an end to his life. His wife had gone to a neighbor's house and left the deceased at home with their children. Bucknell got his gun and went up stairs, pulled off his left boot and sock, drew the trigger and shot a ball through his brains. He had sustained several losses recently which had acted on his mind and led to his untimely death.

On Thursday last a young couple were married in Hamilton, after a very short courtship. A wealthy farmer in Onondaga was threshing the week before last, and among the hands employed was a fascinating young man who paid considerable attention to his daughter. The pair met at the Exhibition, and got married without any more ado, whereat the father of the young lady was so enraged that he has avowed his intention of disinheriting her.

COUNTERFEIT ON THE GORE BANK.—The first counterfeit that ever was made on the Gore Bank appeared last week in the shape of spurious $4 bills. The counterfeiters were busy pushing them off during the Exhibition, and it is only after the excitement attendant thereon has subsided that people are beginning to discover the fraud, and the extent to which they are victimized. The notes are a perfect imitation of the genuine in every respect, except that the types used in numbering them are larger. This is the only test, a magnifying glass detects no other flaw. The extent of the mischief

### Guelph Curling Rink.

A meeting of the curlers of Guelph was held in the Town Hall last night, for the purpose of making arrangements for the erection of a Curling Rink. Thomas McCrae, Esq., was appointed chairman and Charles Davidson, Esq., Secretary. The Secretary read the minutes of two meetings of Committee appointed to procure suitable lots for the building of a covered rink, and the report recommending Lots 151 and 152 of the Canada Company's Survey, near Presant's mill. In accordance with the recommendation of Committee, the Secretary leased these lots from the Canada Company for five years, on paying the interest of the purchase money ($200), with power to buy them at any time during that period at the price stated.

It was estimated that the cost of the lots and price of building would be $1000, and a resolution was passed for the opening of a stock book for the subscription of shares, each share to be $5.

The following committee was appointed to procure subscriptions of stock: Messrs. Charles Davidson, Adam Robertson, Jr., David Kennedy, James Barclay, David McCrae, Alex. Congalton, Andrew Armstrong, Jas. Anderson and W. H. Mills.

The meeting was then adjourned till Friday night, to hear the report of the committee on subscriptions.

Shares to the amount of $200 were taken up before the meeting adjourned, and the committee intend at once to make a vigorous canvass of the town in order to dispose of the balance of the shares. We do not expect there will be any difficulty in realizing the amount required. A covered rink is very much wanted in Guelph. Many who are unable to give their time during the day to the "roaring game" would gladly spend an hour or two over it at night. The erection of a covered rink will give such every opportunity for practice, and it will also be of great convenience to the regular players.

There were not many cases of pocket picking at the exhibition, but the St. Catharines *Times* says, that Mr. Bowman, of Waterloo, was relieved of a gold watch, and that a policeman traced it to that town, and found it in possession of a person named Curran. He said in explanation that he got it from Tiney Cohn, whereupon the policeman took both pals back to Hamilton with him.

John Josiah Chuckee, a colored man, was tried at the Assizes in Owen Sound last week, for the murder of his child in June. The judge instructed the jury to bring in a verdict of guilty or not guilty of the crime of murder, but they were unable to agree, when his Lordship modified his charge so that the question became one of manslaughter. Chuckee was found guilty of this crime, and sentenced to seven years in the Penitentiary.

SUICIDES IN BRITAIN.—In the year 1865, for which the returns have recently been issued, there were 133 suicides in Scotland—one in every 23,579 of the estimated population. Fifty-eight of these deaths were by hanging, 40 cut-throats, 17 by poison, 12 by drowning, 2 by gun shot, 2 from precipitation from a height, 2 in ways not stated.—The number of suicides in England in the same year was 1,392, or one in every 15,080 of the estimated population; so that to two suicides in Scotland there were three in England, in a like number of population.

AN HONEST MAN.—It is pleasing to discover that honesty has not yet fled the land. There is at least one individual with a tender conscience left, and the Ingersoll *Chronicle* has this story about him:—Some time since a farmer in North Oxford township, in this County, sold another man a property for one thousand dollars. The purchaser paid $200 down, taking a deed and giving a mortgage for the balance, which was to be paid in, we believe, yearly instalments. When the first payment became due, the purchaser found himself unable to meet it, and was willing to sacrifice the $200 providing the mortgage was cancelled. The mortgagee said, "No, if you are unable to meet the payments, here is the $200 you have paid, *with interest thereon to date.*" How many men are there who would have acted in a similar manner?

THE NOVA SCOTIA MILITIA BILL.—We learn by the Halifax papers that the Nova Scotia Legislature has been at the trouble of passing a bill to provide that the militia of that province shall not be required to march beyond its limits. The bill was passed unanimously by the House of Assembly, and then it went to the Legislative Council where it was also carried by a vote of ten to eight. All this was extreme officiousness. In the first place it is not at all probable that any attempt would be made to march the Nova Scotia militia beyond the bounds of their own province if it was in the least danger; in the second place there is a likelihood that the militia may not be grateful for the kind forethought of their legislators, for it is said that the men rather like soldiering under Cartier's bill, bad as it is; and in the third place the Local Legislatures has no more to do with the militia than the man in the moon. What then is the object? The Repealers know very well that the Canadian Government has power to disallow the bill; is this a throwing down of the gauntlet, and telling them to disallow it if they dare. It certainly looks like it, and the *Chronicle* contemplating the contingency says that, "Nova Scotians will obey the laws passed by their own representatives in preference to those of any other power," which though a positive assertion enough, is a much milder threat than many that have

### Canada's Commercial Marine.

The Canadian people are not as a general thing given to boasting, or they might, without much impropriety, speak in loud and exultant strains, of the rapid strides in commerce, which have been made here within the last few years. It is indeed something for so small a community to be proud of, when we find ourselves, as we do to-day, the fourth commercial power of the world, only Great Britain, the United States, and France being our superiors. We find from the returns lately published that we have in the Dominion, 5,823 mercantile vessels with a tonnage of 776,343 tons; 3,974 of these are sea-going vessels, the rest are intended for river and lake service. In navigating these, 37,225 men are employed, 8,248 of whom belong to Quebec, 3,192 to Ontario, 19,288 to Nova Scotia and 6,027 to New Brunswick. Among the vessels included in the above number, we find that there are no less than 114 screw steamers, and 222 paddle-wheel steamers, 9 of each being sea going vessels. It is estimated that nearly thirty millions of dollars are invested in our commercial marine. That class of English politicians who imagine Canada is of no value, and that the Empire would be just as strong and prosperous without her, should ponder over these figures. As yet we are the fourth maritime power in the world, but, if we go on increasing as we have done during the last few years, it is probable that we shall take even a higher place. We would ask Goldwin Smith, and men of his stamp, whether it is not of some consequence to Great Britain whether the large and constantly growing marine of ours is to be found flying the Union Jack or the "Stars and Stripes." If our tonnage of upwards of three-quarters of a million of tons were to be added to the tonnage of Britain's great commercial rival we should bid good bye for ever to British supremacy at sea?

### THE GUELPH POLICE COURT.

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

TUESDAY, 29th.—WM. and THOS. CHURCH were charged by the Chief Constable with having broken the gate of the East Ward School-house, on Sunday last. They had been, as they almost always are, engaged in pelting stones, but it appeared that it was another boy who threw the stone that broke the gate. They were dismissed, unfortunately for themselves as well as many others.

LECTURE.—Mr. McGuire, student, brother of Dr. McGuire will lecture to-night on total abstinence, in the Temperance Hall.

The Hamilton *Spectator* records the death of Mr. Thos. Rae, brother of Dr. Rae, the Arctic explorer, and Mr. Richard H. Rae, Emigration Agent at Hamilton, which occurred on Monday. Mr. Rae was the youngest son of Thomas Rae, Esq., of Weir Isle, Orkney, Scotland. He left Scotland when a mere boy, and resided for some time in New Brunswick, subsequently living in Kingston; and came to Hamilton in 1842 or 1843.

THE RED RIVER RELIEF MOVEMENT.—Mr. W. E. Sandford, of Hamilton, left on Monday for St. Paul's, Minnesota, taking with him the funds subscribed in Hamilton towards the relief of the Red River settlers. Besides the city subscription, Mr. Sandford takes with him other amounts forwarded, viz: From the County of Wellington, through Mr. John Ferrier, $400, Town of Guelph, $150, Acton, $124.68, and Beamsville, $25.

RUSH OF BUSINESS.—Next week will be a busy one for the trade of Guelph. The October monthly fair will be held on Wednesday, and the Exhibition of the South Wellington and Guelph Township Agricultural Societies will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, bringing a great many people from the country into town. Merchants and business men generally should have their announcements in this week's MERCURY, which will be published to-morrow (Wednesday) evening at 5 o'clock. Send your advertisements in by 10 a.m., in order to secure insertion. Job Work executed promptly, in superior style, and at very low rates. Give us a call.

BERLIN ENTERPRISE.—The *Telegraph* last week is rejoicing because the manufactures in the rather easy going town of Berlin, are beginning to look up. It says: Within a short period we have had established in our midst a first-class button factory, (the only one in Canada), a flax-factory, woollen-factory, and now an extensive foundry is about to be erected at the east end of the town. The steam grist mill has lately had new life infused into it, and is now kept constantly running on merchant work as well as custom gristing. We have also to record the resurrection of the tobacco factory formerly carried on by Mr. Jackson in this town. New machinery has been introduced into the concern at considerable expense, and the manufacture of cut tobacco has already been commenced.—The proprietors are Messrs. John Winger and W. Oelschlager.

The Halifax *Express* says: People in the country say they would not know whether they were confederated with Canada and New Brunswick, only for the Anti papers continually dinning the fact in our ears. They do not experience any hardships to remind them of the existence of the Union Act. One mans's politics in a certain county west was, whether he would get the office of Judge of Probate or not. Our militiamen believe that Confederation is not so bad after all, now that they got paid for drilling; and they say there are worse men than Sir George Cartier—the Hon.

## BY TELEGRAPH

PER ATLANTIC CABLE.

Despatches to the Evening Mercury

### The Spanish Insurrection!

### City of Carthagena Bombarded!

### ROYAL TROOPS RETREATING!

### Rebels Daily Gaining Strength!

### PASSAGE of SPANIARDS

Through France Forbidden.

THE INSURGENTS MARCHING

UPON THE CAPITAL OF THE NATION!

LONDON, midnight, 28th.—The following is the very latest accounts received from Spain: The city of Carthagena has been bombarded by the rebel fleet. Gen. Prim has gone to Valentia. The Marquis of Novalichez, commander of the Royal troops, is in the field, and is retreating before the advance of Marshal Serreano.

PARIS, evening, 28th.—The *Patrie* says: "The situation of Spain is grave. The rebels are gaining strength every day, while all efforts of the government to withstand the torrent are evidently becoming weaker. The last ship of the Spanish navy has now joined the rebels, and all reports indicate that public opinion throughout the kingdom favors the revolution. The party which still remains faithful to the Queen is disorganized, and little dependence can be placed upon them."

BERLIN, evening, 28th.—The Emperor Alexander, of Russia, visited the King of Prussia yesterday at Potsdam, and to-day departed for Warsaw. The King of Prussia left to-day for Baden.

PARIS, 28th.—M. Pinard, minister of the interior, has forbidden the passage of Spaniards through France on their way to Spain.

## American Despatches.

CRICKET MATCH AT BOSTON.

BOSTON, Sept. 28.—The international Cricket Match between All England Eleven and United States Twenty-two commenced here to-day. When time was called the England Eleven had made 80 runs and had five wickets down.

FIRE AT CINCINNATTI.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 28.—The Pitcher Tunnel on the Marietta and Cincinnati Railway which caught fire some days ago caved in yesterday and buried two men. While construction engine was backing up to the scene of disaster it ran over two hand cars containing 18 men, instantly killing five of them and seriously injuring three others two of whom are not expected to recover.

FIRE IN A PRINTING OFFICE.

BUFFALO, Sept. 29.—A fire last evening destroyed the printing and press room of the *Commercial Advertiser* Office together with files of the paper and many valuable lithograph and sterotype plates which cannot be replaced. Loss $125,000. Insured for $60,000.

PORTLAND, ME., Sept. 29.—An enthusiastic meeting was held last night in aid of the Ogdensburg Railroad.

LATER DETAULS OF THE EARTHQUAKE IN SOUTH AMERICA.

NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—The steamer *Helvetia* from Europe has arrived. The officers and men of the United States steamer *Wateree* and two survivors of the *Fredonia*, the vessels wrecked by the earthquake in South America reached this city yesterday. Additional details of the terrible scenes during the late earthquakes are received. In Ecuador alone it is now stated the loss of killed amounts to forty thousand. In Peru the dead are yet hidden under the ruins of houses in many instances, and a stench infects the air which it is thought will produce a pestilence. A band of robbers are roaming through the ruins robbing every one who has anything left.

A Hindoo Priest called in all the members of a large family, one of whom was known to have committed a theft, and thus addressed them: "Take each of you one of these sticks, which are all of exactly equal length and put them under your pillow to-night; I do not at present know the offender, but you must return the sticks to me to-morrow morning, and the one belonging to the thief will have grown an inch in the night." The family retired to rest, but before he went to sleep the man who had committed the theft, thinking to outwit the priest, cunningly cut off an inch from his, firmly believing that it would by this means attain the length of the others by next morning. The sticks were returned, and by comparing the priest was instantly able to pitch on the offender, to his great surprise and dismay.

DISRAELI'S BAPTISM.—An earnest supporter of Mr. Benjamin Disraeli, his place and principles, has published a copy of the certificate of his baptism as a Christian in the parish of St. Andrews' London. The future Premier of Great Britain endured this rite on the 31st of July, in the year 1817, being then twelve years of age. The British nation is now assured of the fact with the view of proving that the affairs of the Established Church are in safe keeping in his hands, and that on all matters, spiritual and temporal, connected with its endowment by the State he is as trustworthy if not a more honest counsellor for the Queen than Mr. Gladstone, who does not, perhaps, recollect the circumstances under which the water of grace was poured on his infant head.

SHUTTING UP OF THE GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.—The Montreal correspondent of the Quebec *Chronicle* announces that the President of the G. T. R. has received instructions from England, to close the branch of that road running from Richmond to Riviere du Loup, owing to the enormous loss sustained by the Company