

The Red River Settlement must be a fruitful place. We read of a Mrs. Lenn giving birth to triplets, all daughters, there on the 1st inst. The little occurrence caused quite a commotion among the ladies in the settlement.

The oldest inhabitant of Kentucky has been discovered. His name is John Pickens, he lives in Peudleton county, and is one hundred and fifteen years old.

Thirty-four persons have been summoned in Kingston, before the bench, for violating the law against keeping open their bars on Sunday nights.

Special Notices.

Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry.
Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma, Croup, Whooping Cough, Quinsy, and the numerous as well as dangerous diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs, prevail in our changeable climate at all seasons of the year; few are fortunate enough to escape their baneful influence. How important then to have at home, certain remedies to all these complaints. Experience proves that this exists in Wistar's Balsam to an extent not found in any other remedy; however severe the suffering, the application of this soothing, healing and wonderful Balsam at once vanquishes the disease and restores the patient to sound health.

Mr. JOHN BROWN, of Baldwin, Chemung Co., N. Y., writes:—"I was urged by a neighbor to get one bottle of the Balsam for my wife, being assured by him that in case it did not produce good effects, he would pay for the bottle himself. On his strength I bought a single bottle but try—Verily, then its true deserts would have been done, coughing constantly and raising more or less blood. I commenced giving the Balsam as directed, and was so much pleased with its operation that I obtained another bottle, and continued giving it. Before this bottle was entirely used, the coughing ceased, and was strong enough to sit up. The fifth bottle entirely restored her to health, doing that which several physicians had tried to do but had failed.

Prepared by **DR. J. C. FOWLE & SON**, 18 Tremont-st., Boston, and for sale by druggists generally.

ACROSTIC.
Easily it penetrates through every pore,
Relieving sufferers from each angry sore;
Ailments it heals with certainty and speed;
Cures, burns, from inflammation soon freed;
Eruptions, at its presence disappear;
Skins lose each stain, and the complexion's clear.

Salve, such as GRACE'S, every one should buy,
Ail to its wondrous merits testify.
Oh, those who doubt, a single box but try—
Verily, then its true deserts would have
Even unbelievers would laud GRACE'S SALVE.

Allen's Celebrated Lung Balsam.
Cures Colds, Coughs and Consumption.
Allen's Celebrated Lung Balsam.
Cures Bronchitis, Asthma and Croup.
Allen's Celebrated Lung Balsam.
Imparts strength to the system.
Allen's Celebrated Lung Balsam.
Is pleasant to take.

Allen's Celebrated Lung Balsam.
Always gives satisfaction or the money will be refunded. It is recommended by prominent physicians, and while it is pleasant to take and harmless in its nature, it is a powerful remedy for curing all diseases of the Lungs, Sold by all Druggists.

PERRY DAVIS & SON, Agents,
350 St. Paul Street, Montreal.
A. B. PETRIE and E. H. HAYES, Agents for Guelph.
Feb 23-1892

GRAY HAIR
Restored to its Original Colour
of youth, by the use of that Scientific Discovery called
HALL'S VEGETABLE

Sicilian Hair Renewer
It will make hair grow upon bald heads except in very aged persons, as it furnishes the nutritive principle by which the hair is nourished and supported.
It will prevent the hair from falling out, and does not stain the skin.
No better evidence of its superiority need be adduced than the fact that so many millions of it are offered the public.
It is a splendid Hair-Dressing.
Our Treatise on the Hair sent free by mail.
R. P. HALL & CO., Proprietors,
Nashua, N. H.
For sale by all druggists. d&wlm
Feb 2, 1892

Beautiful Hair
Nature's Crown,
You must Cultivate it.

GRAY HAIR
Is a certain indication of decay at the roots.

MRS. S. A. ALLEN'S HAIR RESTORER
Restores gray hair to its natural color and beauty, and induces luxuriant growth. It gives the hair a soft, silky gloss and a beautiful fragrance.
25c. Manly City and Sales Offices, at Barclay Street and 41 Park Place, N. Y., and 299 High Street, London, England.
For sale by all Druggists.
E. HARVEY & CO., Wholesale Agents,
February 1, 1892

BATCHELOR'S HAIR DYE
This splendid Hair Dye is the best in the world. It is perfectly safe, Harmless, Reliable, Instantaneous. No disappointment. No ridiculous tints. Removes the effects of dyes. Excels in its effect on the hair soft and beautiful brown or black. Sold by all Druggists and Perfumers, and properly applied at Batchelor's Wig Factory, No. 10, Bowdoin, N. Y.

COMMERCIAL.

Guelph Markets.
MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH.
February 23, 1892.

Flour, white	2 50	2 75
Flour, red	2 25	2 50
Wheat, No. 1	1 00	1 05
Oats	0 50	0 55
Barley	1 10	1 15
Hay	10 00	11 00
Straw	3 00	3 50
Shingles	1 00	1 50
Wood	3 00	3 50
Wool	0 24	0 25
Eggs, 1 dozen	0 20	0 22
Butter, store packed	0 16	0 17
Do (dry packed)	0 17	0 18
Cheese, each	0 25	0 27
Turkeys, each	0 75	1 50
Chickens, 4 pair	0 25	0 50
Ducks, do	0 40	0 50
Poultry, or other	1 00	1 12
Apples, 1 bush	1 00	1 25
Lamb, 1 lb	4 00	7 00
Beef, 1 lb	0 05	0 12
Pork, 1 lb	0 09	0 10
Salt, 1 bush	0 20	0 25
Lard, 1 lb	0 50	1 00
Hides	5 50	6 00

Money Market.
JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE,
Guelph, Feb 23, 1892

1000 lbs. Canada bank notes bought at 75c to 75c, silver bought at 4 1/2 to 4 1/2, and at 3 1/2 to 3 1/2 Upper Canada Bank Bills bought at 55c to 60c

TORONTO MARKETS.
Toronto, Feb. 21.
Fall wheat \$1.00 to \$1.00; spring wheat \$1.00 to \$1.00; extra \$1.00; barley \$1.00; peas, 50c to 55c; extra, 50c to 55c.

HAMILTON MARKETS.
Hamilton, Feb. 21.
Barley, 1.20 to 1.25; peas, 50c to 55c; extra, 50c to 55c; spring wheat, 0.95 to 0.98; white wheat, 1.05 to 1.10; red winter, 1.00, \$1.00.

MONTREAL MARKETS.
Reference to Montreal report by special Telegram to Mercury Office.

Flour, extra, \$5.25 to \$5.50; Fancy, \$5.00 to \$5.00; Wellhead, \$4.75 to \$5.00; Superior, No. 1, \$4.50 to \$4.75; No. 2, \$4.25 to \$4.50; Western wheat, \$4.95 to \$5.00; No. 1, \$4.75 to \$4.95; No. 2, \$4.50 to \$4.75; Oats, \$1.25 to \$1.30; Barley, \$1.15 to \$1.20; Wheat, Canada, \$1.10 to \$1.15; Spring wheat, \$1.10 to \$1.15; White wheat, \$1.20 to \$1.25; Red winter, \$1.10 to \$1.15; Lard, \$1.00 to \$1.05; Pork, \$1.00 to \$1.05; Hides, \$5.50 to \$6.00.

Commercial Union Assurance Company,
CHIEF OFFICES—19 & 20 CORNHILL, LONDON, ENGLAND.
CAPITAL, £2,500,000.
Fire Department.
THE success which has attended the Company's operations has been such as fully to realize the most sanguine expectations of the Directors, who have resolved to extend the business more widely, and now offer to the Canadian Public PERFECT SECURITY guaranteed by large subscribed capital and Invested Funds.

PROMPT SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS.—The Directors and General Agents, being gentlemen largely engaged in commerce, will take a liberal and business like view of all questions coming before them.

Life Department.
237 Volunteers assured in this Company, are permitted, without extra charge, to do duty on the Frontier, and to engage in repelling marauding attacks.

Eighty per cent. of the Profits of the whole Life and Annuity business are divided among participating Policy Holders.

Claims are paid one month after Proof of Death.

By a recent Act of Parliament a Wife can now hold a Policy on the life of her Husband free from all other claims.

MORLAND, WATSON & CO.,
General Agents for Canada.
FREDERICK COLE, Secretary.—Inspector of Agencies, T. C. LIVINGSTON, P. L. S., Upper Canada.
Trotter & Graham,
Agents for Guelph.
Guelph, Feb. 6, 1892. dly

Fresh Teas
CROP '68 AND '68.
REFORD & DILLON
ARE NOW RECEIVING DIRECT FROM LONDON, ENGLAND, THEIR FALL SUPPLIES OF NEW SEASON TEAS, comprising—
TWANKAYS, YOUNG HYSONS, IMPERIALS, GUNPOWDERS, Col'd & Uncol'd JAPANS CONGOU, SOUCHONGS, SEUCKES.

100 Hhd's Choice Barbadoes and Cuba Sugars,
With a well selected assortment of GENERAL GROCERIES, all of which they offer to the trade LOW.
REFORD & DILLON.
Toronto September 1
12 and 14 Wellington Street

A. R. McMASTER & BRO.,
ARE NOW OPENING THEIR
FALL IMPORTATIONS,
And will be glad to see their friends and customers at
23 YONGE STREET, TORONTO.
Toronto, September 1. dwtf

SALLY LUND'S
A DELICIOUS TEA CAKE AT
H. BERRY'S.

FRESH MADE BISCUITS & CRACKERS
Pineapple Biscuits, Lemon Biscuits, Oyster Crackers, Captain Biscuits, Fancy Biscuits. All warranted fresh, made by a splendid new machine. WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.
Guelph, January 22, 1892. daw

H. BERRY.
Banking, Exchange & Passage
OFFICE,
No. 5, JAMES STREET, HAMILTON.
American Money and Silver, Drafts on New York and Sterling Exchange Bought and Sold.
Agent for the ISMAN LINE of Steamships to and from Liverpool, London and Cork. An hour Line of Steamships to Glasgow, London and all parts of Ireland. Also, to Hamburg, Rotterdam, Copenhagen, Christiania, Havre, etc., via Le Havre.
Upper Canada Agency of the Pacific Mail Line Steamship Company to California
Guelph, Dec. 1. daw 3m

LUMBER & WOOD YARD.
CHARLES HEATH
Has opened a Lumber and Wood Yard on Quebec St. West of English Church, where Lumber of all kinds can be had in lots to suit purchasers.
CORDWOOD
For sale by the cord, half-cord and quarter cord, and delivered to any part of the town.
Also for sale, Flour and Feed delivered in any part of the Town according to order.
All orders from Town or Country will be promptly attended to.
CHARLES HEATH
Guelph, May 14, 1888. daw 3m

THE GUELPH BAKERY
Upper Wyndham Street.
H. BERRY in taking this opportunity of thanking his customers for the very liberal patronage bestowed on him, begs to intimate that owing to the rapid increase of his Wholesale Confectionery business, he has disposed of his bread business to Archibald McKeand, whom he has great pleasure in recommending, and who, he is confident, will do his utmost to give satisfaction to all who may patronize him.

A. GILCHRIST
Has much pleasure in informing the public that he has opened the store
NEXT DOOR TO THOMAS SODEN'S
When he hopes by strict personal attention to business, and keeping a first class article, to merit the share of public patronage so long bestowed on his predecessor.

ARCHIBALD McKEAND,
(Successor to John W. Murton),
Banking and Exchange OFFICE,
No. 9, JAMES STREET, HAMILTON.

BILLS OF EXCHANGE, mercantile Money and Notes bought and sold at best rates.
5-20 Bonds bought and sold at a slight advance on New York rates.
Agent for the National Steamship Company, weekly Line of Steamers between New York and Liverpool. Also for the London and New York Steamship Company, fortnightly Line between New York and London.
Freights via the Michigan Central R. R. and the Michigan Southern and Northern Indiana R. R., for all points West and South, Royal Mail Line to Montreal and intermediate ports.
Agent for the Kerwick & Edwards' celebrated Fire and Burglar Proof Safes.
Guelph, Dec. 1. daw 3m

GUELPH STEAM FOUNDRY AND AGRICULTURAL WORKS,
TERRACE WYNDHAM STREET.
MILLS & MELVIN
Have now on hand a complete assortment of Gray's and Paterson's celebrated
STEEL PLOUGHS
CAST IRON PLOUGHS, of the most approved patterns, Cultivators, S. Arriers, Horse Shaws, Drag Saws, Straw and Turnip Cutters, Agricultural Implements (greatly improved from those now in use) Stoves, Pumps, &c.

All kinds of CASTINGS made and finished to order. TINSMITHING, in all its branches, carried on by
EDGE TROUBS, ENAVE PIPES,
&c., made and put up in town or country.
Guelph, July 27. dly

Mrs. ROBINSON'S DOMINION STORE
MRS. ROBINSON begs to inform her patrons, and the public, that she is still in her old stand and is able and willing to supply the wants of all who give her a call. She has a very nice selection of
Stock of Dried and other Fruits.
FANCY GOODS of all kinds. A splendid lot of Berlin Woods; also the Largest Stock of Wools to be had in any store in town, including English, Fingering, Cheviot, Bealish, combing and single, Fancy, Merino, and Fancy Wools of every description. All kinds of Canadian Yarns.
MEN'S UNDERCLOTHING AND SOCKS,
Also, Ladies' Druggists' Stock, Stockings of all colors, of the best quality made and can be bought cheap.
Stamping and Binding done to order.
Guelph, Jan. 22, 1892. Mrs. ROBINSON dwtf

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.
The subscribers beg to inform his patrons and the public that during his absence in Scotland his business will be carried on as usual. Parties requiring work will please call at his store, Market Square, where all orders will receive prompt attention.
Guelph, Jan. 22, 1892. JAS. BARLOWAY dwtf

WEST MARKET SQUARE,
HIRSCH & KENNEDY.
February 17th. cc

CARD.
James Massie & Co.,
Have pleasure in intimating the re-opening of their RETAIL STORE in the recently re-erected "ALMA BLOCK." Having given special attention to the selection of suitable and reasonable articles, they can, with confidence, recommend their FAMILY GROCERIES, LIQUORS, GLASSWARE, CROCKERY, &c., to their numerous friends and customers, who will ever find an ample stock of superior goods, and a courteous welcome at the ALMA BLOCK.
Guelph, 24th Dec., 1892. daw 1/2

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT
The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company
HARTFORD CONN.
WOODBRIDGE S. OLINER, Secretary. | GUY R. PERLES, President. | ZEPHANIAH PRESTON, V. Pres. | EDWIN W. DUNSTON, Actuary. | LEVIN S. WILSON, Medical Examiner.
ORGANIZED IN 1846. CHARTER PERPETUAL.
The largest Mutual Life Insurance Company, numbering over 55,000 members. A purely Mutual Company—its Assets being exclusively to its members.
ASSETS, \$21,000,000.—Acquired by prudent and economical management of twenty-two years without the aid of a single dollar of original capital.
SURPLUS ASSETS, \$6,301,967.—All profits divided among the members. Each policy holder is a member. There are no stockholders.
ITS LARGE DIVIDENDS.—They have averaged over 50 per cent. annually. Total amount of dividends paid the members since its organization, \$4,397,142.
ITS SUCCESS UNPARALLELED.—It has arrived at the extraordinary condition where the income from Annual Interest alone is more than sufficient to pay all its losses. Total amount of losses paid by the Company, \$6,865,328.
ITS RESPONSIBILITY.—For every \$100 of Liabilities, it has \$154 of Assets.
LAST YEAR'S PROSPEROUS BUSINESS.
Amount insured fiscal year 1891 \$45,647,191.00
Income received " " 7,530,886.19
During its last fiscal year this Company paid to its living members, and to the families of its deceased members, nearly \$2,000,000, and at the same time added more than FOUR MILLIONS to its accumulated capital. The whole record of this Company has been one of prudent management and prosperous advancement. Among the older and leading Life Insurance Companies its ratio of expense to income has, through its entire history, been the lowest of any.
ITS LIBERALITY.—It accumulates the insured by giving credit for part premium, and grants insurance to meet all the contingencies and wants to which Life Insurance is applicable. Its issue policies on a single life from \$100 to \$25,000. Amount deposited with Receiver General of Canada, \$140,000.
Medical Referees—DR. HEROLD, DANIEL D. SILLS, General Agent for Canada.
GEORGE ROBINS, Agent for Guelph.
Guelph, 24th December. d

Retiring from the Retail Trade.
ENTIRE STOCK OF DRY GOODS TO BE SOLD OUT.
WILLIAM STEWART
In returning thanks to his friends and the public for the liberal patronage bestowed on him for the last thirteen years, respectfully intimates his intention of retiring from the Retail Business.
In order to facilitate the entire clearance of Stock, he will on WEDNESDAY, 6th JANUARY, commence the GREAT SALE, when Goods will be offered at Cost, and in many cases under. The public should take advantage of this rare opportunity of securing first-class Goods at the Lowest Prices ever offered in Guelph. The reputation of the Stock being so well known for extra quality, and being composed of New and Fashionable Goods, all may rely on extraordinary Bargains.
On and after the 2nd of January the Books will be closed, and during the sale Goods will be sold only FOR CASH.
N. B.—This is no clap-net sale, as the subscriber is positively retiring.
WILLIAM STEWART.
Wyndham Street, Guelph }
Dec. 30th, 1892. } daw

TOBACCO ARRIVED,
P. & G. LORILLAND'S.
CENTURY CHEWING TOBACCO
NEW SORT
The Finest Fine Cut Chewing Tobacco in the World.
One hundred dollars packed in this brand daily
AT GEO. WILKINSON'S
Wyndham Street, Guelph.
Guelph, 17th February. d

POTATOES
For sale, any quantity of first-class Potatoes, at the store of the subscribers,
WEST MARKET SQUARE,
Guelph.
HIRSCH & KENNEDY.
February 17th. cc

ALMA BLOCK, GUELPH.
WHOLESALE.
NOW OPENING,
Another Shipment of Glassware!
CONSISTING IN PART OF
Tumblers, Goblets, Wines
Decanters, Celery Glasses
Butters, Sugars and Creams
Spoon Holders, Salt Cellars
Preserve Dishes, in great variety
Cruet Bottles, Cruet Frames
Bird Fountains,
Bird Seed Boxes, Bird Baths
Lamp Chimneys
Specia Jars, &c. &c. &c.
R. RAE & CO.
IMPORTERS.
Guelph, 24th December. d

Shoe Tools & Findings
A COMPLETE assortment of the latest pattern of Shoe Tools, Shoe and Machine Thread Machine Silk, Shoe Pegs, Shoe Sails, Shoe Tacks and the Plates, &c., wholesale and retail.
RYAN & OLIVER,
114 Yonge Street, Toronto
Toronto, 1st April, 1892.

TO TAILORS.
AMERICAN Shirts, Timmer, and suits of all sizes, buttons, Carved Rules, Straight-Grain, Empress Irons, English and American Cuffs, Bartlett's Needles, Tapes, &c. All the best quality, and at lowest prices.
RYAN & OLIVER,
Importers of Hardware—114 Yonge St. Toronto, 1st April, 1892.

TO MACHINISTS.
STEEL Squares, Steel Rules, Centre Gauges, Vernier Calipers, Steel Caliper Rules, Caliper Squares, Ames' Universal Squares, Self-feeding and Dividers, Stubs Files and Tools Patent Oil, &c. For sale by
RYAN & OLIVER,
General Hardware Merchants—114 Yonge St. Toronto, 1st April, 1892.

Cabinetmakers & Upholsters.
HAIR Seating, Curled Hair, Tow, Sofa Springs, Trunks, Chair Web, Buttons, Screens, Hinges, Locks, Tacks, Flat Paper, Glue, Piano Stool, and Coffin Trimmings, Upholsters' Needles and Regulators, Bob's Carvers' Tools, Extension Lip Anger Bits, Melchior Hardware, &c. For sale at lowest prices.
RYAN & OLIVER,
General Hardware Merchants—114 Yonge Street Toronto, 1st April, 1892. dly

TROTTER & GRAHAM,
DENTISTS!
GUELPH and BRAMPTON
LICENTIATES OF DENTAL SURGERY
Successors in Guelph to Trotter.
Office, over Higginbotham's Drugstore
Guelph, 2d August, 868. dw

THE Equitable Life Assurance Society
OF THE UNITED STATES.
Head Office, 92 Broadway, New York.
W. O. BUCHANAN,
22 Great St. James St., Montreal, General Agent for the Dominion of Canada.
COLIN SWELL, M. D., Examining Physician, Dr. R. L. MACDONNELL, Consulting Physician, GEORGE MACLEA, Solicitor, BANK OF MONTREAL, Bankers.

The rapid advance of the Society to the very front rank among American Life Insurance Companies, the unprecedented amount of its New Business for the year, the large accumulation of its seven Millions of Dollars, already invested in the most reliable securities, form, collectively, a legitimate subject for unfeigned congratulation by the Managers of the Society to every policyholder, and an assurance to the public that it has been carefully and successfully managed. The rank of the Equitable among all American Companies, as to New Business done since its organization, stands as follows:—In 1891 it was the ninth; in 1892 the eighth; in 1893 and 1894 the seventh; in 1895 and 1896 the sixth; in 1897 the fourth; in 1897 (fiscal year) the second. By insurance effected on the most favorable terms: **GEORGE MURTON, Agent for Guelph.**
Guelph, December 4th, 1892. dft

Removal.—Card of Thanks
WM. HOOVER,
Chairman and Livery Stable Keeper, begs to thank his patrons and the public for their support, and to inform them that he has removed to the New Stone Stable, in rear of Miller's Hotel, WEST MACDONNELL STREET.
Orders may be left at his office in the Stable, a block west of the Alma Block, or at Miller's Hotel, and will be promptly attended to.
THE CAB STAND
For the winter will be at the corner of Mr. Hooper's Dry Goods Store.
Guelph, Dec. 10th, 1892. daw

GALLERY OF ART.
R. W. LAIRD,
Looking Glass and Picture Frame MANUFACTURER,
9 King-st. West, TORONTO.
The Trade supplied with Washable Oil an Improved Rosin Wood Mouldings and Lockers, Glass Plates, Country orders promptly attended to.
Toronto, 1st April, 1892. daw

IMPERIAL Fire Insurance Company
OF LONDON.
(Established 1803.)
HEAD OFFICES, 4 Old Broad Street, Pall Mall, London.
GENERAL AGENCY FOR CANADA—259 St. Lawrence Street, Montreal.
Subscribed and Invested Capital and Reserve Fund
\$1,965,000 **INSURING**
Funds invested in Canada—\$400,000
Insurance against loss by fire effected on the most favorable terms, and losses paid with promptness to the Board in London. No change made in policies, and no brokerage.
RICHMOND, Brokers, General Agents, 24 St. Sarnian Street, York Buildings, Esplanade St.
JOHN H. BOND, Agent, Guelph.
Guelph, 15th Nov. d

HARTFORD Fire Insurance Company
OF Hartford, Conn.
INCORPORATED 1810. CAPITAL \$2,000,000
Special favor for Insuring, and contracts for Fire Insurance, in all parts of the Province.
R. MORRIS, Agent
Guelph, Dec. 1st, 1892. dly

PRIZE DENTISTRY.
DR. R. CAMPBELL.
OFFICE next door to the Advertiser's Office, Wyndham Street, Guelph.
References:—Dr. Clarke & Orton, Medicine, Havelock and McGee, Guelph, and Dr. Buchanan & Phillips, Toronto. Dr. Elliott and Meyers, 107 St. Lawrence, Toronto. Teeth extracted without pain.
Guelph, 18th Jan., 1892. daw