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GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN, Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors in Chancery, GUELPH, ONTARIO. GUTHRIE, J. WATT, W. H. CUTTEN. Guelph, March 1, 1871 dw

F. STURDY, House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter, GRAINER AND PAPER-HANGER. Shop next to the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street, Guelph. f27 dw

IRON CASTINGS Of all kinds, made to order at CROWE'S IRON WORKS, Norfolk Street, Guelph. 15dw JOHN CROWE, Proprietor

IRON AND BRASS Castings of all kinds made on short notice at THE GUELPH UNION FOUNDRY. We also keep on hand four qualities of BABBITT METAL. HARLEY & HEATHER. Huskisson Street, Guelph. m14-dw3m

J. MARRIOTT, Veterinary Surgeon, M.R.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. Orders left at the MERCURY Office, or at H. A. Kirkland's, Paisley Street, opposite Howard's new foundry, will be promptly attended to. Having had great experience in all diseases of Horses and Cattle, all cases placed under his treatment will receive the greatest attention. Charges moderate. o19dwy

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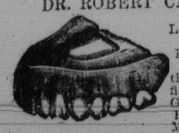

Licentiate of Dental Surgery. Established 1864. Office next door to the "Advertiser" Office, Wyndham-st., Guelph. Residence opposite Mr. Boult's Factory, Queb-Street. Teeth extracted without pain. References, Drs. Clarke, Tuck, McGuire, Herod, McGregor, and Cowan, Guelph. Drs. Buchanan and Phillips, Toronto Drs. Elliot, & Meyers, Dentists Toronto. dw

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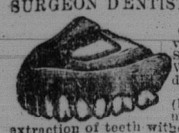

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New Advertisements.

FOUND — Near the Post Office, this morning, a Cheque for a small amount. Apply at THE MERCURY Office.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—A competent housemaid, with good references. Apply at this office. 8-dtf

10,000 BUSHELS OF CORN and 3000 BUSHELS OF OATS for sale. A. R. DAVIES, Guelph, Mar. 13. dwtf On the Market

SEWING MACHINES FOR SALE.—For sale, several first-class Sewing Machines, different makers, all new, cheap for cash. Apply at the MERCURY Office.

WANTED.—A situation as governess, daily or resident, by a young lady qualified to teach English, French, Drawing, and the Elements of Music. Address H. L. W., Guelph. d3t

RESIDENCE FOR SALE OR TO LEASE IN GUELPH.—Stone house, eight rooms, wash house, stable, &c., with 1½ acres, planted with fruit trees, half mile from Government Farm. Apply to A. G. THORBURN, Guelph, April 9, d&wtf Guelph P.O.

BUILDING SITE FOR SALE — In town, well cultivated, well fenced, 4½ acres, spring creek running across, 60 assorted fruit trees, frame stable, &c. Terms easy. For particulars, apply to Robt. Mitchell, No. 1, Day's Block. Mr21dtf

BLACKSMITH AND APPRENTICE WANTED.—Wanted immediately, a Journeyman Blacksmith. A good hand only need apply. Also, an apprentice to the Blacksmith business. Apply at once to Jas. Laing, Morriston. f5dtf

TO LET—With immediate possession, the stone cellars, rooms, offices, and upper story in Brownlow's Buildings, on Douglas street, near the Post Office. Apply to John Horsman, or William Day. Guelph, Feb. 12, 1873 dtf

FOR SALE—Lot 71, on Wyndham-Street, known as the Blacksmith Shop Lot. Clear title and immediate possession given. Also, a first-class stone house to rent. Apply to Denis Coffee Guelph, December 27th, 1872 dtf

MONEY TO LEND, On farm security, at eight per cent. No commission charged. Apply to FRED. BISCOE, Barrister, &c. April 4, '73.-dwtf. Guelph.

HAY FOR SALE. From 40 to 50 tons of hay for sale, by the ton or load. Will be sold on the farm and it can be weighed on the scales at Wilson's Corner. Apply to JOHN LAIDLAW, Or JAMES LAIDLAW, Paisley Block. March 21, 1872. d&wtf

REMOVAL. Mrs. BOWERS begs to intimate that she has removed from Quebec Street to the house known as Martin's Academy, opposite Mills & Goodfellow's Foundry, being more suitable for her business in the Dressmaking, Millinery, etc. Gent's Felt Hats cleaned and turned. Guelph, April 12, 1873 4wd

TO BUILDERS. Tenders will be received by the subscriber at Mr. Stephen Boult's office, Quebec-street, Guelph, where plans and specifications may be seen up to TUESDAY, April 15th, 1873, for the erection of a Stone House. Tenders for wood, stone and plaster work, received separately or together. A. ARMSTRONG, Guelph, April 8, 1873. d5w1

WINTER EGGS AT SUMMER PRICES—Easily packed and warranted to keep any length of time if required. Anyone wishing the receipt can have it for five dollars. I have kept them for three years, and feel confident they may be kept *any* length of time at the trifling cost of 25 cents per barrel. M-6d A. WARNER, Guelph, Ont.

DR. BROCK, OFFICE AND RESIDENCE, Directly opposite Chalmer's Church, Quebec street, Guelph. Dr. Brock having returned from the South, will attend to all professional calls as usual.

50 ACRES OF LAND FOR SALE IN PUSLINCH. Northwest Quarter of Lot 27, Con. 1, 9 miles from Guelph, 2 from Morriston or Aberfoyle, and 1½ from Brock Road; comfortable house, and large log barn and stables. Will be sold cheap, and on liberal terms of payment, or town property will be taken in exchange. Apply through Guelph Post Office, box 161, or to Messrs. Hart & Spiers, Guelph. mr22-dwtf

FREDERICK STURDY, GUELPH, ONT., CANADA is now prepared to supply Eggs for Hatching From his FIRST PRIZE and IMPORTED BIRDS, of the following varieties: Dark and Light Brahmas, Partridge and White Cochins, White Faced Black Spanish, Black Red Game, Spangled Gold and Silver Hamburgs, Grey Dorkings, Rouen and Aylesbury Ducks. A few birds for sale at reasonable prices. Guelph, Mar. 19, 1873. dw3m

BUTCHER STALL NO. 7. J. T. WATERS, Thankful for past favors, begs to notify his old customers and the public that he has now closed his shop on Upper Wyndham Street, and that the business formerly carried on there will in future be done at his stall, No. 7, in the Market. Always on hand, besides Fresh Meat, Sugar-cured Hams, Bacon, Lard, Pork, Sausages, &c. A call from all his old friends respectfully solicited. J. T. WATERS, Guelph, April 7th, 1873 dtf

SALE OF FARM, Farm Stock, Implements, &c. On SATURDAY, the 26th day of APRIL, 1873, W. S. G. KNOWLES will sell by Public Auction, at the farm hereinafter mentioned, by order of the Executor of the late David McKersie, the farm stock and implements following: 1 mare, 2 do. in foal, 2 geldings, 1 very superior highbred do., 2 fillies, 2 yearling colts, 2 Durham bulls, 2 cows, 2 steers, 1 calf, a few sheep and pigs; 2 waggons, 2 sleighs, Buckeye Mower and Reaper, 2 ploughs, harrow, straw cutter, etc. Terms, six months credit on approved endorsed notes for sums over $10; under that amount cash. At the same time and place Mr. Knowles is instructed to offer for sale the farm of Mr. Robert McKersie, being composed of Lot No. 2, in the 2nd con. Division E, Township of Guelph, containing 100 acres, more or less; and also about 9 acres, being part of lots one and two, in the 1st concession of said division, such nine acres running from the Waterloo Road to the said 100 acres, and forming a roadway to the same. This farm comprises about 80 acres cleared, and under cultivation; excellent bank barn and stabling, orchard, &c. Terms for sale of farm made known at time of sale, or on application to Guthrie, Watt & Cutten, Solicitors, Guelph. W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer. Guelph, April 9, 1873. w3t-d3taw

NEW AND SEASONABLE GOODS, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

NEW BUCKWHEAT FLOUR,
ILLINOIS WHITE CORNMEAL
ILLINOIS RYE FLOUR
ST LOUIS HOMINY
NEW PRUNES
OLD PRUNES
DRIED APPLES
WHITE BEANS
PEARL BARLEY
POT BARLEY
PATNA & ARRACAN RICE

Canned Peaches, Tomatoes, Corn, Peas and Cherries,

At John A. Wood's, Alma Block and Lower Wyndham-street. Guelph, March 26, 1873. dw

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SATURDAY EVENG, APRIL 12, 1873.

TO Gas Consumers. Pay your Gas Accounts on or before TUESDAY, the 15th inst., and save the 20 per cent. discount. Payable at the Company's Works. D. GUTHRIE, President. Guelph, April 10th, 1873. d4t

Town and County News.

MR. HENRY HATCH this morning bought from Mr. Jonah Cook, lot 12, 1st con., Arthur, 200 acres, 30 cleared, for $1,600

PROLIFIC.—A ewe belonging to T. B. Patterson, Esq., Minto, gave birth to four fine lambs lately; and a cow, the property of the same gentleman, to twin calves.

MR. Stirton and Col. Higinbotham returned home on Friday to spend the Easter recess. Both gentlemen are looking well.

THE show room in connection with the Cash Store is now open, and filled with all the novelties of the season. See advertisement on Monday.

THE tenders for the re-building and repair of the North Wellington Mills, Elora, to be used as a carpet factory have been let.

THE ice has commenced to go off Allan's dam without doing any damage. Some of the cakes are yet about three feet thick.

LECTURE ON TEMPERANCE.—The Rev. L. Warner, of London, will preach in the Wesleyan Church to-morrow, at morning and evening services. On Monday evening he will deliver a lecture on temperance, in the same place. Go and hear him.

ACCIDENT.—A brakesman, whose name, we understand to be Wilson, met with an accident near Fergus last Friday night. While coupling the cars—at which he was swearing—he slipped, and his arm was caught and taken completely off. He was brought into Fergus next morning to receive medical attendance.

A quiet romance was enacted Wednesday evening in Montreal by a married pair. Twenty-one years ago the couple formed an engagement, and he, a young man at that time, departed for California to seek his fortune, and has only now returned, their constancy resulting that evening in the long expected marriage.

UNSUCCESSFUL SPORTSMEN.—Yesterday afternoon a party of half a dozen young men went out shooting, in high spirits, and very sanguine of a successful afternoon's sport. They returned at night with mud-bespattered clothes and mournful countenances, after a great destruction of ammunition, one of them carrying a solitary pigeon, which he purchased from a small boy whom they met near the Town.

SULKY HORSE.—For more than an hour yesterday afternoon, (Good Friday), several men were busily engaged in endeavoring to induce a horse, belonging to Mr. McCrae, and drawing a load of manure, to come up the hill leading from the Iron Bridge, by the American Hotel. But he obstinately refused to stir. He *backed* any amount; but would not move an inch forward. Tom Ellis, who said he had never yet been beaten by a horse, undertook to coax him by fair means, but after fifteen minutes trial he had to give it up; and in the end the horse had to be turned back, and brought over the bridge again, and so home.

FOOLHARDY.—On Thursday evening, after a cattle train going east, had just started at the Guelph Station, an elderly lady deliberately stepped right in front of the engine to reach the platform. Had she in any way slipped, she would not have got up again; but she seemed to treat the matter very coolly. On the same evening, a short time afterwards, as the passenger train from the west was coming into the station, a little boy, about ten years of age, amused himself by running backwards and forwards right in front of the approaching engine; and seemed to take a delight in seeing how close he could let it come to him before getting out of its way. Why will people put themselves so unnecessarily into such danger?

GOOD FRIDAY.—Yesterday (Good Friday) was observed as a general holiday. Quite a number of people, on pleasure bent, left town by the early trains; others went shooting or walking, all seeming determined to make most of the day. In several of the churches there was divine service. That some folk enjoyed themselves too much was evident from the number of those who, in the evening were to be found making fruitless attempts to walk uprightly. The day, however, passed off very quietly. We only observed one worshipper of Bacchus, who was in any way inclined to be noisy or pugnilistic. By the good sense of his companions, however, he was quieted, after having declared emphatically, as his opinion, that the best way to enjoy life was to get drunk every day in the week, and four or five times oftener, if possible.

ADVICE.

Take the open air,
The more you take the better;
Follow Nature's laws
To the very letter.
Let the doctors go
To the Bay of Biscay,
Let alone the gin,
The brandy and the whiskey;
Freely exercise,
Keep your spirits cheerful;
Let no dread of sickness
Make you ever fearful.
Eat the simple food,
Drink the pure, cold water,
Then you will be well,
Or at least you ought to.

Local and Other Items.

DEATH.—The Galt *Reporter* announces the death, on Tuesday last, of Mr. Thos. Aikens, the well known landlord of the "Union Hotel" in that town.

AT the assizes to be held at Walkerton on the 28th inst., the five prisoners concerned in the Baie-de-dore murder, and now incarcerated in the county jail, will be placed on their trial.

PRESENTATION.—The Rev. J. Dickie, of St. Andrew's Church, Waterloo, was made the recipient, on the 6th inst., of a purse, containing upwards of $60, accompanied by an address, signed on behalf of the Waterloo people by George Moore and Robt. Reid. Rev. Mr. Dickie made a suitable reply.

WATERLOO NORTH RIDING HORSE SHOW.—The Waterloo North Riding Spring Horse Show was held on the exhibition grounds in Waterloo, on Tuesday, the 8th inst. The day was most unpleasant, rain falling incessantly from about noon till late in the evening. The show of stock was superior to that of former years.

NEARLY DROWNED.—A young man named Conners, engaged in the Dundas Foundry, narrowly escaped being drowned on Wednesday last. While wheeling a barrow across the creek in the yard he fell into the stream, and was carried some distance before being rescued. He was considerably bruised and exhausted when brought to land.

SENTENCED.—At the assizes in Cobourg, on Friday, a young man named J. English was tried for the murder of another man named John Edward Ryan, in the township of Hamilton, and a verdict of manslaughter was returned. The prisoner was then sentenced to imprisonment in the Provincial Penitentiary for a term of five years at hard labor. The prisoner is about 21 years of age.

GUN ACCIDENT.—Henry Huff, a young man in the employ of Mr. B. S. Snyder, Bloomingdale, went out shooting last Sunday. At the first discharge the gun burst, tearing off the first finger of Huff's left hand, and a piece of gun barrel striking the inner or fleshy side of the thumb, tore it nearly off so that it was only retained by the tendons at the base of the wrist.

A FAT HEIFER.—The Hamilton *Times* says that on Thursday afternoon, between three and four o'clock, quite a sensation was created on the Market Square by the appearance of a mammoth fat Durham heifer, from the farm of Messrs. P. Grant & Sons. The animal turned the scales at 1,880 lbs; she was purchased by Mr. Thos. Lawry for the Easter markets. Without exception, she is the best bred and prettiest appearing beast ever sold in this market.

HESPELER BRANCH BIBLE SOCIETY.—A public meeting was held in the Methodist New Connexion Church, Hespeler, for the purpose of organizing a Branch Bible Society. After an admirable address by the Rev. J. B. Muir, Agent of the U. C. Bible Society, it was decided to organize a branch in Hespeler, and the following Officers were appointed:—President, Rev. J. Goodwillie; Secretary, G. M. Rife; Treasurer, Adam Shaw; Depository, J. E. Bennett; Commitee, Revs. W. Williams and T. Wurster, with Messrs. R. McIntyre, M. D., G. Martin, J. Anderson, J. P. Johnston, J. Zryd and —— Rifler.

GALT APRIL FAIR.—The Galt April Fair was held in that town on Wednesday last. The attendance of sellers was very large, there being fully 350 cattle exposed. Prices opened low, with buyers hanging off. Notwithstanding, however, fully two-thirds of the cattle were sold, the best figures got being 4c. live. When the show of horses was closed, the Agricultural Society met in the Town Hall, and discussed the question of amalgamation with the North Riding. The basis of union, agreed upon by the delegates of the two societies was adopted without any amendment. The seed fair was very poorly attended, the state of the roads and the bad weather, preventing the farmers from bringing in their seed. The demand was large, and what was on the ground was bought up at fair prices.

THE LATE FRESHET.—A BRIDGE WASHED AWAY.—On Thursday evening last the new bridge, on the 2nd Con., near the School house of Section No. 1, West Garafraxa, was almost washed away; owing to the late freshet and the pressure of the ice jam above the bridge, which was immense. The ice was piled up to an immense height, but sunk considerable on Friday last. Quite a number of people were watching it during Thursday. The bridge was quite a new one, being built last fall; and is completely wrecked. If the jam of ice on the mill dam about a mile and a half above Fergus gives way, there is no knowing what damage may be done. The bridge across the Grand River at Aboyne is in a precarious condition, the ice having raised one end nearly two feet.

SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST A BERLIN MAN.—Mr. John A. Mackie, Merchant and J. P., of this town, was charged before John Hoffman, Esq., Mayor, by Miss Mary E. Brown, with assault with intent, and also with common assault. His Worship, after an investigation, sent the matter before the County Judge. The trial took place on Wednesday last, when Mr. Mackie was acquitted. We forbear, for the sake of his family, going into particulars or speaking of the matter as we feel, further than to say that although the accused has been acquitted his conduct cannot be otherwise characterized than disgraceful. It is high time he turned over a new leaf.—*Berlin Telegraph.*

The sum of $2,000, collected in Chicago, has been set aside to reward the officers and crew of the Atlantic, and the Rev Mr. Ancient, conspicuous in saving life at the wreck of the Atlantic.

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES

The Wreck of the 'Atlantic.'

Fearful Disaster in Rochester from the Flood.

From Fifteen to Twenty Lives Lost.

San Salvador Destroyed by Earthquake.

Eight Hundred Persons Killed

Immense Destruction of Property.

London, April 10.—The Chancellor of the Exchequer has arranged to carry the reduction of 50 per cent. on sugar duties into effect next month. The reduction on raw sugar will take place on the 8th, and on refined sugar on the 28th.

London April 10.—Great distress for want of food is reported to prevail on the islands on the Irish coast of Galway. Sheep even are starving. Subscriptions have been opened for the relief of the islanders.

London, April 10.—A shell exploded yesterday on board Her Majesty's gunnery ship *Cambridge* during practice at Davenport. It is ascertained that many persons were hurt, but beyond this nothing can be learned, as the authorities refuse to allow details of the occurrence to be made public.

Halifax, April 10.—Wrecked goods from the *Atlantic* are arriving here.

The collector of customs went down to the wreck to-day in the steamer *Lady Head.*

The weather is stormy.

Nine of the smaller steamers went down.

Three bodies of steerage passengers were recovered to-day.

One consequence of this terrible calamity has been the discovery that a common sailor, whose life was sacrificed to save others, was a young woman of about twenty-five years of age. Her sex was not known until the body was washed ashore, and the rude clothing removed preparatory to burial. She had served as a common sailor for three voyages, and was a favorite with all. She is described as having fewer of the vices incident to a sailor's life than is usual, but was, nevertheless, as jolly as any of them. One of the survivors, in speaking of her, remarked: "I didn't know Bill was a woman. He used to take his liquor as regular as any of us, and was always begging and stealing tobacco. He was a good fellow, though, and I'm sorry he was a woman." The woman was an American, and was the only one of that nationality belonging to the crew. Who she was, where she came from, and her motive for leading such a strange life, never will be known.

Rochester, April 10. — The sudden rising of the waters of the Genessee river led to a frightful accident on Wednesday night. The Genesee flows beside the wall of the new police building on Front street. At 8:30 o'clock, about thirty persons were standing on the wall and joists, just laid, viewing the flood, when suddenly the walls gave way before the weight of water, falling inward, precipitating the unfortunate people into the cellar, into which the river rushed, filling it instantly. Ten were rescued, and it is estimated that ten to fifteen were swept into the river and carried over the falls. A number are believed to be wedged under the *debris.* The names of the killed cannot be given accurately as yet, but it is positively known that Wm. Pratt, aged seventeen, son of L. A. Pratt, was carried over the falls. The houses on Exchange street were inundated last night, and many persons had to be removed.

New York, April 12.—Heavy rain storm all night, but has changed into hard snow storm this morning.

Matthew Morrison, aged fifty, was arrested on suspicion of killing Mary Fagan, on the night of March 18th, and who died last night at Bellevue Hospital. He twice attempted to commit suicide.

The friends of Hixon, the convicted murderer, will have a dance in Bowery Hall, on Monday night, for the benefit of his family.

Aspinwall, April 5, *via* Havana, April 10.—The city of San Salvador, capital of the Central American Republic of that name, has been destroyed by an earthquake, causing a tremendous loss of life; 800 persons perished, and property valued at twelve millions of dollars was destroyed. The earthquake was followed by a conflagration, and many buildings were burned.

New York, April 11.—Private letters from San Salvador state that the earthquake commenced there on the 4th of March, and all the people left the place. On the 10th nearly the whole city was in ruins. The troops were guarding property from the plundering Indians and others, who always flock in when an earthquake occurs. The quakes were frequent, and though not heavy, yet they threw down the walls by the recurrence of the shocks. Most of the people were in the neighborhood sleeping in the open air. The earthquake to-day, reported *via* Aspinwall, must have been since that date and much heavier.

NEW SONG.—We have received a copy of a new and very pretty song, with chorus, entitled, "Our Darlings Gone Before." It is one of the popular, domestic songs which are such favorites. The accompaniment is simple, and the air catching—the compass ranging between E on the first line and G above the fifth line. For sale at Anderson's bookstore.

"In our dreams they linger near us,
Love they whisper then,
And their voices wake to cheer us,
Breathing joy again!
How they hush our sad repining
When the toils of day are o'er—
Oh! the light of Heaven is shining
Round our darlings gone before."

MAGAZINES.—*Boys of England, Young Men of Great Britain* and April magazines to-night at Anderson's.

News From Ottawa.

(Special to The Mercury.)

Ottawa, April 12, 1 p.m.

Political news dull.

Members away till Tuesday.

The new bridge over the Rideau is in imminent danger of being carried away by the rush of water.

Weather beautifully fine. Swallows and other birds have appeared in numbers—sure harbingers of spring.

Mr. Pope's Emigration Report, showing an increase of 10,000 emigrants coming to this country to settle over the number of last year, is regarded with great satisfaction by all parties.

The Earl and Countess of Dufferin have issued over 800 invitations for the ball at Rideau Hall on Wednesday next, which will be of surpassing splendor.

Ice on the river is rapidly disappearing.

J. C. Rykert, of St. Catharines, arrived this morning.

Death of Henry C. Kaye.

(Special to The Mercury).

Harriston, April 12.

Henry C. Kaye, Minto Township Clerk for eight years past, died of inflammation of the lungs on Thursday night, the 10th instant, after an illness of two weeks. Mr. Kaye was well known in Guelph, having been for some years a resident in this town.

Social and Lecture.

The social which took place in the Primitive Methodist Church, on Thursday evening last, was not as well attended as was expected, although about 200 tickets were sold. Tea was served from 7 p.m.; and an adjournment up stairs to the church was afterwards made, to hear Rev. Mr. Guttery's lecture on George Peabody. The lecturer, who is a most eloquent and powerful speaker, was listened to with the deepest attention. Some of his incidental "hits" at the follies of the day were particularly happy, and were frequently applauded. After a few introductory remarks, the lecturer went on to remark that he wished to draw attention to the lesson of a great life. The men who influenced us most were not the men moving in our midst, but those whose memory alone was with us. And one of the men who were destined to influence in a great measure the destiny of the world, was the man who had written his name in the heart of the Anglo-Saxon in both hemispheres—George Peabody, the philanthropist. That a great deal in a man's character was due in a great measure to his ancestors, was exhibited in a remarkable manner in the ancestral history of the Peabody family, whose doughty deeds and noble character were clearly traced in English history for upwards of 2,000 years. Peabody's life was one of great disadvantages. His school days were finished at ten years of age; he was an apprentice at eleven, and at fifteen had saved enough to buy a bag of flour to bring home to his parents. But he had one advantage—he had a good mother; and we all know the influence of a good mother. His life also illustrated the great secret of success in life. He had the elements of success within himself. He deserved success. He never owned a dollar that he had not actually earned. He had *character*, and character has an immensity to do with success in life. He was courteous, and politeness has a great deal to do with success in business. He had perseverance; he had only four situations in sixty years, and was not a "rolling stone." He had frugality. When living in London, dining with, and giving dinners to, the dignities and grandees of the metropolis, his personal expenses never exceeded $3,000 a year. He was punctual and careful, honest and *safe* in his dealings with all men. And in this we find the great secret of his marvellous success in business. He had *patriotism*, as exhibited in his unostentatious liberality in connection with the great exhibition of London; his action at the time of the American rebellion; his gift of $100,000 to his native town of Danvers; besides his many other deeds of liberality and charity, amounting, in the aggregate to upwards of $7,500,000, and which was not confined to any country, sect or party. Such a man dies not; he becomes a fixed star in the firmament of humanity for ever.

On the motion of the Rev. Mr. Mackie, seconded by Rev. Mr. Middleton, a vote of thanks was proposed to the lecturer, who suitably replied, and the proceedings were brought to a close by the doxology and benediction.

Shooting Match.

A shooting match came off on Good Friday between 10 of Raymond's employes, against other 10 belonging to the factory. The match took place at the Rifle Range. The following is the result:

MADDOCK'S SIDE.

	200 YDS.	400 YDS.	
H. H. Maddock	33333-15	03004- 4	19
H. Nicholson	02200- 4	00023- 5	9
Clive	02301- 9	22400- 8	17
Easton	24330-12	00242- 8	20
Colson	22200- 6	00030- 3	9
Wm. Maddock	23000- 5	00333- 9	14
Croft	30033- 9	00033- 6	15
Bishop	00002- 3	00000- 0	3
C. Maddock	30023- 8	03203- 8	16
C. Nicholson	000		0
Total			122

FAIRLEY'S SIDE.

Fairley	02030- 5	00330- 6	11
Clancey	00000- 0	00200- 2	2
Pepper	20023- 7	32320	10-17
Parker	00000- 0	00002- 2	2
Blundell	00302- 5	20300- 5	10
Moffatt	02000- 2	00003- 3	5
Skinner	34340-14	00000- 0	14
Tinker	00032- 5	00000- 5	5
Garvin	00000- 0	02030- 5	5
Myers	000		0
Total			71

Majority for Maddock's side 51

FIRE AND LOSS OF LIFE.—On Monday night last, the 7th inst., the carriage and waggon works of Mr. R. H. Evans in the village of Priceville, were completely destroyed by fire, and a young man, named Angus McQuarry, who was sleeping in the building was burned to death.

The bridge on the Niagara branch of the Erie Railway at Tonawanda was carried away by the floods on Thursday evening causing a temporary suspension of travel.

THE proposal to amalgamate the Agricultural Societies of North and South Waterloo for show purposes has fallen through.