

New Advertisements.

WANTED.—By Mrs. Lemon, a cook and housemaid. Guelph, Sept. 8, 1874. dtf.

ENGINEER WANTED.—Wanted immediately an engineer to take charge of the engine at Goldie's Mills. Apply at the Mill office. 810-35.

FOR SALE.—A good horse and harness. Apply to Mrs. J. McGarr, Quebec street, Guelph. 810-47.

BLACK SHAWL FOUND.—On Wyndham street to-day. The owner can have it by calling at this office and paying for advertisement. dtf.

BREWER WANTED.—A first-class man and well recommended, for the Assiniboia Brewery Co., near Winnipeg, Manitoba. Apply to James Massey, Guelph. Guelph, Sept. 10, 1874. dtf.

WANTED.—A first-class Sitcher, to run a Sewing Machine, on leather. Also, two shoemakers on Custom per work. R. MACGREGOR & Co. Guelph, Sept. 10, 1874. dtf.

HOT AIR FURNACE.—For sale, Mill's 800 Wood Furnace, as good as new—a coal furnace having been substituted. This may be had on reasonable terms. A. Lemon. Guelph, Sept. 8, 1874. dtf.

WANTED.—By the 1st of October, a Cook in a small family. Apply to Mrs. Blouie, Woolwich street. Guelph, Sept. 4, 1874. dtf.

HORSE AND LIGHT WAGON TO HIRE for light work around town. Apply to John H. Smith, Market Place, Guelph, Sept. 7, 1874. dtf.

COTTAGE TO LET.—To let, a new stone cottage containing six rooms in a good locality, within five minutes' walk of the market house. Apply to S. Burns, at Jackson & Hallett's. 87-dtf.

COOPER WANTED.—Highest wages paid to a suitable party. Apply immediately at the WELLINGTON OIL REFINERY. Guelph, Sept. 12th, 1874. dtf.

WANTED.—Six Joiners, Four Fanning Mill Makers, and Four Boys, at COSSITT'S AGRICULTURAL WORKS. LEVI COSSITT. Guelph, Sept. 11, 1874. dtf.

TENDERS WANTED.—Sealed tenders will be received for Masons', Carpenters', and Plasterers' work for an addition to the town building on St. George's Square for John M. B. and Esq. Plans and specifications given on application at the office, Quebec street, at noon, at my office, Quebec street. The proprietor does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender. STEPHEN BOULT. Architect. Guelph, Sept. 12, 1874. dtf.

M. C. A.—The articles unsold at the Young Men's Christian Association Bazaar last year will be sold by the ladies in one of Mr. Hearst's new stores adjoining Joseph A. Tuvell's at St. George's Square, on Sept. 15th, 16th, 17th, and 18th. All articles to be sold very cheap so would advise an early call. 59-60.

CARD.—Col. Kingsmill not finding it possible to call upon all his friends and acquaintances in order to solicit them to become subscribers to his forthcoming work "Life at St. Helena during the exile of Napoleon," begs to inform them that he has left lists for signatures at the bookstalls of Messrs. Day and Anderson, respectively. Guelph, Sept. 7, 1874. dtf.

FOR SALE.—A splendid chance for a Market Garden. Brick house and five acres land, 5 miles from town. Apply to W. Robertson, Flour and Feed Store, Guelph. dtf.

WANTED.—A nurse, with good references. Apply to MRS. WATKINS. Near G. W. Station. Guelph, Aug. 26th, 1874. dtf.

EDUCATIONAL.—The Misses McDonald will resume their classes for Young Ladies, Tuesday August 19th, corner of Norfolk and Suffolk streets. Terms and particulars given on application. Residence Queen St. N. B.—The Misses McDonald are prepared to give private lessons in Double Entry Bookkeeping. Aug 13-14nd & 15th.

FOR SALE.—A very excellent Building Lot fronting on Paisley Street and running through to Oxford street—about half an acre. Apply to R. Easton, bookbinder, St. George's square, Guelph. dtf.

10 acres of Land wanted, suitable for Strawberries, near the town. Apply to the above. Guelph, July 15, 1874. dtf.

RED MILL Flour and Feed Store, Wyndham Street, Guelph. Family and Pastry Flour, and all kinds of Feed delivered in any part of the Town. K. W. ROBERTSON, Guelph, Sept. 1, 1874. dtf.

HOT MEALS and COFFEE AT ALL HOURS During Exhibition Week. SUTTON'S Confectionery Store, St. George's Square, Guelph. Guelph, Sept. 2, 1874. dtf.

WALBOND'S CONFECTIONERY STORE, Next to Petrie's Drug Store. Choice Confectionery, Ice Cream and Soda Water. CAKES of all kinds constantly on hand. Weddings supplied on short notice. Guelph, July 29, 1874. dtf.

THE GUELPH OIL WORKS. To the Coal Oil Trade. I take this opportunity of letting my old friends and customers know that early this fall, I intend having my new Petroleum Refinery in operation. I am erecting on my old premises between the Grand Trunk and Great Western Railway Freight Stations an Oil Refinery with all the latest improvements for the perfect manufacturing and deodorizing of Petroleum or Coal Oil; and from my long experience in the business, feel confident of giving all in the trade who wish a No. 1 article, fair dealing and entire satisfaction; and to meet the present want of my many customers, I have in stock at my warehouse a large lot of the best London Refined Oil, which I am selling at low rates. Address all Orders to O. Clark, Guelph Oil Works, Guelph, Ont. O. CLARK, dtf.

Guelph Evening Mercury

SATURDAY EVEG, SEPT. 12, 1874

APPRENTICE WANTED.—Wanted, a good active boy, about 16 years of age, from the printing office. Must have a fair education. Apply at once to this office. dtf.

Town and County News

It is not extraordinary that in August we had September weather and now we have August heat? The question is too august for us.

Ms. Wm. TUCKER, Pilkington, who left on the 9th July for England, arrived home on the 9th inst.

OPEN ON MONDAY.—Mr. John Hogg's new store will be open on Monday. Mr. Hogg knows how to keep his word with the public.

ACCIDENT.—On Monday, 7th inst., while Mrs. McCrone, of Bramosa, was milking, a cow ran over her, breaking her left arm near the wrist.

The Waterloo Fall Races will be held on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 23rd, 24th and 25th Sept. inst., when purses to the amount of \$2,400 will be competed for in running, trotting and hurdle races.

On Saturday last, Ellen Tronjen, a little girl aged twelve years, step daughter of Mr. David Ritchie, of Garafaxa, while amusing herself in a swing, slipped and fell to the ground, a distance of 10 or 12 feet, fracturing her right thigh bone.

As the time for fruit stealing appears to have come, we would remind all concerned that by the special law every fruit grower is made his own constable, and can arrest and take before the Justices any fruit thief on his premises. The penalty is fine and imprisonment.

On Wednesday, 9th inst., Peter Grieve of the Ontario House, Ferguson, was out shooting pigeons, and while walking through the woods he stepped upon something which caused his foot to twist under him, breaking the small bone of his leg and partly dislocating his ankle.

FIRE WITHOUT COAL OR WOOD.—Those who want to be economical this winter should buy one of Messrs. Clearburn & Co.'s Grates, with beautiful marbled mantels. They can keep up a good fire in it without coal or wood, and if you don't believe it go and see this patent arrangement in operation to-night at their warehouse in the Alma Block.

THE DROUGHT.—It is much to be feared that the continuous dry weather which has prevailed for so many weeks past will greatly retard the growth of the root crop. In many parts of this county the farmers are experiencing great inconvenience for the want of water for their cattle. Pasture, too, except in very low land, is drying up and withering; so much so that many farmers are feeding their cattle.

THE SOUTHERN EXTENSION.—Mr. J. B. Armstrong, President of the S. W. Agricultural Society has received a letter from Mr. Muir of the G. W. R., stating that every effort will be made to get the Southern Extension of the W. G. & B. R. opened during the Exhibition next week. He is communicating with the new Board of Directors to this end, but cannot give a positive assurance that it will be opened.

THE MARKET.—There was an unusually large number of farmers and country folk in town to-day, and the display of fruit and vegetables in the market was much larger and better than usual on Saturdays—which assertion implies a great deal. The coming Exhibition makes everything in town lively, and the farmers, with a keen eye to business, have taken advantage of the increased demand for their productions, and are consequently doing a thriving business.

Grip, generally playful in his cartoons, is particularly so this week. The story of "Little Mrs. —" forms the subject. Seated on the coffin containing the corpse of the "Little Mystery" is her loving friend Eykert, weeping at the loss of his greatest friend, while near him are the other members of the "Opposition Quartette," whose tears betoken the deepest grief, and whose countenances tell the sad tale that still another scandal has gone to its long home. Grip is for sale at Anderson's and Day's bookstores.

FRUITFUL.—It speaks well for the enterprise of our fruit dealers, but no less, perhaps, for their customers, the citizens of Guelph and neighborhood, that an unusually large quantity of fruit is annually brought here and readily disposed of. This season the business in the hucous elements is greater than ever before. In one day—Friday—there passed through the express office for our town merchants no less than three tons of fruit of various descriptions—peaches occupying perhaps the first place in regard to quantity.

HERNDON'S OPERA HOUSE COMPANY.—This Company, which will be in Guelph during next week, will open on Monday evening with Wallack's drama of "Boeddale, or the Rifle Ball." From the favorable reception accorded this troupe on former occasions, we presume the house will be crowded. The Drill Shed has been fitted up for their entertainments, and now possesses seating capacity for over 1,300 persons. The stage has been enlarged to about 30 x 17 feet, and the arrangements are complete in every particular.

A HORSE THIEF ARRESTED.—On Thursday a young man who gave his name as John McGregor was arrested at Waterloo on the charge of stealing a fine looking horse which he had offered to sell for a very inferior animal, asking only \$5 boot. The bargain was such as might well arouse suspicion, and the thief was taken to Hamilton, where he confessed to having stolen the animal from the premises of Mr. James Howitt, near Guelph. His true name, we understand, is Dyson, and he has been recently in the employ of Mr. Howitt.

The son of R. McKim, Esq., who was injured some weeks ago, by being thrown out of a wagon, is getting better, and will soon be able to move round.

"That Markham Parist."

To the Editor of the Mercury: Sir,—The Guelph Herald of Saturday last contains a vile and scurrilous article under the above caption, reflecting on my character. With your permission I will make a few remarks in reference to these dirty insinuations. The accusations therein made, by innuendoes, are infamously false, and the writer knows it.

The grave charges of firing houses of questionable repute and of stealing revolvers, I deny in toto, and stamp them as false as the author is infamous. His assertion that I made a second visit to the Model Farm after dark, for the purpose of pilfering fruit, is on a par with the entire untruthfulness of the other libels. I give it also an explicit denial, and can by sworn evidence prove my whereabouts every evening while in Guelph. The Herald has made of itself a pretty spectacle as a purile falsifier, and its attack on myself is a sample of its mode of combatting those politically opposed to it. It revels in filth and scandal, and when sensational matter cannot be procured the loyal (t) editor is equal to the emergency, and manufactures such vile stuff as to be well a pretty spectacle as a purile falsifier, and its attack on myself is a sample of its mode of combatting those politically opposed to it.

Youthful errors or an occasional outburst of animal spirits—even if such were displayed by me—should not be noticed by one who despatched intimidating and disloyal letters to influential parties residing in Port Hope, when a savage band of street-throat Fenians were killing our soldiers and desecrating our homes. Any person guilty of such an act as deserving of every honorable man's severest censure.

One who calls the representative of our Sovereign Lady the Queen a "bloated scoundrel," who has been bought like a sheep in the shambles, who to use his own words, has "no character to lose," and who through his scurrility has earned the supreme contempt of his own political party, should not wantonly attack others.

As I have a reputation at stake, I send my article to the Herald, and if you do not receive it in a right spirit by the good people of Guelph. Yours respectfully, WALTER M. DACK, Markham, Sept. 9, 1874.

The Berlin Button Factory.

A writer in the New Dominion Monthly for September has the following in reference to the manufacture of buttons at the factory in Berlin, Ontario—

Arriving at the door we are met by the obliging overseer, Mr. Voglesang, who is also one of the firm, and who, after eyeing us very closely and suspiciously, lest we prove "business spies" in disguise, finally appears at ease, and conducts us first of all to the storeroom, where is kept the raw material out of which buttons are manufactured. This consists of heaps upon heaps of little pellets of things which, at first sight, might be mistaken for small potatoes, or muddy nuts; but a uniformity, observable in their shape and size, invites closer inspection, when they are found to be "ivory nuts," grown on the small "ivory palms," of Brazil and other districts of South America. These nuts receive their name from the close resemblance which they bear internally to ivory. Another singular property they possess is that of hardening on exposure to the air, that is, after the shell has been broken. They are bought by weight, arrive by the car-load, and we are told that from fifty to eighty per cent. of them turns out to be rubbish in the manufacture.

Passing along to the next department, we find a number of boys and girls taking up the nuts, one at a time, striking them sharply with a little iron or wooden wedge, and divesting them of their coats. They are next taken to the sawyers, who, arranged along lengthy benches, each workman confronted by a small circular saw, saw them into slices of the proper thickness, and pass them over to the turners. These latter they are arranged in tiny lathes and turned beautifully on both sides and round the edge, almost in the twinkling of an eye. From the turners they are taken to the borers, who, also by means of little lathes, bore the holes through them, two or four in each, as may be required. This also, in each, as may be required. This also, in each, as may be required.

English Laborers.—A large party of English laborers, sent out to Canada, under the auspices of Mr. Joseph Arch, arrived in Galt by Great Western train on Wednesday evening last. Many of them stopped at the station all night, and in the morning Mayor Kerr, having been notified of their arrival, took steps to at once look after them. The large majority of them were soon engaged for the Credit Valley Railway, and during the morning over 30 of them were sent out to the works now in progress in the western part of the Township. The men generally expressed a preference for farm work, and any of our farmers desirous of obtaining assistance could doubtless be well supplied from amongst those men. Many of them were accompanied by their wives and children, and were a hearty, healthy looking body of men, and will doubtless make good settlers.—Reporter.

Highway Robbery in Hamilton.—On Thursday evening a daring robbery took place in the vicinity of Browne's wharf, Hamilton. Mr. Joseph Hyslop, a respectable-looking, middle aged man, had occasion to go in that direction. As he was walking along the street approaching the wharf, he was seized by two young stalwart fellows. One of them struck him on the head, and when on the ground the precious pair of soundrels proceeded to strip him of every article of wearing apparel. First they removed his hat, next his pants, vest, necktie and boots, dividing the clothing between them; and, of course, the money (\$10 in bills) which was in his pants pocket, was also appropriated. Two men, named McCulloch and Kennedy, had been arrested, and part of the stolen property found in their possession.

Sebastian George, a man lately arrived from Germany, living near St. Jacobs, recently had occasion to get up during the night, and while walking about the house in the dark, he stumbled and fell on a bit of crockery, cutting himself severely across the knee. The poor man is thus deprived of the use of both his legs, as the other one has been dislocated for some time past.

Local and Other Items.

Old Clyde was the first Clydesdale horse imported to Canada. He was brought to Markham in 1841 by Mr. A. Ward.

Mr. John Laidlaw of the Township of Mono, while out riding lately, was thrown from his horse and rather severely injured, being out about the head and face, besides being knocked insensible.

ACCIDENT AT THE BUFFALO RACES.—At the Buffalo races on Thursday last, a rider named Andrew McLaughlin received injuries which will probably prove fatal. He was riding a horse named Bennett, in a hurdle race, and when at the fifth hurdle, the horse stumbled and rolled over him.

Messrs. J. & R. Watt sold on the 7th inst., 5 Southdown and 7 Cotswold Ram Lambs, for shipment to Colorado. These sales to foreigners are gratifying evidence of the success of our breeders and presumptive proof that high farming pays.

The Markham Economist has it from a lady, every way reliable, that last year she made by her dairy \$700! So much for being within reach of the city. But she is a consummate manager, looks well to the ways of her household, and catcheth not the bread of idleness.

BARNETT POST OFFICE.—Since the death of Mr. Elmisle, the late Postmaster at Barnett, Mr. Thomas Davidson has been appointed to that position, and the Post Office, which retains the old name, has been removed to Ennolville, and is now in connection with Mr. John Davidson's shop, opposite Mr. Leybourne's.

Mr. Daniel Bowman, who resides on the 4th Con. of Maryboro', has in his possession a wagon built sixty-five years ago. It was brought from Pennsylvania by Mr. Bowman's ancestors, and has been in use ever since, and Mr. B. asserts that it will still bear a load of at least two tons weight. His aunt has a horse 49 years old, which she still uses for her own driving.

FATAL ACCIDENT NEAR MITCHELL.—On Friday afternoon a young man named James McLacherty went out shooting, near Mitchell, in company with James Jackson. While sitting down he took hold of his gun to draw it towards him, when by some means it was discharged, lodging its contents in the side of his head, from the effects of which he died about an hour afterwards.

AN ELOPEMENT.—A young man, who for the past two months has been canvassing in the county of Essex for the "Bible Looking Glass," recently sold his list of orders for \$230 and eloped with a farmer's daughter, with whom he had become acquainted while staying at her father's over Sunday. The young lady it is said has in her possession a small fortune of \$800. The runaway pair took the early train on Monday for Ogdensburg where they were made one, and thence to Rochester.

A SPARKING ACCIDENT.—As Mr. Frank Gable, of Ancaster, and Miss B. Jones, of Berlin, were driving down from Berlin the other day, a spark from the pipe which Mr. Gable was smoking dropped on the dress of Miss Jones, but was not noticed by either party until quite a blaze had started, and was with great difficulty extinguished, after having destroyed a great portion of the dress and clothing of Miss Jones, whose hair and right arm were also badly burned. Mr. Gable's hand was also badly scorched.

ONTARIO FEMALE COLLEGE.—The corner stone of the Ontario Female College was laid at Oshawa, on the 11th August, at which there were from twelve hundred to fifteen hundred people present. The location of the College is very good, being on a beautiful elevation, sloping to the south and east, affording a commanding view of Oshawa, Cedar Dale and Lake Ontario. It is to be conducted on the principle of Mount Holyoke Seminary, Mass. We wish the projectors every success in their undertaking.

WINNIPEG MARKETS.—The Manitoban gives the following as the market quotations in that city on the 28th August, which will give some guide as to the cost of living there. Wheat (none offering), \$1.50 per bushel; Oats, \$2; flour, \$3.25 to \$4.25; bran, \$30 per ton; potatoes, \$1.50 per bushel; beef, 12c; pork, 20c; salt pork, 15c; eggs, 25c; 30c per dozen; fresh butter, 35c; 30c; salt butter, 30c; premium, 30c; salt \$2 per bushel; wood, \$3 per cord; hay, \$8 per ton. Of course dry goods and groceries are high, and house rents exorbitant, as is the case in all new countries crowded with immigrants.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—As the Cunard steamer Cuba was entering the dock at Jersey City to-night, a tug boat ran against the hawser, catching it in such a manner as to crush Mrs. Kirk and son William, standing on deck of the canal boat Hornet, against her cabin, killing the latter and fatally injuring the former.

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As regards Mexico the Emperor had to choose between evacuation and a war with the United States; to avoid a conflict he gave the order to return, but Maximilian was unwilling either to return to Austria or to abdicate, although he well understood that Napoleon could not sustain a struggle with the United States. Maximilian, in spite of wise counsels, preferred to seek an honorable death. That is the truth and extent of each one's responsibility. For my consolation the thought remains that even Washington did not escape injustice and truth. Lafayette passed through ordeals more terrible than mine. In conclusion, the Marshall says "I am far from being rich, but besides my liberty there still remains to me immeasurable treasures. For companions I have an American lady who gives me the strongest proofs of devotion; I have children I adore, a brother and some friends who have remained faithful. My position is not hopeless; if need should be, I would follow the example of conquered Richmond and take refuge in labor. I do not look on my military career as ended; I enjoy health and bodily vigor. Some duties remain to be fulfilled and I shall fulfil them when the time comes. I hope fortune will grant me a last smile as she often does to old soldiers."

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THE HAMILTON CALEDONIANS.—The Caledonian Society, an organization recently formed in Hamilton for the perpetuation of Scottish customs and institutions, held their first annual gathering at the Crystal Palace on Friday. This Society already numbers nearly 500 members, and is almost as large as the Caledonian Society of New York city. The fête was attended by over 10,000 people, and was the grandest affair of the kind held this season.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE MERCURY

Accident on a Canal Boat. Letter from Marshal Bazaine. Drouth in Pennsylvania.

Competition Among the Steamships. Comments on Moulton's Statement. Terrible Railway Accident.

London, Sept. 11.—A terrible collision occurred this morning on the Great Eastern Railway near Norwich. Fifteen persons were instantly killed and thirty injured. Some of the latter, it is feared, will not survive.

The number of casualties in consequence of the collision on the Cambridge line of the Great Eastern Railway is greater than at first reported. Twenty persons were killed outright and fifty wounded, some of whom are very badly hurt, and additional deaths are expected every hour. The railway line is completely blocked by the debris of the wrecked trains. The scene at the place of the collision is described as terrible, and the cries of the wounded as heart-rending.

London, Sept. 12.—A special despatch to the Times from Calcutta says: All apprehensions of a second year of famine are ended. There is partial failure of crops in some districts but no greater than in ordinary years.

By the recent agreement of the Atlantic Steamship Company at Liverpool, a uniform rate of passage was fixed at \$5 for both slow and fast steamers between Liverpool and Boston. Passengers intending to land at New York were thus enabled to travel in fast boats at slow boat prices by tickets from Boston.

The slow lines have consequently withdrawn from the agreement and competition has recommenced; passengers are now taken on some lines at three guineas.

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From Toronto.

Toronto, Sept. 12.—In the election court, yesterday, re South Simcoe petition, Hoyle obtained a summons for particulars.

The smoke from bush fires north of the city is very dense today. The temperature is more moderate today. Thermometer, 74° in the shade. The first meet of the Toronto hounds did not take place to-day on account of the hot weather, and has been postponed till next Saturday.

POLICE COURT.

(Before the Police Magistrate.) Sept. 12. John C. Brohman, for leaving the employment of G. B. Fraser before the time of his engagement had expired, was fined \$10 and costs.

University College.

The Chair of Natural Science, vacated by the resignation of Dr. Nicholson, has been filled by the appointment of Mr. Ramsey Wright, of Edinburgh. This gentleman was educated at the High School and University of Edinburgh, and showed so great a devotion to natural science, that immediately after he had taken his degrees as Master of Arts and Bachelor of Science, he acted as assistant to Dr. Balfour, Professor of Botany, and also to Professor Cairns, of Leipzig, who is acting as substitute for Dr. Wylie Thomson, now absent in the United States, in the chair of Zoology. Mr. Wright is described as a popular speaker and teacher, a good linguist, and so earnestly devoted to his work as to be certain to take a high place in the world of science. He is a young man, and the University may fairly anticipate many years of good service from him.—Globe.

THE Teewater News pleadingly asks that the village be provided with a lock-up.

Three men were arrested in Berlin on Tuesday for having entered Mr. Menno Erb's cellar and helped themselves to a hearty lunch of cakes and milk.

A despatch from Copenhagen says that great indignation is felt there in consequence of repeated arbitrary expulsions of Danish subjects from Sleswick by the Prussian Government.

Burglars are rife in Hamilton at present. The stores of Wm. Hernan and Dr. Numan were broken into on Thursday night and a small sum of money extracted.

The saw mill of Mr. Wm. Nisbet, on the Troy Road, Beverly, was recently destroyed by fire. Loss \$4,000; insured for \$1,000. The mill will be immediately rebuilt.

Berlin appropriated its \$2,000 Government surplus to the payment of the balance of \$800 due Mr. Shantz on the Market building, and the payment of \$1,200 interest on Preston and Berlin Railway debentures.

The passenger travel on the G. W. R. is very heavy. A noticeable feature is that of large excursion parties, who have formed a sort of partnership, and take long trips in search of pleasure, amusement and information.

A publishing house in Leipzig, which issued a German translation of Beecher's first volume of "The Life of Christ," has determined to discontinue that work owing to the disreputable disclosures about Mr. Beecher.

Over \$4,000,000 have been raised by popular subscription in Germany to erect a monument of Gustavus Adolphus, the champion of German Protestantism. The site selected is the field of Lutzen, where the great Swedish king fell in battle.

Slang words are not always slang. Take the word "jolly." In John Trapp's "Commentary on the Old and New Testaments," published in London two hundred years ago, it is to be read, "All was jolly quiet at Ephesus before St. Paul came thither."

It is stated that the King of Denmark was so abominably lodged at Thingval, in Iceland, that he was glad to leave his bed in the middle of the night to lie down on the bare floor of a church.

Some one wrote to Horace Greeley inquiring if guano was good to put on potatoes. He said it might do for those whose tastes had become vitiated with tobacco and rum, but he preferred gravy and butter.

The London Omnibus Company have stated that conductors rob them to the extent of £30,000 per annum.

If anything will impress the human mind with awe, it is the expression of the man's face who has just been aroused from snoring in church.

The pale, sad looking young men whom one sometimes meets in the street are not consumptive, are not mourning the loss of a friend, and are not divinity students. They are breaking in tight boots.

THE CROPS NEAR CONESTOGA.—A correspondent of the Berlin Telegraph says: The harvest in this neighborhood is now about over, and I think we may safely say that it is many years since all kinds of grain have been such a good crop. Fall wheat is very fair, with an odd field winter killed or rusked. It is three years since there was as much hay. Many fields will give 80 bushels of oats to the acre. I counted one head which had 200 grains. Now, supposing this farmer to have sown two bushels, and every oak to have done as well, it would just give him four hundred bushels to each acre. If we are to believe all we hear, the middle class precious near getting the spring wheat. Barley, I never saw the like—bright, full grain; the long heads all bending down with their own weight; no rain to darken it after it was cut. The flax is good. Thanks to a Paris green manufactory which we have in the village, our potatoes are excellent. All the other root crops are growing well, and before many months are past will be wending their way to market in the form of good fat beef.