

The Old and New School Presbyterian General Assemblies met in the city of New York last week, and the most important question before them was that of reunion after a separation of upwards of a third of a century. The chief question that divided the body was slavery, although other points, some of them doctrinal, were the alleged cause of division; and now that slavery is gone, and the generation that quarrelled has nearly passed away, there are good hopes that a spirit of unity may prevail. The Old School, which excluded the New, was the first to make overtures for reunion some years ago, and the question has since been discussed at great length in the numerous religious papers and all the Presbyteries of both churches. If the reunion is not accomplished now, it will probably be postponed indefinitely, hence the great interest that attaches to the present meeting of these Assemblies.

For all the purposes for which a liniment is used, Dr. J. Briggs' Alligator, is superior to any preparation that the skill of man has yet discovered. As an internal remedy it has never been excelled, owing to its healing balsamic properties in irritations of the mucous membrane of the alimentary canal, air passages and urinary organs, and at the same time exercising a powerful sedative influence upon the nervous centre, thereby subduing pain, allaying morbid excitement and irritability, and imparting a feeling of comfort, ease and tranquillity to the whole system. Sold by druggists and country merchants generally. For sale by E. Harvey & Co., Guelph.

A law has just been passed in the State of New York, permitting persons accused to be sworn and give testimony in their own behalf. It is said to have given great satisfaction in the few cases tried in New York. In one case one of the accused, in an assault case, admitted the truth of the statement made by the prosecutor, and testified to it willingly.

COMMERCIAL.
Guelph Markets.

MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH.
May 25, 1869.

Flour, 100 lbs	2 00	@	2 25
Wheat, 100 bush	0 50	@	0 50
Spring Wheat, 100 bush	0 50	@	0 50
Oats, 100 bush	0 50	@	0 50
Peas, do	0 75	@	0 75
Barley, do	0 80	@	0 80
Hay, 1 ton	10 00	@	12 00
Straw, 1000 lbs	3 00	@	4 00
Shingles, 1000	0 25	@	1 20
Wood, 1000	3 00	@	3 50
Eggs, 1 dozen	0 11	@	0 15
Butter, (store packed) 1 lb	0 15	@	0 17
do (dairy packed) 1 lb	0 15	@	0 17
Grease, each	0 11	@	0 10
Turkeys each	0 60	@	1 20
Chickens, 1 pair	0 25	@	0 30
Ducks, do	0 40	@	0 50
Potatoes per bag	0 75	@	0 80
Apples, 1 bag	1 00	@	1 25
Lamb, 1 lb	0 04	@	0 05
Beef, 1 lb	0 05	@	0 12
Pork, 100 lbs	7 00	@	0 00
Sheep Pelts each	0 50	@	1 25
Lambskins	0 50	@	1 00
Hides	4 00	@	5 50

Money Market.
ACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE
Guelph, May 25, 1869.

Gold, 141.
Greenbacks at 69 to 70, sold at 70 to 71c.
Silver bought at 5 to 6 dis; sold at 4 to 5.
Upper Canada Bank Bills bought at 60c to 60 Royal Canadian Bank Bills bought at 60c to 60

MONTREAL MARKET.
Kirkwood, Livingston & Co's report by special telegraph to "Evening Mercury."
Montreal, May 25, 1869.

Flour—Extra, \$4 00 to \$4 75; Family, \$4 50 to \$4 60; Welland Canal Superfine, \$4 25 to \$4 38; Superfine No. 1 Canada wheat, \$4 25 to \$4 45; Superfine No. 2 Western wheat, \$4 25 to \$4 30; No. 2 do, \$4 05 to \$4 12; Bar, flour, \$2 10 to \$2 15; Wheat—Canada Fall, \$1 05 to \$1 00; Spring, \$1 02 to \$1 04; Western, \$0 97 to \$0 98; Oats, per 32 lbs, 45c to 46c; Barley, per 48 lbs, \$1 00 to \$1 05; Butter—dairy 14c to 15c; store packed 14c to 15c; Ashes—Pork \$5 50 to \$5 55, pearls \$5 50 to \$5 55; Pork—Mess, \$20 00 to \$20 50; Prime \$19 50 to \$20 00. Peas, 75c to 80c.

TORONTO MARKETS.
Toronto, May 24.

Fall wheat, \$0 99 to \$1 00; spring wheat \$0 95 to \$0 96; flour, No. 1 super \$4 05, extra \$4 25; barley \$0 80; peas, 72c to 73c; oats, 56c to 57c.

HAMILTON MARKETS.
HAMILTON, May 24.

Barley, 0 80 to 0 85; peas, 0 70 to 0 75; oats, 51c to 52c; spring wheat, 0 80 to 85; white wheat, 1 00 to 1 00; red winter, 0 94 to 0 96.

BACHELOR'S HAIR DYE
This splendid Hair Dye is the best in the world. The only true and perfect dye—Harmless, Reliable, instantaneous. No disappointment. No ridiculous tints. Remedies the effects of bad dyes. Invigorates and leaves the hair soft and beautiful brown or black. Sold by all Druggists and Perfumers, and properly applied at Bachelor's Wig Factory No. 16, Bond St. N.Y. dwly

Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry.
In the whole history of medical discoveries no remedy has performed so many and such remarkable cures of the numerous affections of the throat, lungs and chest, as this long-tried and justly celebrated Balsam. So generally acknowledged is the superior excellence of this remedy, that but few of the many who have tested its virtues by experience fail to keep it at hand as a speedy and certain cure for sudden attacks of cold. Fully believing that its remedial powers are comprehensive enough to embrace every form of disease, from the slightest cold to the most dangerous symptom of pulmonary complaint.

UNSOLICITED TESTIMONY.
From the Rev. Francis Lobdell, Pastor of the South Congregational Church, Bridgeport, Connecticut.
"I consider it a duty which I owe to suffering humanity to bear testimony to the virtues of Dr. Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry. I have used it—when I have had occasion for any remedy for coughs, colds, or sore throat—for many years, and never in a single instance has it failed to relieve and cure me. I have frequently been very hoarse on Saturday, and looked forward to the delivery of two sermons of the following day with anxiety and misgivings, but by a liberal use of the Balsam my hoarseness has invariably been removed, and I have preached without difficulty. I commend it to my brethren in the ministry, and to public speakers generally, as a certain remedy for the bronchial troubles to which we are peculiarly exposed." Prepared by SETH W. FOWLE & SON, 18 Tremont Street, Boston, and for sale by druggists generally.

Grace's Celebrated Salve.
From Mr. E. Tucker, Depot Master at Salisbury, Mass.: "I have been troubled for years with a bad humor; sometimes outwardly and sometimes inwardly. During the past summer it manifested itself more than usual outwardly, and I used your Salve. All signs of it have since disappeared, without affecting me inwardly, indicating, I think, the curative nature of the Salve."

SETH W. FOWLE & SON, Boston, Prop's.
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The most perfect preparation for the Hair ever offered to the public to restore gray hair to its original color, and create a new growth where it has fallen off from disease or natural decay. It will prevent the hair from falling out. All who use it are unanimous in awarding it the praise of being the best Hair Dressing extant. Our Treatise on the hair sent free by mail. Manufactured only by R. P. HALL & CO., Nashua, N. H., Proprietors. Sold by all druggists. my 17-4 dw 1m

Allen's Celebrated Lung Balm—Cures Colds, Coughs and Consumption.
Allen's Celebrated Lung Balm—Cures Bronchitis, Asthma and Croup.
Allen's Celebrated Lung Balm—Imparts strength to the system.
Allen's Celebrated Lung Balm—pleasant to take.
Allen's Celebrated Lung Balm—a very pious 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,
380, St Paul Street Montreal.
A. B. PETRIE and E. HARVEY, Agents for Guelph.
Feb 23—dw 1m

1869. **SPRING.** 1869.
BRITANNIA RULES the WAVE

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THE MOST EXTENSIVE IMPORTER OF

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The largest, most comprehensive, and by far the CHEAPEST and best assorted Stock of Spring and Summer Dry Goods ever brought into Canada, is now being offered for sale at the

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Clothing made to order in our usual satisfactory manner.

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AN IMMENSE REDUCTION
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The Whole to be Rushed Off
At Tremendous Low Prices!

Splendid Stoneware Tea Sets, \$2.50
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Everything in the line equally cheap.

HUGH WALKER,
Guelph, May 12. dw Opposite the English Church

1869. **SPRING.** 1869.
NEW & FASHIONABLE GOODS.

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Practical Watchmaker, late of the Sheffield House, Toronto—the largest and most fashionable House in the Dominion, begs to intimate to the people of Guelph and the vicinity that he has received and opened at his store,
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A large and choice assortment of the following Goods, adapted for the present season:

GOLD & SILVER WATCHES,
CHAINS, GUARDS, &c. FINE COLOURED AND BRIGHT GOLD BROOCHES AND BARRINGS, FINE COLOURED AND BRIGHT GOLD COLLAR BUTTONS, STUDS, AND SOLITAIRES.

JET and BOG OAK, RUBBER and IVORY JEWELLERY.
Spectacles—A large assortment of Periscope, Rock Crystals, &c. common Spectacles.

Electro-Plated Ware—Spoons, Forks, Butter Coolers, Butter Knives, Castors, Cake Baskets, Servers, Toast Racks, &c. all of the very best plate and newest patterns. **JOSEPH RODGERS' & SON'S TABLE CUTLERY.** PAPER MACHIE—steel and iron. TRAYS—best quality. VASES—Lustre and Bohemian Glass and other vases. CLOCKS—in great variety and at all prices. Repair Sets, Lacresses and Balls.

REPAIRING DONE PROMPTLY AND AT LOW PRICES. ENGRAVING OF EVERY DESCRIPTION ATTENDED TO.
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Guelph, April 30. dw Next door to Berry's Confectionery Store, Wyndham-St.

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The Trust and Loan Company have funds for investment on the security of first-class town and farm property, and are also prepared to purchase good mortgages. The rate of interest is 8 per cent. No commission charged. The loans are usually for five years, but can be made for shorter or longer terms, and repayable by annual instalments if desired by borrowers. The tariff of legal fees is assimilated to those of the principal loaning institutions in Ontario. For further information apply at the Company's office in Kingston, or to **DAVIDSON & CHADWICK, Guelph.**

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK,
Have also a large amount of
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On hand for investment.
Money invested and interest collected. Mortgages bought subject to examination of title and valuation of property offered.

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The STANDARD takes risks at very reasonable rates, and Policy holders are secured by the very large sum of accumulated and invested Funds, viz \$15,000,000, and the Company have made the deposit with the Government of the Dominion of Canada required by the new Act.

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Have a number of **FARMS** for sale in the Co's of Wellington and adjoining Counties.

Also, Town Lots and Houses
In Guelph, Berlin, Fergus, &c.

AMARANTH
Lot 22, in the 10th Concession, 200 acre
Lots 17, 18 and 19, 5th Con., 600 acres

ARTHUR.
South-half of Lot 15, 3rd Con., 100 acres, 60 of which are in a high state of cultivation, and well fenced, watered by a creek crossing the centre of the farm; a two story house and good barn on the lot.

ERIN.
West-half of Lot 8, in the 1st Con., 100 acres, 80 cleared, good frame barn and shed, and parlor and frame dwelling house; well watered &c.

ELORA.
Valuable Tavern Stand for sale in the Village of Elora, at present leased to Robert Cook being lots 5 and 6, corner Victoria and Walnut Streets, with stabling for 40 horses.

CARAFRAX.
West-half of Lot 1, in 15th Con., with 50 acres of Lot 2—a splendid farm, with good outbuildings—100 acres of it are cleared, and adjacent another 100 acres, 85 of which are cleared, in Erin, making if desired a block of 250 acres.

GUELPH TOWNSHIP.
Valuable Farm on the Ermosa Road, containing 50 acres, 65 cleared, well watered, an orchard, two story stone house, with cellar basement. Frame barn 50 x 30, and other outbuildings. Within a mile of the market house.

TOWN OF GUELPH.
Private Residence—Consisting of 24 acres, on which there is a two-story brick house 40 x 40, in thorough repair, stone and frame stabling, an excellent garden and orchard well stocked with choice fruit trees in full bearing, watered by spring creek.

Water Privilege and Mill Site. containing 13 acres, composed of the north parts of Lots 2, 3 and 4 and Lots 5 and 6, in Oliver's Survey, on the Waterloo Road.

Four Quarry Lots. being Nos. 21, 22, 23 and 24 on the Waterloo Road.

Two story brick house on Queen Street, with stable and sheds, at present occupied by Mr. J. P. Martin

Lot 158, Market Street, next to Mr. Hoffera's residence.

LUTHER.
North-half Lot 18, in the 4th Con., 100 acres
South-half Lot 19, 4th " 100 "

Lot 18, 5th " 200 "
Lot 25, 5th " 200 "
Lot 4, 11th " 200 "
Lot 15, 11th " 200 "
N 1/2 Lot 19, 11th " 200 "
Lot 16, 12th " 174 "
N 1/2 Lot 17, 12th " 100 "
Lot 18, 12th " 200 "
Lot 19, 12th " 200 "
Lot 11, 13th " 200 "
Lot 19, 13th " 200 "
Lot 4, 9th " 200 "
Lot 5, 9th " 200 "
N 1/2 Lot 15, 9th " 100 "
Lot 11, 12th " 200 "

DEBENTURES WANTED.
Wanted, \$50,000 of County Debentures, small or large—those having several years to run preferred.

Remuneration will be given to all prepaid letters addressed to
DAVIDSON & CHADWICK
Genera Ag Town Hall Buildings, Guelph, 25th January

1869. **SPRING.** 1869.
ALMA BLOCK, GUELPH.

WHOLESALE.
We are now receiving our Spring Importations of
Crockery, China and Glassware!
Cutlery, Plated Ware, and Fancy Goods.

The above Goods have been purchased by one of the firm in the best Markets of Britain, and will for cheapness and quality compare with any other House in the Dominion. We respectfully solicit a call.
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Guelph, 14th April. dw

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CABINET AND
METROPOLITAN ORGANS!
HAS JUST BEEN RECEIVED.

THEY are acknowledged the best Instruments of their class in the world. More than three hundred prominent American Artists, and a great many European Musicians have given written testimony to their great superiority. They have been awarded SEVENTY-FIVE GOLD SILVER MEDALS at the principal Industrial Fairs in the United States. But their crowning glory was provided with all the Latest Improvements, including the
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HEAVY RATED CATALOGUES with full description and prices of the various style of Instruments sent free to any applicant. **Canvassing Agents Wanted.**
W. WARNER CLARK, Guelph.
Guelph, 15th April. dw 1m

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C. & A. SHARPE
Call attention to their stock of SEEDS, the growth of 1868, consisting of

MANGEL WURTZEL SEED!
LONG RED, very large Solid variety suitable for deep soils.
LONG YELLOW, for deep soils, grows very large and keeps well.
YELLOW GLOBE, very heavy cropper for shallow soil.
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SHARPE'S INTERMEDIATE, recently introduced by H. & F. Sharpe, and proved to be the best variety of Mangel grown both as regards crop, solidity and keeping; is of oval shape, and grows well on either deep or shallow soil.

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EARLY SCARLET HORN, short, for shallow soil, when sown thick is very prolific.
LONG RED ALTINGHAM, very large and solid, good for deep soil.
LONG ORANGE, for table use, and superior for field culture where the soil is deep.
SCARLET INTERMEDIATE, grows very thick and is one of the heaviest croppers; does well on shallow soil.
WHITE BELGIAN, a large variety for field culture, grows very abundant on deep soil.

ALL VARIETIES OF FIELD, GARDEN AND FLOWER SEEDS.
SUPER-PHOSPHATE OF LIME AND RAW BONE DUST.
Catalogues sent post free to any address on application.

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Gue ph, April 23. dw 1m

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A DELICIOUS TEA CAKE AT
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FRESH MADE BISCUITS & CRACKERS
Picnic Biscuits, Lemon Biscuits, Oyster Crackers, Captain Biscuits, Fancy Biscuits. All war anted fresh made by a splendid new machine. WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.
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