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Guelph Evening Mercury
FRIDAY EVENING, SEPT. 27, 1872
BOYS WANTED.
Any number of Boys wanted to sell the DAILY MERCURY next week. Apply at the Office.

Local and Other Items.
The members of the church of England in Drayton intend giving a grand concert of vocal and instrumental music in the Christian Church on the evening of Tuesday, the 9th of October. Several well known professionals have kindly promised their services.

The Fergus Express says that Mr. Eugene Scanlon, of Lower Nichol, sold his farm this week, for the sum of \$4,000. Mr. Scanlon has purchased two hundred acres of land, in North Carolina, where he intends spending the remainder of his days.

The Essence of Fun.—Mr. John Anderson has sent us this repository of fun, edited by Tom Hood. It is a collection of the best witicisms, culled from all the best periodicals, and profusely illustrated in the first style of the art. For driving away the blues and making one laugh the "Essence of Fun" is omnipotent. Copies at Anderson's.

W. G. & B. RAILWAY.—The Port Elgin Free Press says—Before this number reaches the majority of our subscribers, the "Iron horse" will enter the limits of the village. The contractor, Mr. Hendrie has pushed forward the work with considerable zeal. There are gangs of men working between Port Elgin and Southampton.

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INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.
In the matter of JAMES T. MITCHELL and ADAM CLARK McLEROY, of the Town of Guelph, trading under the style and firm of Mitchell & McLeroy, merchants, insolvents.
The Insolvents have made an assignment of their estate to me, the Creditors are notified to meet at their office in Guelph on Tuesday, the First day of October, at ten o'clock, a.m. to receive statements of their affairs, and to appoint an assignee.

The Gov.-General in Hamilton.
His Reception in the Ambitious City.
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Thousands upon thousands of people crowded the depot to its utmost capacity, and platforms, rooms, grounds, tracks and cars were packed almost solidly. Such a crush and jam is only to be seen once in a lifetime. From early daylight the country people crowded into the city, and when the trains began to arrive the crush became something awful.

The Local Committee of the Fair were in attendance, as was also the Mayor and Corporation, who came down in carriages, and brought one with a span of greys for the use of His Excellency.

On the platform and dais were Hon. A. Mackenzie, Hon. A. McKellar, Hon. F. G. Howe, W. S. G. Knowles, Hon. Samuel D. McInnes, Esq., Col. McCreer, Col. Skinner, 13th Batt., Hamilton; Col. Barnett, 40th Batt., Lincoln; W. K. Muir, Esq., Judge Logie, J. I. Mackenzie, the Mayor and Aldermen, the members of the Board of Trade, and many distinguished local and foreign gentlemen.

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PRESENTATION IN HESPELER.—On Monday evening last, Mr. James Jardine, leader of the choir in the Canada Presbyterian Church, of Hespeler, was presented with an address, accompanied by a watch valued at \$25, by the members of the choir and others of the congregation, to which he made a suitable reply. Mr. Jardine has been leader of the choir for some time, and as he would accept of no remuneration for his services from the congregation, they have taken this method of showing their appreciation of his method.

Guelph Fall Races.
The Guelph Turf Club, undeterred by their unrequited exertions in 1871, have this year again ventured to appear before the public as caterers for their amusement, and if we take the attendance yesterday, (Thursday) as an index of the popular verdict we should decidedly infer that racing has gone out of fashion in Guelph, with but slim chances of a profitable revival. The day was propitious, with the exception of a rather high wind, which blew directly in the face of the fair but seamy occupants of the Grand Stand, to their somewhat chilly inconvenience. The track was in admirable condition, the rain of the previous day having largely contributed to keep down the almost inevitable race-course dust.

The annual meeting of this Institute was held in Hamilton on Wednesday evening. Among the delegates present were Messrs. Charles Raymond and David McCrae from the Guelph Mechanics' Institute. Mr. Jas. Young presided. The annual report set forth that during the past year 43 institutes became affiliated with the association, by participating in the Legislative grant, and paying five per cent. thereof to the Treasurer, in accordance with the requirements of the statute.

In the second, an open running race, mile heat, best two in three, although there were three entries, but two horses came to the post—Messrs. Forbes & Boyle's ch. s., Judge Durrell, and Messrs. Fisher & Carson's b. g. Kelso. Mr. Campbell's g. m. Donkey, having hurt himself, was unable to contest the race, to the great disappointment of the spectators, as this horse has the reputation of being the fastest in the Dominion.

2nd heat.—Quite an excellent start was effected, the Judge leading, with scarcely ever more than a length ahead. In the straight running Kelso made up to his opponent, but the heat was finished precisely as was the first, and won by the head. Great and manifest dissatisfaction was shown by the crowd at the result of both heats, the race evidently being considered a "sell." The Judges themselves took a considerable time before announcing their decision, which, amid loud hurrying, was ultimately announced to be as "no heat," and the consequence was a third heat had to be run, the owners of the respective horses having been warned by the Judges of the consequence of not allowing their horses to run a fair and square race.

The next race was a trotting one, open to all horses that have never trotted better than 2 min. 38 sec., mile heats 3 in 5. 1st premium \$225, 2nd \$75. For the race there were but two entries, Mr. John Ellis's J. Ellis, and Mr. W. T. Campbell's Royal Magna. J. Ellis went away with the lead and maintained it to the close, coming in an easy winner. Time 2 min. 39 sec.

The Governor-General made a suitable reply. He and Lady Dufferin then, followed by His Excellency's suite, the members of the Government, and the local and foreign gentlemen, walked round the ring cheered by the immense crowd who gathered round the ropes, probably numbering 10,000. The prize horses were then trotted out and inspected by His Excellency, after which the prize cattle were brought out, and examined by Lord Dufferin with the eye of a connoisseur. This inspection over the gubernatorial and Governmental party again entered their carriages and were driven round the grounds, and thence to Hon. Isaac Buchanan's. The remainder of the afternoon was passed there, and His Excellency then proceeded to Mr. D. McInnes's, a select party being invited to meet him, including several members of the Government and local members of Parliament.

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declared winner of the heat and race, with Juliet so close a second that the backers of the former must have felt their bets in a somewhat critical position. Lady Goulson in this as in the previous heat declined unnecessarily marring the excitement of the finish between the other two by remaining a respectable distance in the rear. This concluded the programme of the day's sports, and not before time, as the shades of evening rapidly gathered themselves into night as the last heat of race No. 4 was ended.

Attached to the report was a programme of studies and examinations to be open to all members of affiliated institutes, or of the classes, who are not students of any college. Copper plate certificates of three grades, printed on parchment, will be awarded to the successful candidates, indicating "Excellence," "Proficiency" and "Competence." In addition to the diplomas, the Association will award them prizes of the value of \$10, \$6 and \$4 respectively, to any affiliated institute, or Institute, which may have secured the best average of marks, or the largest number of students, or the largest number of students, or the largest number of students.

Art and Agricultural Association.
ANNUAL MEETING.
The annual meeting of the Agricultural and Arts Association was held on Thursday evening, about 300 delegates being present. Stephen White, of Chatham, on taking the chair, read the Annual Address, for which he was tendered a vote of thanks.

The Secretary, Mr. Hugh Thomson, called the names of the delegates and read the minutes of the last annual meeting, which were approved. Dr. Beadle, of St. Catharines and F. W. Stone, of Guelph, were appointed auditors. The next business was deciding on the place of the next exhibition.

Mr. Geo. Elliott proposed Guelph. Mr. John Mair, Warden of Wellington, seconded the motion. Mr. Ira Morgan, of the County of Russell, proposed Ottawa city, and Mr. Archibald McNab, of Lochiel, Glengarry, seconded the motion.

The Great Western Railway and the Guelph Central Exhibition.
The Great Western Railway will, during the week of the Exhibition, issue return tickets from all stations to and from Guelph at one fare for the double journey, good from Monday 30th Sept., to the 5th October, both inclusive. They will also run additional trains to and from Guelph on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. On these days the special train will leave Paisley at 6 a. m., and returning will leave Guelph at 6 p. m. A special train will also leave Harrisburg each of the above days at 8.15 a. m., arriving at Guelph at 10 a. m., and returning will leave Guelph at 5.35 p. m. Excursion tickets to be valid for the return trip from Guelph, must have the Central Exhibition stamp upon them, which will be obtained at the offices on the Fair Grounds, on presentation of the tickets.

THE GRAIN CROP IN ENGLAND.—The opinion on the grain crops of England have altered lately. The Spectator observes: "The aggregate reports from the wheat producing countries indicate that corn will be dear during the coming year but not extravagantly so. The home crop is good, but from 10 to 15 per cent. under average the crop in South Russia and Hungary is very poor, and the crop in Germany is not good. The United States, however, will reach its average, and the crop in France, Italy and Spain is the best known for years, so good that France will be able to export largely." There need be no fear of grain being dear if it be true that the farmers of Minnesota will have not less than 20,000,000 bushels of surplus wheat to put in the market.

THE LARGEST EXHIBITORS in this line are Messrs. A. & J. Copp, of Hamilton; who exhibit no less than 93 different patterns, and would have exhibited more if space could have been had. These stoves have been taken out of the general stock of this firm, and were not made with any special view to exhibition, but they are splendid specimens of foundry work.

The Provincial Exhibition.
The following prizes are awarded to exhibitors in this District:—
PRIZE LIST.
CATTLE.
HEMPSTEDS.—Best bull 4 years old and upwards, Geo. Hock, Guelph, 2nd F. W. Stone; best two year old bull F. W. Stone; best yearling bull, F. W. Stone; best bull calf (under one year) F. W. Stone, 2nd Geo. Hock, 3rd F. W. Stone; best bull of any age, F. W. Stone—3rd diploma best cow, F. W. Stone, 2nd do., 3rd do.; best 3 year old heifer, F. W. Stone, 2nd do., 3rd do.; best one year old heifer, F. W. Stone, 3rd do.; best heifer calf (under one year) F. W. Stone, 2nd F. W. Stone.

GRASS CATTLE.—Best grade cow, Peter Rennie, West Garafraxa, 3rd J. & R. Hunter, Nichol; best three year old cow, J. & R. Hunter, 2nd Peter Rennie; best two year old heifer, J. & R. Hunter, 2nd J. & R. Hunter, 3rd J. & R. Hunter; best one year old heifer, J. & R. Hunter; best heifer calf (under one year) J. & R. Hunter, 3rd Peter Rennie.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.
Case, for or any kind of instrument, best made and finished, 1st McLeod, Wood & Co., Guelph; best harmonium, W. Bell & Co., Guelph; 2nd do., J. A. Livingstone, Brantford; best melodeon, W. Bell & Co.; 2nd do., McLeod, Wood & Co.; best organ, cabinet or parlor, W. Bell & Co.; 2nd do., McLeod, Wood & Co.

WOOLEN GOODS.
Chief among the exhibitors in this class is the well-known Guelph firm of Armstrong, McCrae & Co., who show a splendid assortment of Cardigan jackets men's drawers of a very superior quality, and undershirts to match, also woolen socks and a number of children's fancy jackets. They have been deservedly awarded the gold medal for samples of their wool underclothing. We have often had occasion to speak of the very superior quality of the goods manufactured by this firm, and we now congratulate them on the highly honorable recognition of the excellence of their fabrics by the bestowal of this the highest prize that can be granted by the association.

Messrs. Barber & Brother, of Streetville, have an assortment of some forty pieces of the best of excellent quality and varied patterns; also some satinet and full cloth. They indicate a wonderful change from the time, comparatively recent, when coarse satinet and homely Canadian grey were the only productions which Canada could show in this line.

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THE SHOW in this department is decidedly poor. The display is quite inferior to that which we were entitled to expect. A very fine sample of work was shown which was sent to the Association from Mr. R. Brown, of North Saanbeck, Vancouver, British Columbia, which weighed