

## Apothecaries' Hall!

MARKET SQUARE.

JUST received, a large supply of  
**Hagan's Magnolia Balm.**  
LAIRD'S

**BLOOM OF YOUTH**  
For Beautifying the Complexion, Eradicating  
Wrinkles, Eruptions, Sunburn and Tan.

**A. B. PETRIE,**  
Chemist, Market Square.

**OATS**  
DOWN TO  
**55 CENTS IN SILVER.**

**FLOUR DOWN**  
To \$3.62; in Silver,

At **WEBSTER'S.**  
Guelph, June 12, 1868.

## Dissolution of Partnership.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Partnership heretofore existing between James Smith and Henry Metcalf, in carrying on the Saddle and Harness business, is this day dissolved by mutual consent, and that the business in future will be carried on by Henry Metcalf, in the Town of Guelph, who will discharge all debts and collect accounts due to the firm.  
Witness  
JAMES SMITH,  
HENRY METCALF.  
H. Metcalf begs to return his sincere thanks to the numerous customers of the late firm, and would solicit a continuance on his own behalf of the patronage so liberally bestowed on them. He shall, by strict attention to business, endeavour to meet the wants of his customers, and to keep up the reputation of the old firm.  
All overdue Accounts to the late firm must be settled immediately.  
Guelph, 13th June, 1868.

## CHEAP Photographs

**W. BURGESS**  
BEGS leave to inform his friends and the public of Guelph and surrounding country that having received a large lot of FRAMES suitable for

**Christmas Presents,**  
He will through the HOLIDAYS furnish all kinds of Photographs at greatly

**REDUCED PRICES.**  
Parties wishing to make presents of Photographs to their friends should call at once.

**PICTURES**  
of all kinds furnished in the first style of the art.

Gallery above John A. Wood's Grocery Store.  
**W. BURGESS.**  
Guelph 15th December, 1867.

## TROTTER & GRAHAM,

**DENTISTS!**  
GUELPH and BRAMPTON  
Members of the Dental Association of the Province of Ontario

(Successors in Guelph to T. Trotter.)  
OFFICE:

## Over Mr. Higginbotham's Drug Store

REFERENCES.—Rev. Archdeacon Palmer, Drs. Clarke, Parker and Herod, Guelph; A. F. Scott Esq., County Judge; George Green, County Attorney; Dr. Pattillo, M. M. C.; Rev. Mr. Arnold—Brampton. Dr. Barnhart, Hospital of Peel; Dr. Hampton, resident Surgeon Toronto Hospital.  
The new anæsthetic agents used for extracting teeth without pain.  
W. K. GRAHAM,  
Guelph, 2nd August, 1867.

## CLEAR OUT DAUBERS.

**SHOW ME THE JOB.**  
DOUGLAS GOUCK,  
House, Sign and Decorative Painter,  
And Paper Hanger,  
at the Old Established Stand,  
No. 1, Douglas-St.,  
Sign of the man on the Roof.  
Guelph, 12th May.

## Second Hand Clothes

**SECOND-HAND CLOTHING** bought and sold. Clothes made to order for Men and Boys. Farmers' work made up cheap and strong. Clothing Cleaned and Repaired.  
MARTIN GILL,  
Upper Wynshaw Street, nearly opposite the Wellington Hotel.  
Guelph, 14th May, 1868.

## NORTH-WEST ROUTE.

The Staunch Royal Mail Steamer  
**'WAUBUNO.'**  
J. B. SYMES, Master.

WILL leave Collingwood EVERY TUESDAY MORNING at 7 o'clock for the  
**SAULT STE. MARIE**  
Calling at Owen Sound and all Intermediate Ports. Also will leave Collingwood for

**PARRY Sound every Saturday Morning at 7 o'clock.**  
Passengers leaving Toronto on Tuesday morning can make connection by the steamer "Francis Smith," with the steamer "Waubuno," at Owen Sound, free of charge.

The Parry Sound Route is the cheapest, quickest, and best to the Free Grant Lands of the Parry Sound and Muskoka Territory, and connects with all its Colonization Roads.

For freight and tickets, apply at the Northern Railway Station, or at their office, Brock Street, Toronto.  
J. & W. BEATTY & CO.,  
Thorold and Parry Sound.

**JOHN McDUGALL,**  
Purser, Collingwood and Owen Sound.  
May 21st, 1868.

## New Catechism FOR THE PEOPLE.

WHO do the Largest Boot and Shoe Business in Guelph?  
PREST & HEPBURN.  
Who have the largest and best assorted stock of Boots and Shoes in Guelph?  
PREST & HEPBURN.

Who have the Newest and Best Styles of Boots and Shoes in Guelph?  
PREST & HEPBURN.  
Who have always been ahead in Style, Material, Workmanship, Neatness and Durability?  
PREST & HEPBURN.

The subscribers being the only Manufacturers in Guelph, are in a position to offer inducements to the public which no other House in the Trade can do. CALL AND SEE, and you will be convinced that large and varied as has always been our Stock, the one now on hand far exceeds anything ever shown by us in the past.

**Support Home Manufacture**  
And keep your money in the Country.  
Remember our Goods are all Warranted.  
TERMS Cash, and no Second Price.  
**PREST & HEPBURN.**  
Guelph, June 18.

## Factory Cheese!

At **JOHN A. WOOD'S.**  
**SMOKED, Sugar-cured HAMS.**  
At **JOHN A. WOOD'S.**

## BOTTLED ALE AND PORTER

At **JOHN A. WOOD'S.**  
**SARDINES, LOBSTERS,**  
SALMON and MACKEREL.  
At **JOHN A. WOOD'S.**

## BISCUITS

ALL KINDS, FRESH.  
At **JOHN A. WOOD'S.**  
Guelph, June 17th, 1868.

## PAINTING, GLAZING, & C.

**THOMAS BREADON**  
DOUGLAS-ST., GUELPH,  
Painter, Glazier, Paper Hanger, &c.

## GOOD WORKMANSHIP

And MATERIAL will allow.  
Shop, - - Douglas Street,  
Next door north of Wm. Hoover's Livery Stable, and directly opposite Wm. Brownlow's Undertaking Establishment.  
When not at the shop, orders to be left at Mr. Brownlow's.

## GALLERY OF ART.

**R. W. LAIRD,**  
Looking Glass and Picture Frame  
MANUFACTURER,  
79 King-st. West,  
TORONTO.

## POTATOES!

THE undersigned offers for sale a superior lot of Potatoes of all kinds, to suit the trade, at his Warehouse, No. 4, Gordon Street, Day's Old Block.  
**D. MOULTON.**  
P. S.—Purchasers leaving orders are here their produce delivered at their residence,  
Guelph, May 11th, 1868.

## NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers having contracts with this office are notified that unless their changes for the EVENING MERCURY are handed in before 12 o'clock, their advertisements cannot be altered until the following day. Advertisements for the WEEKLY MERCURY should be handed in as early as possible on Wednesday morning in order to secure insertion.

**Evening Mercury.**  
OFFICE.....MACDONNELL STREET.  
SATURDAY EVEN'G, JUNE 20, 1868.

Gents' and Ladies' RUBBER GUARDS, all Styles,—Cheap. Also, Collar and Cuff Buttons, Shirt Studs, &c., at SAVAGES.

At the Quarter Sessions held lately at Walkerton, Judge Kingsmill sentenced a German girl to 3 months' imprisonment for "concealment of birth."

COLONIES.—The ladies of the county of Ontario intend presenting the 34th Battalion with a stand of colours on Dominion Day. Whitby alone subscribed \$140 for the purpose.

A woman in Stratford had her arm almost torn to pieces on Friday week by her clothes being caught in a picker in a flax mill, where she was employed.

The Galt Reporter says that 19 lbs. of wool were sold in that market a day or two ago, the produce of two ewe lambs, which had been presented by a friend to a son of the Rev. Mr. Acheson. There were but few lambs have such fleeces.

NEW PEAS.—The editor of one of our contemporaries has been treated to a dish of full grown green peas. This is rapid vegetation certainly.

According to the Milton Champion a gentleman in that neighborhood commenced to cut his clover last Thursday. The stock is 18 inches long, and some of the crop was lodged.

At the late Quarter Sessions for the County of Halton the Grand Jury recommended a grant of \$100 to Chief Constable Burger, for his clever capture of Smith alias Bottomley, the thief and counterfeiter. The recommendation will be laid before the County Council.

SIGHT RESTORED.—The Galt Reporter says: We learn with much pleasure that Mr. H. K. Maitland, the eminent oculist, of Galt, who has been suffering from partial blindness for many years past, has been operated upon by a celebrated oculist in New York, and that telegrams and letters have since been received by his friends in Galt giving most gratifying accounts of the success of the operation.

ACCOMMODATION FOR THE BATTALION—Elora has offered to accommodate the Battalion during the time they have been ordered out for drill, for 25c per day each man. A telegram to that effect was received from the Reeve of that village this morning. But our Town Council have taken the matter in hand, and will have provision made for their accommodation by Wednesday.

WANTED A PUFF.—An M. D. settled in MAINDORA, and a woman died in consequence of a tremendously large tumour the Doctor cut it off; whereupon a friend of the medico craves a corner in the Belleville Intelligence to tell with what coolness and judgment the operation was performed on the dead subject, and what a host of admirers his cleverness has procured him. To be sure. These are not the days that a discerning public allows genius to starve in a garret.

NEW MASONIC LODGE.—A Masonic Lodge has been lately organized in Elora called "Irvine Lodge," and was last night (Friday), formally opened for the business pertaining to the "mystic tie." The following are the officers: Bro. A. B. Petrie, W.M.; Bro. R. C. Newman, S.W.; Bro. Thos. McKay, J.W.; Bro. John Smith, Treasurer; Bro. J. M. Ross, Secretary; Bro. John Taylor, S.D.; Bro. John Whelan, J. D.; Bro. W. G. McElroy, I.G.; Bro. Hugh McLaughlan, Tyler. A number of the brethren of Speed Lodge, Guelph, paid a visit to the "Village of the Falls," in order to give a helping hand in rearing the Masonic superstructure. After the Lodge had been closed, the brethren adjourned to Mr. Dalby's, where a most sumptuous repast had been provided by the members of Irvine Lodge for their guests. The spread did credit to the members of the fraternity in that village, as well as to "mine host" of the "Dalby House." After the cloth had been removed, the usual loyal and Masonic toasts were proposed and suitably responded to. Fraternal greetings, songs and speeches, filled up the evening's entertainment, and it was not till long after the "wee sma' hours ayont the twal" that the Junior Warden gave the toast, "happy to meet, sorry to part, and happy to meet again." From a glance at the members who compose Irvine Lodge, as well as the locality in which it is situated it is believed that this Lodge will not be second to any in the 'Canadian Register.' Certainly the opening ceremony augurs well for the future prosperity of "Irvine Lodge."

## Destructive Fire To-Day

THREE HOUSES AND A LOT OF SHEDS BURNED.

The Fire Spreads from Douglas to Quebec Street.

A very destructive fire broke out this forenoon on Douglas street. Dense volumes of smoke were seen issuing from Hoover's Livery Stables, in rear of his dwelling house, about 11 o'clock. The alarm was at once given, and hundreds flocked to the scene of the fire. Meantime the stables and sheds being of wood, the fire spread rapidly, and in a short time communicated with the house in front, and with Coffee's stables and sheds, in the rear of his hotel. The horses, buggies, waggons, &c., in these sheds, were got out as quickly as possible. Still the devouring element kept spreading and extending. Hundreds of willing hands were now engaged getting out the furniture and other effects in Coffee's Hotel and Hoover's house, which is of wood, as also the paint shop of D. Gouck, which stood between the two. From this the fire communicated to the adjoining shop, tenanted by Thos. Breadon, painter, and in the upper flat of which H. Medcalf, the saddler, had a quantity of saddlery and other harness stock stowed away.

As soon as the alarm was given the firemen were early at their posts. The steam fire engine was run down to Mr. Allan's dam, and the hose, 1500 feet in length, run up to the scene of the fire. In twenty minutes sufficient steam was up to force the water that distance, and a strong stream of water began to play on the burning mass. The firemen, under the direction of their chief, Mr. J. Davidson, worked manfully and well, and they were greatly aided by the many volunteers who came forward to assist them. Before the water began to play all the furniture was got out of Coffee's Hotel, though much of it is in rather a damaged condition. The wooden buildings adjoining being now beyond all chance of saving, the efforts of the firemen were directed to the Hotel, which is of stone. Several times the fire had got inside the house, but was soon extinguished before much harm was done.

By this time the paint shop was one mass of flames, as also some sheds in the rear. The cottage next to it, occupied by Mr. John Mitchell, stood in great danger, and efforts were at once directed to save it. A lot of blankets were procured, several men got on the roof, and manfully remained there, throwing water on the roof, though they had to wrap themselves in blankets to ward off the intense heat to which they were subjected. The furniture was removed, and happily through the exertions of those who stood at their post, the building was saved. Mr. Guthrie's office was in considerable danger for some time from its proximity to the burning shed in the rear. All the furniture, books, paper &c., had been removed. The sashes of the rear windows were once or twice in flames, but a little water kept the fire down till the shed had burned out, and all danger was over.

From Coffee's stables the fire soon spread to the house on Quebec-st., belonging to Mrs. James Tovell, and at present unoccupied. The efforts of the firemen were now directed to this quarter, and a heavy stream of water soon quenched the flames, and prevented them from spreading to R. Rutherford warehouse, in rear of his store. By this time the old fire engine had been got out, and being supplied with water from the tank at St. George's Church, it did good service in quenching the flames, which were still raging in the frame buildings on Douglas Street. Indeed, had it not been for this timely supply of water, it is hard to say how far the fire would have spread, for Brownlow's carpenter shop and the other frame buildings on the opposite side of the street were in great danger of catching fire from the intense heat. By twelve o'clock the fire had spent itself or been put out, but in one short hour it had done great damage. Had the fire spread to Mimmack's shop and the Post Office next door, the loss would have been much more serious. The mail matter in the Post Office was well taken care of however, as all letters and papers was put away into bags and carried to the Town Hall for safe keeping. Boul's Lumber Yard and Sheds in rear of the burning buildings were in great danger, but by constant watchfulness, the material, which is of a very ignitable character, was prevented from catching fire.

We can hardly speak as yet in definite terms with regard to the loss sustained. Coffee's Hotel, belonging to the Hefferman estate, is not much damaged. It is insured in the Wellington Mutual for \$1,200, and in the Phoenix for \$1,000.—The stables and sheds are completely burned. We have not been able to learn whether there was any insurance on Mrs. Tovell's house, but it is believed there is none. Hoover's house and the paint shops belonged to Mr. F. Maroon, and were insured for \$752 in the Wellington Mutual. They are a total loss. Hoover had no insurance on his furniture or stock. He lost 4 cutters, one sleigh, a lot of harness, buffalo robes, and 4 fine pigs. Mr. Coffee had his furniture insured in the Provincial for \$1,200, and \$200 on his stables in the Canada Western. The furniture is very much damaged. Mr. Medcalf and Mr. Breadon saved the most of their stock, but Mr. Gouck was not quite so fortunate, though a considerable portion of his stock was got out. Mr. Rutherford had a lot of goods removed out of the storehouse, but they sustained little or no damage.

The fire originated in Hoover's stable, but how is at present a mystery. When first seen the smoke was issuing from

umes from the door of the shed in which he keeps his buggies. This also caught fire in a few moments when it spread to the house.

There is but one opinion with regard to the Steam Fire Engine, that it is the best investment the Town ever made. After steam was got up, it threw a strong and steady stream as long as required. Had it not been for the steam fire engine, there is scarcely a doubt but the whole block from Rutherford's to Coffee's would have been gutted, and nearly all its valuable contents destroyed.

## Municipal Council.

The Municipal Council of Puslinch met in the Town Hall on Monday, the 15th of June; members all present. The Reeve in the Chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Jacob Kirker, Innkeeper, presented a letter from J. Watson Hall, relative to the former being fined for selling liquor without a licence; thereupon it was moved by Mr. McFarlane, seconded by Mr. Spruehan, that no action be taken on the communication of J. Watson Hall as the difficulty alluded to seems to have arisen from a misunderstanding between the clerk and Mr. Kirker, as to the mode of procuring his license. Carried. Moved by Mr. Gilchrist, seconded by Mr. Cassin, that Alfred Hardy be appointed pathmaster instead of Donald McKenzie who has left the Township. Carried. Mrs. Craster Johnston not having a dog in 1867, was refunded \$1 charged for the same. Moved by Mr. Spruehan, seconded by Mr. McFarlane, that a By-law be introduced for the purpose of detaching the north halves of Lots 6, 7 and 9, in the first concession, from school section No. 7, and adding said portion of said lots to school section No. 11; and also detaching the south quarter of Lot 2 (50 acres) into third concession from school section No. 12, and annexing the same to said school section No. 11. Carried. Moved by Mr. Spruehan, that the petition of Thomas Ellis praying to have lot No. 13 in the second concession attached to school section No. 11 be not entertained. Carried. Moved by Mr. McFarlane, seconded by Mr. Spruehan, that Messrs. Gilchrist, Spruehan and the Reeve be a Special Committee to examine into the merits of the several applications for aid to roads and bridges from parties living on the west side of the Brookroad and that said councillors do report the result of their examination at the next meeting of this Council. Carried. The council then adjourned until Wednesday the 24th of June.

R. T. JOHNSTON, Township Clerk.

## Gore Bank.

We have not, heretofore, thought it necessary or expedient to notice the various rumors that have been afloat in regard to the standing and credit of the Gore Bank, but it may now, perhaps, serve the interests of shareholders in the Bank, and allay whatever alarm and distrust may still exist in the public mind, if we refer to the subject under reliable information. During the panic that followed the announcement of the failure of the Commercial Bank, a drain was commenced upon the resources of the Gore Bank through the return of its notes for redemption and the withdrawal of deposits, which continued until noteholders and depositors became satisfied that there was no cause for doubting the stability of the Bank, or its ability to meet its engagements. Under the pressure of this unusual demand, the liabilities of the Bank have been greatly reduced. The persistent drain upon the Bank induced the Directors to apply to the Banks in Ontario for aid. A committee, consisting of several of the Cashiers of the Toronto Banks, was applied to to examine into the affairs of the Gore Bank. The report of these gentlemen was perfectly satisfactory, and the aid required was given at once. In connection with the long continued drain upon the Bank's resources which compelled it to contract its usual business, alarm naturally consequent upon the losses sustained by the holders of stock in the Bank of Upper Canada and the Commercial Bank has induced some of the Gore Bank shareholders to press their stock for sale upon a market at best slow to take up such investments, and although a small amount comparatively has been thus forced upon the market, the nominal quotations have fallen from week to week, until the effect has been greatly to injure the value of the property and cripple still further the ability of the Bank in pursuing its usual business. We think it well to caution the shareholders against making forced sales involving needless sacrifices of their stock, and we advise them to refer to the officers of the Bank for information before they decide to incur unnecessary loss. The Directors, who are all well known gentlemen of wealth and reputation, own the quarter of the capital stock of the Bank, and are not borrowers from the Bank. Losses, unavoidable under the most careful management, have been incurred, but there is no necessity for shareholders to force their stock upon the market at prices far below the actual value, and thus disturb the confidence of the public, and destroy the business ability of the Bank. We understand that it is not contemplated to wind up the Bank or to suspend its usual operations, and the Directors hope at the annual meeting in the beginning of August to show that they will be able to continue a business which will be profitable to the shareholders and advantageous to the business community.—Globe.

## GREEN PEAS.

A Machine for Shelling Green Peas, with which a child of nine or ten years of age can in a few minutes shell as many Green Peas as will serve twelve persons at dinner.

**JOHN HORSMAN,** Guelph.

## SIX STROKES.

On Wednesday last a man named John McGraw fell down insensible from six strokes, in Galt. His life was for some time despaired of, but it is now thought he may recover. A young man named Wm. Date, of Hamilton, died from the same cause on Thursday

## BY TELEGRAPH

Despatches to the Evening Mercury

## BY ATLANTIC CABLE.

London, June 19th.—In the House of Lords this evening, the Earl of Malmesbury, in some remarks on the Abyssinian expedition, suggested that the course of the unusual character of service performed by the troops, honors be paid to them upon their return from the scene of their exploits.

The Earl of Malmesbury, Lord of the Privy Seal, in reply, said that the Government had not yet considered the point. The Duke of Cambridge, commander-in-chief of the army, expressed the opinion that the award of unusual honors to the members of the Abyssinian expedition would be a bad precedent. The subject was then dropped.

## American Despatches

Philadelphia, June 19th.—The race between Hamill and O'Connell took place yesterday, distance 5 miles, and was won by the former in 27 sec. Coulter's oar broke.

Boston, June 19th.—The match for \$3000 a side between Weston and Topley commenced this noon. Topley completed his five miles a mile ahead of Weston, in hours twenty-three minutes and six seconds, thus winning the thousand dollars. The whole race is one hundred miles, and depending on the second 25 miles.

New York, June 20.—The Union from Bremen has arrived.

## Synod of the Canada Presbyterian Church.

MONTREAL, June 19th.—The report of the Committee to fix the salary of the Professor of Theology in Knox College, Rev. D. H. McVicar, was read. They unanimously recommended that he be allowed \$1000 per annum. The report was read and adopted. The Committee appointed by the Rev. Mr. McVicar to form him of the action of the Synod reported that they had done so, but the rev. gentleman was unable to give a definite answer until he could confer with some of his friends. The Synod moved that in the event of Mr. McVicar's not accepting the chair of Theology, the Board of Management of Knox College be empowered to take such steps as they may deem necessary to fill the office during the winter. Carried.

## From Ottawa.

The Fall Assizes will open on the 24 of September next. The trial will come off then.

The Daily News gives current report that Mr. J. G. Moylan, of Ottawa, is at Ottawa pressing the Government payment of a large bill for the Freeman campaign sheet, issued last general election.

Messrs. Chauveau and Dandridge Quebec Cabinet, have arrived to state their message here is to the government to proceed as rapidly as possible with the arbitration, as the Province may know what its assets are. Mr. Carling is mentioned as next to Mr. Howland in the Internal Revenue Bureau.

## A BAYONET CHARGE.

The St. Beacoon says: For some little time the guard of the volunteers has been at the Town Hall, as a protection to the armory. Just before six o'clock, on day morning, Private Daniel Eaton, his post and went across the street to visit John Wade being on sentry duty. Wade ordered him to retire, at first he refused. Wade started him in, and as he was making a dash for the guard room, Wade fired at him with his bayonet, causing two inches in depth. Eaton was under the care of Assistant-Surgeon son, of the 28th Battalion. Wade told, says the wound was inflicted accident, which it is to be hoped, case, and he had certainly forced to place the offender under arrest, charging him with the bayonet.

## FIRE IN NASSAGAWEYA.

The Ottawa says: On Saturday the 4th inst., a. m. during the great thunder storm saw mill of Henry Cargill, Esq., No. 18 3rd Con. Nassagaweya, was covered to be enveloped in a sheet of fire and in a short time was totally destroyed. It is supposed to have been caused by lightning, which it will be remembered was remarkably vivid that day. Some suspicion, based upon ill-ed threats, were entertained against individual in the neighbourhood, but this there is no clear proof. The mill, with the exception of the mill wheel and some other parts, is injured, and Mr. Cargill hopes the mill rebuilt in about six weeks. There was unfortunately no loss of life, and his loss is supposed to be \$2000.

## On Tuesday last a boy named

13 years of age, fell head-first into a well 26 feet deep, in the town of Dorchester. His father, who was at the bottom, saw him coming, and catching around the shoelaces, his brains being dashed out, he fell below. His legs, however, were not broken, but he is now recovering.

## SUN STROKES.

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