indication that the premier is gracefully yielding—when he can't help it—to the pressure from without, and is schooling his Tory colleagues to some purpose. It may be a bitter enough pill for them to swallow, but politicians of that stripe will nowaday accede to anything—accept anything—rather than give up office.—The Patent Combination is following out—on a small scale—the example of the Disraeli Government, who rather than forego the sweets of office will submit to have any measures forced on them, and then educate their followers to that point when they will pass them without even so much as making wry faces over it. We congratulate Mr. Macdonald on the success he has achieved in educating his Tory friends up to the proper standard. It is unnocessary for us to give in detail the various reforms suggested in the Speech. If they are not so comprehensive or go so far as were thinted at a few days ago in the Government organs, they are still a great step in the right direction. The election law if amended properly, will contain all the improvements so long advocated and sought for by Reformers. In recommending amendments to the Mining and Free Grant Bills, passed last Session, the Ministry have made an honest confession that they came far short of the grequirements of the country, and that the promise in the Speech will be an earnest of the intention of the Government to deal with these questions in a liberal spirit.

The Speech also contains promises to reduce the expenses connected with the administration of justice without decreasing its efficiency. Such reforms are very necessary, but until we have these changes laid before us in detail, we cannot form an opinion in regard to their merits. On the whole we ought to be thankful for what is promised, even though the recommendations are stolen body and bones from the Reformers.

THE CENTRE RIDING.

We are in receipt of several communications from prominent electors in the Centre Riding, some recommending one person as a candidate, some another, and all enjoining unity of action on the part of Reformers. We wish this to serve as a reply to all these correspondents, and to say that we deem it more prudent at the present juncture not to publish any of the leters, as we understand that the proper steps will be taken at an early day to bring out a candidate who will be acceptable to the Reformers in every section of the Riding. As to the desire for unity of action, our fervent hope and belief is that such a desirable object—desirable at any time, but more especially at present—will be readily We are in receipt of several commu secured, at any time, but more especially at present—will be readily secured, and that whatever action is agreed upon will meet with the cordial sanction and approval of every Reformer in the Riding.

The Presidential Election.

As will be seen by the returns in another column, Grant and Colfax's election in the States has been secured by a very large majority. That this would be the result was a foregone conclusion some weeks ago. The returns are nothing like complete yet, but they are sufficient to rhow that the Republicans have made immense gains in some States. It is pretty certain that the Democrats have carried York State and New Jersey, though the vote in the latter is still very undecided. With these two exceptions all the other northern States, the central and most of the western States, have gone strength Republicans. have gone strongly Republican.

GUELPH TOWNSHIP.—Notices have been issued for the election of a Deputy Reeve for this Township, in room of the late Robt -Campbell, Esq., as required by statute. The electors are called to meet at the school house near Blyth's Hotel, on Thursday first, the 5th, at 12 o'clock, and in case more than one candidate is proposed, the poll will be opened on the following day at 9 a. m.

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Morie Sales of Stock.— Mr. James Anderson, Puslinch, shipped this morning five of his splendid Southdown ewes, and the aged ram which took the first prize at the Provincial Show, to Mr. Erkskine Irvine, near Newmarket. They were sold at prices remunerative to Mr. Anderson.

ERAMOSA PLOUGHING MATCH.—An error occurred in the prize list of this match. The first prize in the second class was a McInnes plough, presented by the maker, and awarded to Benj. Tolvo, in last week's paper was erroneously given to Watson Day, who took the 2nd prize.

MERCHANGE OUR proved of weeklijks

Mis-sent.— Our parcel of weeklirs for Nassagaweya was last week missent to Eramosa. This will explain to our subscribers there the cause of the delay in the delivery of the paper.

FIRE NEAR HILLSBURG.—We regret to learn that the dwelling house of Mr. Dugald Thomson, was burned down on Wednesday night the 28th ult. They had been making soap during the day and the fire someway communicated to the flooring from whence it spread to the house, and to a small building adjoining. With the help of the neighbours nearly all the furniture was got out, but a number of tools, furnace, and weaving apparatus were barned. The loss is estimated at \$500. No insurance. Fortunate Jy Mr. Thomson has a brick house nearly ready for occupation, the fire therefore will not be of so much inconvenience to the family.

November Fair.

The Governor's Speech.

The Speech from the Throne this year has the merit of recommending several measures of an important character, which if adopted cannot but be of the utmost benefit to the Province. In suggesting these measures, the reader will not fail to notice that the Patent Combination has taken more than one leaf out of the Reform programme, for almost every change recommended has been urged by Reformers time and again. We gladly accept the bill of fare; however, even though it is a stolen one, for it is an indication that the premier is gracefully yielding—when he can't help it—to the pressure from without, and is schooling his Tory colleagues to some purpose. It may be a bitter enough pill for them to swallow, but politicians of that stripe will now-aday accede to anything—accept anything—rather than give up office.—The Patent Combination is following out—on a small scale—the example of the Disraeli Government, who rather than forego the sweets of office will submit to have any mensures forced on them, and then educate their following and them, and then educate their following and them are the submit to have any mensures forced on them, and then educate their following and them are the submit to have any mensures forced on them, and then educate their following and them are the submit to have any mensures forced on them, and then educate their following the submit to have any mensures forced on them, and then educate their following the submit to have any mensures forced on them, and then educate their following the submit to have any mensures forced on them, and then educate their following the submit to have any mensures forced on them, and then educate their following the submit to have any mensures forced on them, and then educate their following the submit to have any mensures forced on them, and then educate their following the submit to have any mensures forced on them, and then educate their following the submit to have any mensures forced on them, and then educate their following the subm

PUSLINCH PLOUGHING MATCH.—The Puslinch ploughing match will come off on Wednesday, the 11th, on the farm of Mr. Robt. Beattie, lot 15, 9th con., when five prizes will be offered in each classe, the prizes in first and second classes to range from \$5 to \$1. and in the boys' class from \$4 to 50c. For particulars as to entry, &c., see bills

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ENTERPRISE.—We mention as another instance of the enterprise of the Mercury that the Governor's Speech at the opening of the Legislature, which was delivered at three o'clock, was in type and published in Tuesday's evening edition and sold on the street thirty minutes after His Excellency read it.—The Mercury was the only paper in town which had it. The Advertiser may copy this paragraph, and charge it to us as an advertisement.

Galt Monthly Fair will be held on

Galt Monthly Fair will be held on Wednesday next. WELLINGTON HUNT .- The Hounds will meet on the Market Square on Thursday

THE HORSE.—Mr. W. H. Grifflin, the great Horseman is in this town arranging for a series of Lectures on the nature and management of the horse.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

Books, Books, &c., &c.—Mr Thornton offers great bargains in books &c., at Shewan's old stand, the store lately occupied by W. J. McCurry. A large collection of books, embracing the works of many of our best authors, having been added to the original stock. A rare opportunity to purchase good books at low prices is presented. We advise our readers to give him a call.

WALLPAPER, WALLPAPER.—The comforts of dwelling houses are increased, and their appearance improved by the use of choice patterns of wall-paper. The more charming our homes are made in appearance and arrangements, the greater the pleasure of domestic life. In relation to the above we invite the attention of our readers to the great sale of Wallpaper &c., now going on at Shewan's old stand, where our friend Thornton is daily selling wallpaper in large quantities at tremendously low prices. Give him a call.

New Advertisements.

STRAYED PIG.

CAME on the premises of the subscriber, some time ago, a black log. The owner on proving property and paving expenses can take it was JOHN MCORKINDALE, Jr., Guelph, Nov. 4. w3 Paisley Block.

Curling and Skating Rink.

A MEETING of the Curlers and Skaters will be held in the Town Hall, on the evening of THURSDAY, the 5th inst., for the election of Managers and the transaction of other business. CHARLES DAVIDSON, Secretar

First Prize Boar

The splendid large-sized Berkshire Boar be longing to the undersigned, which took the First Prize at the late South Riding Fall Show will serve sows for the season. Terms, \$1, cash

YOUNG BOAR FOR SALE. For sale a boar, dro ped on the 1st of Apr.l-ame breed. · ALLAN SIMPSON.

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Wholesale and Retail.

GENTS' DRESS BALMORALS, GENTS' FELT GAITERS

GENTS' FELT OVERSHOES, LADIES' WALKING BOOTS,

LADIES' FELT CONGRESS & Balmords LADIES' FELT OVERSHOES,

Misses' and Children's Shoes of all kinds, Also, a large stock of Boots and Shoes made by HAND, for Fall and Winter wear, very Cheap for CASH only. Trade supplied at Montreal Prices.

JOHN MCNEIL. Montreal Boot and Shoe Store, Wyndham-S

Piano For Sale

AT AUCTION.

BELL, WOOD & CO., wishing to retire from the Plano bashises, now offer by auction the only one on hand—away to meet the plano bashises, now offer by auction the only one on hand—away to meet, manufactured by the celebrated. Unought ano Forte Company of New York, whose instruments are considered by Philip Philip pailings, and other well-known dealers and musiciants to be in every respect equal and in some respects superior to those of Steinway and Chickering.

This instrument is elegantly finished, having carved legs, serpentine moulding, four round corners and finished behind the same as in front—Retail price, 4850. It will be started at an upset price of \$225. The sale will take place in the

TOWN HALL. ON SATURDAY NEXT, NOV. 7th.

Terms—One-fourth of the purchase money down and the balance in approved notes at three and six months, or a liberal discount for cash in ful! Six months, or a niberal discount for cash in full.

W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioner.

Guelph, 4th Nov.

Guelph, October 31st.

Mew Advertisements.

A COOD INVESTMENT!

PATENT Victoria Steam Washer.

A N entirely new invention, never before intro-duced. A good investment for a pushing man. Only a small capital needed to secure the entire control of this valuable patent on a Roy-alty, for Guelph and vicinity. The Boiler can be seen and full partitioned by calling

At Coulson's Hotel, Guelph.

FURS, FURS



EXTRA DARK MINK
ROYAL ERMINE
SIBERIAN SQUIRREL
RIVER MINK
LADIES' HOODS

And a full assortment of CHILDREN'S FURS, GENT'S MUFFLERS and GLOVES, SLEIGH ROBES, &c.

The highest price paid for Raw Furs. F. CARLAND.

Still on the War Path

THE subscriber begs to inform his old friends and the public that he is still hale and hearty, and as able as ever to attend to all orders that may be left with him at the well known old stand

ON CORK STREET.

Opposite Deady's Hotel, Where he is prepared, as formerly to make up

CLOTHING

TO FARMERS.

Having had 30 years experience, and devoti all his time to the business, he can make **Home-made Cloth** and trim it chear than can be done at any other establishment

Guelph, 2nd Nov.

Estray Cow and Calf.

CAME on the premises of the subscriber, York Road, at the Rifle Range, about two months ago, a cow and calf. The owner on proving pro-perty and paying expenses can take her away.

EUREKA!

Money Saved is Money Gained County Right for Sale.

SAVE YOUR MONEY by purchasing at the GREAT CLOSING SALE of

MISCELLANEOUS & SCHOOL BOOKS,

STATIONERY

WALL PAPERS

Wyndham Street, Guelph.

Goods are being sold at wonderfully Low Prices Joods are being sood at wonderfully Low Prices.
The subscriber has just returned to town with large assortment of NEW BOOKS, purchased at Auction, and other cheap sources, which he will sell at low prices. Every person is respectfully equivalent to a land examine the stock. Trouble more a considered, as long as cusomers are accommodated and satisfied. These sales afford a good opportunity to purhase reading for Winter, at low prices.

GREATPOWERS

PREST & HEPBURN

the leather war now going on between the opponents on the south side of Wyndham-st

BOOTS AND SHOES

And employ double the number of Workone. A carry other establishment in the County of Welling ton. We invite the public to call and look through our Factory, and they will be convined that we are telling the truth, and nothing but the truth. A great deal has been said for and against machine made Boots and Shoes. Now we believe, and we are confident that every well-balanced mind in Wellington will agree with us. that the less machinery used in minufacturing Boots and Shoes chierer is seen in minufacturing Boots and Shoes inact by hand, which must be admitted is far superior to any machine made Goods. We have now on isand the largest and best assortment of Boots and Shoes ever offered to the people of Wellington, which we will sell as cheap as the cheapest. Remember that all our work is warrantic, and no second price. Repairs done as usual.

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FRESH ARRIVALS.

50 dozen Corn Brooms.

12 " Fancy Corn Whisks

20 " Spruce Pails. 5 " Stable Pails. 12 " Toy Pails.

10 Cases Telegraph Matches. 5 Cases Parlor Matches. 12 dozen Butter Spoons, Cards, &c.

JOHN A. WOOD'S,

House and Lot for Sale.

OLTON, Gulph Street, Mitchell's Hill,
Gulph, being Lot 28; in Division A, containag one-fifth of an ac e. House is built of stone,
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and contains four comfortable rooms, besides a
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eith inished and in good condition. Lot is well
enced and planted with choice fruit trees, &c.—
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Estate of the late Jas. Lindsay

LL PARTIES having claims against the Estate to of James Lindsay, late of the Town of zelph, Hotel keeper, are requested to hand them at once to the undersigned. Executors, for adstinct, and all parties indebted to the estate e re "ired to make immediate payment. ARCH. MCCORKINDALE, WILLIAM C. BAINE. Executors daw 2w.

Guelph, Oct. 27.
Advertiser to copy.

Wrapping Paper for Sale. POR SALE at the EVENING MERCURY Office, a large lot of old Newspapers, in good condition for wrapping paper. Apply at the office. Greiph, October 23.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS.

A LL parties indebted to the undersigned will please take notice to call and settle their accounts at once, and save further trouble.

JOHN TYSON, Butcher, Guelph, 29th Oct.

d6 Bagot Street.

LAMPS,

JUST OPENED OUT AT

PETRIE'S DRUG STORE

Old Post Office Building, Wyndham-St.

rge!Assortment of COAL OIL LAMPS, all sizes and kinds, will be sold CHEAP.

No. 1 COAL OIL. A supply of No. 1 COAL OIL KEPT CONTANTLY ON HAND,

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ME Undersigned having purchased the Sp. vale Mills from Mr. James Goldie, will also

peedvale Mills, Oct. 14.

THE Subscriber having purchased the right of does away with the use of Glasses with perfect safety, whereby the great saving of glasses for street and pariour lamps, and other places is effected, an active man can make \$4 a day by selling the Burner. All parties selling without my consent will be prosecuted.

Guelph, October 24th., Anglo-Marrican Hotel.

and FANCY GOODS, RUTHERFORD HOUSE

Shewan's Old Stand DRY GOODS ME COST PRICES,

And under cost prices, as the whole stock must SOLD WITHOUT RESERVE before the

First of January,

As I am going out of that branch of the business and would particularly invite all to come and get a share of the GREAT BARGAINS, as they will get As much forlalDollar as they can

get elsewhere for a Dollar and a Half. intend to carry on that part of the business.

LIQUORS of the very best Quality of a ginds for Tavern-keepers.

Some very Cheap CROCKERY arrived.

Robert Rutherford. Guelph, September 19th. dwy

18 FALL IMPORTATIONS. 68

Wools, FANCY GOODS TOYS, &c.

UST Arrived, an Immense Stock of Berlin, Zephyr, Saxony, Andalusian, Lady-Betty, and ney Wools. English, Scotch and American

FINGERING YARNS A Splendid assortment of Braids, Frillings Ruffles, and General Fancy Goods. A great variety of Slippers and Slipper Patterns Ottomans, &c.

JET and RUBBER GOODS. Juvenile Clothing always on hand and made

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sorsin Guelph to T rotter.

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Observe, you lose money if you do not get your Boots and Shoes from John A. McMillan, Bouker for the million, Gueloh, Fergus and Elora.

J. A. McMILLAN, Proprietor.

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PREMIUM FOR BILLS.

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Which we have now to hand, and we beg to assure them that we can and will sell as cheap, if not heaper, either wholesale or Retail, than parties who pretend more largely. Our TEAS Consisting of:

Hysons, Gunpowder, Congous and Japans, will be sold at such prices that will clear them out rapidly our determination being to make small profits and quick returns. Our Fruits consists of: NEW LONDAY LAYERS,

NEW CURRANTS,

NEW VALENCIA RAISINS. NEW FIGS, Cases LEMONS. Hotel-keepers will find it to their advantage to give us a call before purchasing elsewhere, as we are determined to put down the wholesale price of Brandies, Rums, Gins and Cased Houors.

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New Sicilan Cloths, New Henrietta Cloths, New Empress Cloths,

New Say Cloths,

French Cobourgs, French Lustres, Silk warp French Delaines,

BRITTANIA HOUSE,

Paramattas Crape Cloths, Baratheas, &c., Grout & Co's Superior Silk Crapes. SILVER taken at PAR.



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I T IS certainly marvellous that any community should be so excited over the great success that would be so excited over the great success that would be so excited over the great success that would be very excellent novel and any tarnial classics in all of the contractions of the

Fancy and Staple Dry Goods & Millinery,

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Buffalo Skins, Grain Bags, &c. Indeed everything in the Mercantile line usually kept in a first-class establishment. That MR HOGG'S efforts have been crowned with unprecedented success is beyond a doubt. The great Bargains that he is daily giving causes his immense establishment to be crowded from early norming until hight. His stock to select from is co large and varied that parties get suited without loss of time, let their taste be ever so difficult; and in addition, by being able to import all of his goods direct from the Manufactures, to offer a saving of 12½ per cent (12½ cents on every dollars) over any establishment in Town.

All classes and descriptions of Clothing made to order by a first-class cutter, and sent free of charge o any part of Canada.

Guelph, October 31st, 1868.

Guelph, 24th Ocotber 1868

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