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Evening Mercury.

TUESDAY EV'NG, MARCH 9, 1869.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

Two cousins in Indiana married some seven or eight years ago, and have six idiot children.

The Highlanders are not to be stationed in Toronto. Two companies of Royal Canadian Rifles will constitute the whole infantry force of that garrison next summer.

The bullet that killed Nelson, at Trafalgar, is in the possession of Queen Victoria. It is set in precious stones, and enclosed in a golden case shaped like a walnut.

Faint heart never won fair lady. A plucky Colorado miner writes as follows to his lady-love at Washington: "Seven years is rather long to wait a gal, but life have you yet, Cate, you bet."

A Southern editor is bitterly opposed to the education of women as surgeons. Suppose, he says, a gentleman were put under the influence of chloroform by such a doctor, what is to prevent the woman from kissing him?

It is currently reported, with every evidence of truth, that the Missionary Society of the Wesleyan Methodist Church loses about \$1,500 by the exit of Mr. W. R. Brown, and the collapse of the so-called saving institution known as Brown's Bank.

The Toronto Freeman of Friday last contains a "pastoral" by Bishop Lynch, on "matrimony." His Lordship warns his people against the attempts made to place it on a level with civil contracts, and declares that no Christian legislature can conscientiously aid in framing a law of divorce in a Christian community.

A woman named Mary O'Brien was charged by Sub-Constable Sloney with being drunk and disorderly in York st., Belfast, on the 30th January, and also with using party expressions, to the effect that the Devil was an Orangeman. She was sentenced to pay a fine of 40s and costs, or in default, to fourteen days imprisonment.

The remarks made by the Archbishop of Canterbury on the day of his enthronement may be accepted as an indication of his determination to recognize that broad Church which must necessarily spring from the freedom and intelligence of the 19th century, and as an assurance that he will not devote his time and attention to the adornment of altar cloths or priestly vestments.

King William of Prussia opened the North German Parliament on the 4th with the usual ceremonies. The speech from the Throne breathed only sentiments of peace with neighboring nations. The King also congratulated the Parliament upon the fact that all the Powers of Europe were especially anxious that peace should reign supreme over all peoples and nations.

The Montreal News says that Mr. Whitaker, who only numbered twenty-two summers, was confessedly the handsomest young man in the garrison, and to many young men was linked an exquisite grace of manner which rendered him, unfortunately, irresistibly fascinating. He was dangerously beautiful and attractive. Such was the being who, with all the frailties of weak human nature which he had not the moral courage to struggle against was suddenly struck down.

NARROW ESCAPE.—On Thursday week, on the 16th June, as Mr. Frank Bins, and a son of Mr. Hagarty's were chopping wood in the bush, they felled a tree, and in trying to get out of its way, were caught in the deep snow. Down came the tree, crushing Bins into the snow, young Hagarty escaping with a slight scratch on his forehead. After Bins was rescued from his perilous position, it was found that though he was severely bruised, fortunately no bones were broken.

PURCHASE OF THE MOUNT OF OLIVES.—The Mount of Olives, which thousands of Crusaders spilt their blood in vain to conquer, has been rescued from the Moslem by the Princess De La Tour d'Auvergne, a lady of one of the four principal families in France, whose piety has induced her to undertake in the Holy Land, for the good of the church, a series of architectural works. The princess is erecting at Jerusalem a Campo Santo, or cemetery, to be called the "Patet Noster," all around the walls of which will be inscribed in letters fifteen centimetres long, our Lord's prayer on plates of brass, and in all known languages. The princess is also given a sum of money to maintain a priest for the special service of this cemetery, which will be completed in May next, and taken possession of by the French consul, in the name of France. The casual reader will observe that there are other things in France besides opera bouffe and the "Can can."

BAIGRIS'S VISION.—The New York Tribune, in an article on the inauguration of President Grant concludes with throwing a sop to the national vanity of its readers:—"This century has known two conquerors. One triumphed at Austerlitz, and left his glory glorious, but with the mournful glory of aggressive war. It was merely a name and Frederick's splendid mould of the editor's nose, and faith he give it justis enuff, fur the you don't believe me praps but the tumbler of clarie the editor drank tin minutes afore came flyin and spurtin in the magistrat's face. "Yere bind be upon me and my childer," sez the justice and devil a lie int, fur its to be seen on his cote to this day. "Yis," sez the editor, "I've been jukin fur justice frum ye for this last year and a half." I've done spakin now, yer honor, and therefore I'll say no more.

The Toronto police made a raid on the bakers shops there on Friday, and seized a hundred and thirty-five loaves of light bread. It was distributed among the charitable institutions of the city.

Elora Correspondence.

As I no ye want to collek all the nuzze ye can for the paple, altho God noes they have enuff those times to laht em time out o' mind and a weak after, for the sake o' ould akwhaintance, howsumdever, I'll thry to give ye sum intherestin partiklers konsarnin this littel town. Littel did I sa, yer honor! arrah, bad cess to my larnin that didn't no better nor that, for shure its a place wid big ixpiktashuns and mitey pretinshuns intirely, and in throth ye shnell the pride of it whin yer a mile away. Well, as I was goin to till ye, last Saturday, whin I was shuokin mi dhudheen lanin agin a posht in frunt of a shu shop like a decent onest man, (and bedad so wos me father before me) admirin all the waterfalls in the street and the butces of mankind in general, and be the same token, Judy, the only wife I have in the world and the muther of fore 2 year old boys and a fok of gees in the bargin, she wos ristin er bones on an empty wash-tab what shud on its side outside a big shote, and thrying to kape er ballece, for she lukked to me to be very oneasy intirely, by reason she wos afeerd she wud git upset aff the tub and make a public exposure of the poor wumman, let alone sum iggs she kep' since last summer, an had tide up in Peggy Flaherty's nite cap fur to sell whin we came into town. Well, as I tould ye afore, I wos lanin agin the posht, an be jabers whot d'ye think I sez cum tumbulin down a big fitte o' shures close be the shu shop, but a man wide 4 parvo ize, ay in sure an two of em was made o' glass, so they war, an faix he wos a decent lookin man too, sir, so he was, an indade I thaut it a pittee for the poor craythur, becase I bleaved furst that he mist his fut and fell hed foremost down shures akkordin to the laus o' gravity, thaut that yer honor noes wos past hundreths a yeers ago. So as I wos goin to tell ye I went up to the poor man to thry to help him out o' his misfortein, but lo an behold ye a lot of yang spalpiens came up at the time and made fun o' me gud intinshuns, and be the same token one of em sez to me let im go out into the shreet itself and don't be medlin wid the gentileman, fur whin he came to his sines he'll take the law o' ye. By gor, sez I, that's not like a cristshun.

Here, boys, let's giv him a lift, sez I, but be this an be that afore the ward wos out o' me mouth he up as frish as a dazzy and aff he went into the public shreet, an when he got that fur, bad luck to me aff he didn't go rite aff his fate onto the braud of his back, an 'thin the boys all started to laff. Blood an' ounces, sez I, the man must be hurt, fur in throth he looked to be in grate pane. No, no, Denis, sez they, yere rong intirely—he's not in pane, but there's pane in him. Whot d'ye mane, sez I? Whi, sez they, we mane shampagne! Oh, by gor, I suppose ye mane he's drunk, sez I, fur that's the pane English. Yis, sez they, ye hit it now, Denny. An' whos is he, sez I, if I can make bould enuff to ax? He's a lawyer, sez they. Whisht, sez I, none o' yer thricks on thravelers; he's nothin of the soort. Ye lie, sez they, he is, an' his brother chips up there, sez they—pointin to a dirty lookin windo over the shu shop—"thrat him too freely." Well, my dear, you'd a pittied im, fur he ladere there on the shreet twistin himself like a hen on a hot griddle and houldin his hand upon his bouls—savin yer priseness—to axe his pane. So at last a decent lookin wumman came runnin wid a hot smuthin iron out of the tavira, by direkshuns of the landlord, fur to be put on the lawyer's painful parts—in throth there isn't a wurd of lie in it, shure its thuth I'm tellin ye. So me and me ould wumman wos just thinkin of lavin the town, and bedad whin Peggy got up aff the tub and shook herself to drive away a cramp in her stummick, whot d'ye think, sir, I saw thin? Well, by gor it wos nuthin less than a fight atween tin gentlemen of standin, barrin they wern't standin thin, but kisin atche other on the flat o' their backs on the sidewalk, and shure one of 'em wos an editor, and t'other a proctektor of the pace, an' the first wurd the editor sez wos as plane as English could make it—God help us but we don't lern our prares laff so well, so we don't—the first wurd he sed wos, "Yere a lie," sez he. "I'm not," sez the magistrat; "ye are," sez the editor, "thin yere anut'her," sez the pace man; so by St. Patrick wid that ye noe the editor made a thrive at the magistrat, bull fashun, ye understand, tryin to toss the poor man into eterneite. Howsumdever, the justis got hould of the editor's nose, and faith he geve it justis enuff, fur the you don't believe me praps but the tumbler of clarie the editor drank tin minutes afore came flyin and spurtin in the magistrat's face. "Yere bind be upon me and my childer," sez the justice and devil a lie int, fur its to be seen on his cote to this day. "Yis," sez the editor, "I've been jukin fur justice frum ye for this last year and a half." I've done spakin now, yer honor, and therefore I'll say no more.

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Parish Council.

The Municipal Council met on Thursday, the 25th of January, in the Town Hall. Members all present—the Reeve, in the chair. The minutes of last session were read and confirmed. Moved by Mr. Spreuhau, seconded by Mr. Gilchrist, that the following parties be granted certificates for a license for the current year, viz: Fredk. Bigarreau, Robert Fleming, Jacob Kerracher, Bayne Johnston, Frederick Kent, Wm. Hewer, Wm. McGlue, Catharine Merlihan, and Geo. Barber. Carried. Moved by Mr. Gilchrist, seconded by Mr. Stewart, that the following parties be granted certificates for the current year, viz: James B. Mitchell, and Wm. Perry. Carried. Moved by Mr. Spreuhau, seconded by Mr. Gilchrist, that the report of the committee appointed to examine the claims made by Louisa Wakefield, be adopted, and that she be paid the sum of \$25 for the said piece of land; and that the Reeve give his order on the Treasurer for the same. Carried. Moved by Mr. Nicoll, seconded by Mr. Stewart, that all printing in connection with the sheep fund for the years 1868 and 1869, be charged to said fund, and that the Clerk give the Treasurer a copy of this motion. Carried. Moved by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Nicoll, that the following parties be granted certificates of license for the current year, viz: Mary Hamilton, Ann Barns, Edward Tyrrell, and Thos. Merlihan. Carried. Moved by Mr. Gilchrist, seconded by Mr. Spreuhau, that Mr. Thos. Arkell be paid \$2.25 for planks and spikes, and \$1 for his services—amounting in all to \$3.25—for repairing a bridge on the town line between Guelph and Puslinch; and the Reeve give his order for the same. Carried. Moved by Mr. Nicoll, seconded by Mr. Stewart, that the matter of Jacob Kerracher having been disposed of by a previous Council, we do not deem it advisable to take any action on it. Carried. Moved by Mr. Nicoll, seconded by Mr. Stewart, that Messrs. Spreuhau, Gilchrist, and Stewart be a committee to examine into the petition of Jas. Hagg and others, praying for a road allowance across lot No. 6, on the 2nd con. and also that he be authorized to let a contract of a bridge across a pond between lots 15 and 16, in the 3rd con. Carried. Moved by Mr. Spreuhau, seconded by Mr. Stewart, that a By-law to repeal By-laws Nos. 116 and 136, and to fix the amount to be paid by persons applying for a certificate for a shop license, be now read a first and second time. Carried. Moved by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Nicoll, that the By-law to repeal By-laws Nos. 116 and 136, of this Corporation, and to define the amount to be paid by persons applying for a certificate for a shop license, be read a third time and passed. Carried. The Court of Revision was fixed to be held on Monday, the 3rd day of May, and the Council to meet the same day, at two o'clock, p. m. R. T. JOHNSTON, Clerk.

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LOCAL ITEMS.

A Council meeting of the Board of Trade of the Town of Guelph, will be held in the Board Room this evening at half-past seven.

EXTRAORDINARY OCCURRENCE.—The family of Mr. Robert Dunbar, of Ermosa were somewhat startled on the night of Saturday last, upon one of the boys going down to the stable, after an absence of about two hours, and finding a circular hole about ten inches in diam eter gnawed through the door. It is supposed to have been a lynx which had taken refuge from Mr. Dunbar's dog, and then took the first opportunity of making its escape in the manner alluded to.

CHALLENGE.—Ten residents of the West Ward challenge ten residents of the other three Wards to a shooting match to come off on Monday, 15th of March, at two o'clock. Small bulls eye ranges, 200 and 300 yards, 5 shots at each range, any position. The parties from the West Ward are Messrs. Bruce, Heath, Walker, Deady, Taylor, Newton, Hazelton, Elliott, Strowger, and Hepburn; against Messrs. John Stewart, A. McKenzie, Sunley, Nichols, Hooper, Holiday, Inglis, Hadden, E. O'Connor and David McCrae.

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White and Grey Plaster.

TO THE EDITOR.
SIR.—In the February number of the CANADA PAPER you have an article on Plaster, of which the following is an extract:—"It is found in workable quantities in two localities in Ontario, namely, Paris and York, both situated on the banks of the Grand River. "The whitest plaster is the best, and to be pure it must be beautifully white and semi-transparent. "The dark colour of the York or Grey plaster is owing to its being impure. "The grey York plaster is the lowest in price, &c., &c." In the above you have made a mistake, which please correct in your next issue. The grey plaster comes from Paris, and the white plaster from York. We have no grey plaster in the York beds. At the International Exhibition, London, England, 1862, specimens were received from different parts of the world, and those from Canada were sent from the several plaster beds at the expense of the Geological Survey. There was only one first-class prize medal given for plaster on that occasion, and it was awarded to me.

ALEXANDER TAYLOR, Manufacturer and wholesale dealer in plaster, from his beds of pure white gypsum, York, Grand River, Ontario. Caledonia, Feb. 28, 1869. [The above plaster is for sale by John A. Wood, Alma Block.]

BY TELEGRAPH

PER ATLANTIC CABLE.

Despatches to the Evening Mercury

ROME, March 8.—The report of the death of the Pope is false.

LONDON, March 8. — In the House of Commons to-day Mr. Childers, First Lord of the Admiralty, announced that the government would be able to reduce the naval estimates by a million pounds.

MADRID, March 8.—At the session of the Constituent Cortes to-day, Generals Serrano and Prijo, both said that they were in favor of granting pardon to all persons condemned for violation of the laws regulating the public press.

American Despatches

New York, 9th.—The Herald's Havana special—says that a despatch from Cienfuegos announces that a vigorous campaign has been commenced by General Letona in that district.

The Trinidad Imperial says the insurrection in this country is increasing. Advice from the west state that the sugar crop this season will be full.

Cincinnati, 9th. — The resident Swiss Consul here denies the report of Switzerland transporting paupers, vagabonds and criminals to the United States.

Reply to Mr. McHenry.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE MERCURY.
DEAR SIR—Permit me, through the columns of your valuable paper, to reply to the very lengthy remarks indulged in by Mr. McHenry against your correspondent's sayings and doings. He that never changed any of his opinions, never corrected any of his mistakes, and he who was never wise enough to find out mistakes in himself, will not be charitable enough to excuse what he reckons mistakes in others. Correspondents, as a class, often tread upon dangerous and delicate ground when they attempt to portray faithfully, fairly and without malice, the many incidents of a public nature which occur within and around the circle of their knowledge; but separate from the delicacy of the duty, I would deprecate any intention on my part to injure any person or people; but at the same time I claim the privileges of a free press, wherein the public acts of all men are liable to criticism and comment. Therefore, your correspondent has only in the Normandy election law suit case but very imperfectly reported the average summary of the people's views and opinions (not my own); but it appears that in so doing, I have inadvertently trod on the tail of Mr. McHenry's coat, which draws out that individual with a report of all and sundry sayings and doings which have occurred in Normandy during the last quarter of a century. He commences by giving us a short history of the five kings and a small digest of British law, dwelling for a time upon the number of petitions he manufactured in the Township, then he gives your correspondent "particulars," pouring such a literary effusion upon my devoted pate, as no doubt he thinks will flatten me out completely, and prevent me in future taking any notice of what occurs in the model Township. But I notice that he grants audibly in the sunshine of a little dexterity and manfully shoulders the soft insinuation relating to his ambition. Well that all men

Job Printing of every description executed cheaply and promptly at the MERCURY Steam Printing House, Macdonnell Street, Guelph. An immense assortment of the latest and most chaste designs in plain and ornamental type has just been added to our previously large stock, rendering our establishment the most complete office in all its appointments to be found West of Toronto. Our charges are the lowest, and our work the best in the county.

The Repeal Movement in Nova Scotia.

The Nova Scotia journals, friendly to Mr. Howe, inform their readers that the contest in Hants county is progressing favourably for that gentleman. At a meeting recently held at Burlington, Messrs. Gouge, Troop, and Jones confronted him, but failed, we are told, to convince their hearers that he was wrong and they were right. Dr. Tupper, of Halifax, is laboring to secure the election of Mr. Howe as a matter of policy, although hitherto opposed to him, and others similarly situated are likewise working in his behalf, with a view to the leaves and fishes they may obtain, in the event of his election, from the Government at Ottawa. But the Halifax Unionist, however, continues bitterly hostile to him, ostensibly in the interest of the Union, and remarks:—"The Unionists who will embrace Mr. Howe in the present contest are not one whit better than he is; they are equally culpable with him—accessories after the fact—and the time will come when they will bitterly repent that they ever, by word or deed, lent themselves to so base a sacrifice of principle, because Dr. Tupper, or somebody else, deemed it expedient that Mr. Howe should be supported by Union men. We write from a purely independent standpoint—we write as Unionists! We can have no sympathy with Repealers—they can have none with us—we are not playing into their hands—God forbid! But, Electors of Hants, we prefer Mr. Gouge with his record—to Mr. Howe with his checkered page, with many a foul blot on it—and we unhesitatingly declare that, we believe it to be our duty to prevent by all legitimate means the return of Mr. Howe. Let him get his seat, 'get into power,' as he calls it, and who will dare to set bounds to his rapacity? If we support Mr. Howe, we thereby declare we have confidence in him. We cannot do that because we have no confidence in him—we never had. We cannot, therefore, belong to his party.—So long as Joseph Howe is abroad, the necessity will exist for a Union party, which will have a clearly defined policy—and that the Preservation of the Union."

At the last election in the county of Hants, when Mr. Howe ran at the head of the "party of punishment," he received 1530 votes, while Mr. King, his opponent, received only 956, the majority in favor of the former being, therefore, 574. The total number of votes in the County then amounted to 3070; whereas the total of votes actually polled was only 2486. Many Unionists remained at home out of personal regard to Mr. Howe, or because they disapproved of the way the Union had been effected. Such is the excitement attending the present struggle, however, that a more than usually full vote will doubtless be polled. The probable result is being actively canvassed, and opinions differ widely with regard to it. If we may judge by the representations of the Confederate and anti-Confederate party journals, the strong partisan spirit displayed by whom is to be deprecated. One of the former declares that "The election in Hants will be the life and death struggle of the Repeal party. If Mr. Howe succeeds in being re-elected, the party will have ceased to live. No gainsaying the assertion. It will be killed by its own leader; and the astonishing truth will come home to the minds of Nova Scotians that that erratic politician battled with what was assumed to be the unanimous popular sentiment, and came victorious out of the struggle."

Very True.

In remarking upon the recent tragedy at Quebec, the Montreal Witness makes the following statements, all of which are strictly correct. In a very brief period several cases of the most heinous profligacy and irreparable injury have been brought home to officers serving in Canada. It is true we are not yet in possession of all the facts of this terrible Quebec affair, though we cannot but think that the provocation to deadly vengeance must have been of the most outrageous and certain character. A generous hospitality, we are afraid, has been abused to the vilest purposes; but we are also equally afraid that too many lay themselves open to such calamities by an over eagerness to associate with those who are supposed to be *par excellence*, gentlemen, but of whose right to be so considered their social and professional position gives, it seems, no reliable guarantee. We cannot but attach the gravest guilt to mothers who welcome the visits to their daughters of known libertines, though we have no feeling but commiseration for the inexperienced victims of seductive arts. Grave as has been the crime of young Chaloner in avenging his sister's dishonor, and heavily as it must be visited for the protection of society, it will at least be calculated to deter in the future any epauletted scoundrel who may desire to invade the peace and purity of Canadian homes.

THE PARAGUAYAN WAR.—The news from Paraguay received about two weeks ago represented President Lopez as utterly crushed and the war as terminated. At the capture of the fortress of Anzures, in the last days of December, about 1500 Paraguayans had fallen as prisoners into the hands of the Allies, and it was supposed that but a small force was now left to Lopez, and that the complete exhaustion of the country would make the raising of another army impossible. According to the later accounts from the seat of war, Lopez still has an army with him and is fortifying in the interior. Thus the war is not quite over, but the ability of Lopez to continue his resistance, if not altogether broken, has certainly been greatly reduced, and nothing, we believe, can save him from a speedy annihilation save a falling out among the Allies.

Mr. A. T. Stewart has written to Pres. Grant, declining the position of Secretary of the Treasury. The letter from him is not peremptory; but simply intended to relieve the President from embarrassments.

Board of School Trustees.

The Board met last night. Present: Mr. Peterson, chairman; Messrs. Pirie, Newton, Cuthbert, McNeil, Stevenson, Harvey, Innes and Dr. McGuire. Mr. Newton presented the report of the Finance Committee, recommending that J. Mitchell's account \$28, and Alexander Bruce's \$7.27 be paid. Also, in reference to the petition of Mr. Hadden, they cannot recommend that any increase be made in the contract for lighting the fires in the girls' school. The report was adopted.

Mr. McNeil presented the report of the School Property Committee, to the effect that Mr. Day has executed the lease of his building in accordance with instructions from this Board, and the Committee recommend that the same be approved, and have the seal of the Corporation affixed.

In reference to Mr. Dunn's communication asking for increased accommodation, the committee find on examination that two additional bedrooms can be made by partitioning part of the room used by Mr. Porter for his classes at a cost of about \$65, leaving sufficient room for all purposes connected with the department, providing the desks at present in use are removed, and benches substituted for the same, all of which they recommend to be done under their superintendence.

The Committee also recommended that the desks at present used in the East and West Ward schools, and part of those in the Grammar School, be removed to Day's Building, to furnish the rooms set apart by the School Management Committee for the accommodation of the East Ward, Senior and Junior boys West Ward Schools, and that new desks be provided for the Senior Girls School. The Committee suggest in accordance with resolution adopted by the Board, with a view of centralizing the schools in town, that the School Management Committee be instructed to take into consideration the propriety of removing the Grammar School Department and South Ward School to Mr. Day's Building, as the committee believe that ample accommodation could be provided for all, leaving a number of rooms unoccupied.

The Board went into committee of the whole on the report, Mr. Harvey in the chair. The first clause was passed. When the second clause came up Mr. McNeil moved, seconded by Mr. Watson, that it be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, that that part of the report be referred back to committee till they ascertain what additional accommodation Mr. Dunn wants for his family. Carried.

The other clauses were passed, and when the Board resumed, Mr. McNeil moved, seconded by Mr. Harvey, that the report as amended be adopted. Carried.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Pirie, that the last clause of the report be referred back to committee. Lost.

On motion, Mary and Charles Hilliard were admitted free pupils to the Junior Girls school, and Jas. Edward and Octavia Daniels free pupils to Mr. Hunter's school. Moved by Mr. Innes, seconded by Mr. Stevenson, that the Secretary be requested to confer with the chairman of the School Management Committee with the view of having a meeting of the committee at an early day to confer with the Secretary in regard to grading the schools. Carried.

THE CUBAN REVOLUTION.—Even the Spanish accounts from Cuba now indicate that the revolution is gaining ground. The *Diario de Havana*, a fantastical organ of the Spanish party, makes important admissions. It reports a rapid increase of revolutionary forces at Mayari in the Eastern, and near Cienfuegos and Palmirios in the Central Department. It mentions another engagement near San to Espiritu, which is not claimed as a victory. It indicates that the whole of the Sagua district is in the hands of the Cubans, and that all the Spanish planters have found it necessary to seek refuge in the towns. Another despatch speaks of a rapid increase of insurgents near Remedios. All this promises to have been a victory, not supported merely by a few isolated bands, but that the people of Cuba are in arms for the recovery of their independence.

ADVANCE OF SPRING.—According to the almanacs, says the *Hamilton Times* and our local oracle in particular, the Spring is on its way, and good growing weather with warm showers are in order about this time. The back bone of the Winter was supposed to have been broken about two weeks ago, but the truth is the Winter didn't get its back up until within a few days past. Early lettuce appeared on the market on Saturday, but dandelions and other field vegetation are backward.

On the 9th of April next, the By-law authorizing the municipality of the Township of Mono to give a bonus of \$45,000 to aid the Toronto, Grey & Bruce Railway, will be submitted to the people. It is said the bogus bond business will defeat the By-law.

Hotel Arrivals.

COULSON HOUSE. GUELPH, March 9, 1869. The following are the arrivals at the Coulson House up to 10:30 this morning: W. Mont, Hamilton; J. G. Cross, Fergus; John E. Vest, Hamilton; W. Denoon, Montreal; Joseph Draper, Arthur; Henry Gounly, Berlin; John Evans, Jr., Kingston; J. Griffith, Toronto; James N. Eastley, Montreal; B. Saunders, Toronto; H. Yocmans & Lady, Belleville; A. Mc Dougall, Cornwall; A. A. Wyandott, J. L. Johnson, Wyandott; Mr. Wright, Harrison; William Martie, Listowell; Wm. Shaw, Listowell; John Turnbull, Toronto; A. Rose Russell, Fergus; Miss Click, Elora.

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SPEED LODGE NO. 180, G. R. C.

The next Regular Meeting of the above Lodge will be held in the Masonic Hall, on TUESDAY, the 9th day of MARCH, at half-past 7 o'clock. I. CUTBERT, Sec. March 6.

GRAND CONCERT.

Complimentary to MISS JENNIE FRASER. A grand Complimentary Concert to Miss Jennie Fraser, under the patronage of the Lieutenant-Colonel and Officers of the 30th Battalion, will be given in the Town Hall, Guelph, On Thursday Ev'g, 11th March. Artists of the highest distinction have kindly offered their services. Tickets Twenty-five Cents. Guelph, 25th February. do

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The accounts of Messrs. Shaw & Thurston, and Alex. Thomson & Co., have been put into my hands for collection. All parties indebted to either of the above firms are hereby notified to settle the same on or before the 15th March to save costs. The undersigned will be found at the store of Messrs. Shaw & Thurston. CHARLES GRENBY, Guelph, 8th March, 1869. 64-1W.

TICKETS

TICKETS FOR THE GRAND CONCERT COMPLIMENTARY TO Miss Jennie Fraser, On THURSDAY, 11th March, at THORNTON'S New Cheap Bookstore. Guelph, March 8. dw 11

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AT THE BRADFORD HOUSE THE GREAT Clearing Sale! Will commence on Wednesday, 10th March, and continue for two weeks. During which time great bargains will be given to make room for our EARLY SPRING PURCHASES. Intending purchasers must call early, as our Clearing Sale don't last all the year round. GREAT BARGAINS In Whitney-Finish and Seal Jackets at \$1.50. An immense lot Fancy at half price. The balance of Shawls to be sold very low.

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