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Eating House. C. H. DAVIS. RESPECTFULLY informs the people of Guelph and neighborhood, that he has opened a public Eating House and Refreshment Rooms,

A few doors above the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street, where will be provided Meals at all reasonable hours, at moderate prices.

Oysters, Sardines, &c TO ORDER ON SHORT NOTICE. An opening for a couple of Boarders. CHAS. H. DAVIS. Guelph, 22, 1867. 81d do if

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO'Y. 1867. In the latest and most fashionable styles. Having had long experience, he guarantees to give satisfaction to all who may favor him with their patronage. Guelph, 24th Nov, 1867. 43w

GUELPH AGENCY. Steam to Liverpool, Londonderry and Glasgow. Steamer MORAVIAN, Portland to Liverpool, 7th December, 1867. Tickets to and from the Old Country, Passage Certificate to bring Friends out, Return Tickets good for six months, issued at reduced rates. State Rooms secured, and every information given on application. Insurance Policies for the voyage issued at the low rate of \$1 per 1,000 up to 10,000. Apply to GEORGE A. OXNARD, Agent, G. T. R., Guelph, Guelph, Oct. 21, 1867. daw

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THE RED MILL. GRISTING & CHOPPING. THE Subscriber begs to inform the farmers and the public that his Mill on the Waterloo Road is now in running order, and that he is prepared to GRISTING and CHOPPING on short notice.

FLOUR AND FEED FOR SALE AT THE MILL. GEORGE HALKWILL.

\$20. STAR \$100. SHUTTLE SEWING MACHINE. Patented May, 1867. THE Star Shuttle Sewing Machine makes a stitch alike on both sides of material sewed, which will not rip or ravel. Does all kinds of work equally as well as Singer's high-priced machine. Combines simplicity with durability, and is warranted for five years. It is suited alike for the dressmaker, tailor, manufacturer or family.—Mr. J. SPAFFORD having been appointed General Agent for Ontario, wishes to engage a few good local and travelling agents, to whom good inducements will be offered. For machine, sample of work, or terms, address J. E. SPAFFORD, Reference—Rev. E. A. Healy, Stratford P. O., or Box 450, Toronto

H. HOGG'S FLOUR AND FEED STORE Opposite the Market Shed. CONSTANTLY ON HAND, all kinds of Mill Feed, Chopped Peas, Middlings, Shorts, Bran, Cornmeal, Oatmeal, Flour! Bacon, Sugar-cured Hams, and Potatoes. Guelph, 28th August, 1867. dw-17

NATIONAL Steamship Company. (LIMITED). STEAMERS Weekly from Liverpool and New York, calling at Queenstown. A Steamship of this line, consisting of the Queen, England, Louisiana, and Virginia, and Helvetia, Pennsylvania and France. Leaves NEW YORK from Pier 47, North River, every Saturday, and Liverpool on Wednesday of each week, calling at Queenstown each way. The size of these Steamships admits of very spacious state-rooms, all opening directly into the Saloon. The accommodation and fare are unsurpassed, and the rates lower than by any other line. The accommodation for steerage passengers are large, and plenty of deck room is allowed, whilst the fare is of the best quality, well cooked and ample. An experienced Surgeon on each ship, free of charge. Tickets are issued in this country to parties wishing to pay for the passage of their friends from Liverpool or Queenstown (Ireland), for \$35, American money. For tickets, special berths, and all information, apply to J. W. MURTON, General Passage Agent, No. 9, James Street, Hamilton. 28th Nov, 1867. wly

REMOVAL. Military Tailor. J. JONES, Late Master Tailor in the 17th Regiment, Upper Wynham-st, next door to Hazelton's Furniture Store, where he will be happy to receive orders for making all kinds of

Military and Civilian's Clothing, in the latest and most fashionable styles. Having had long experience, he guarantees to give satisfaction to all who may favor him with their patronage. Guelph, 24th Nov, 1867. 43w

CORDWOOD for SALE IN GUELPH. GOOD, cheap Cordwood for sale at BROWN'S WOOD YARD Woolwich Street, nearly opposite the Court House. Quantities from half a cord and upwards delivered in any part of the town by leaving the order at the wood yard. ALEX. BROWN, Guelph, 25th November, 1867. 46m

Private Boarding. EXCELLENT accommodation and comfortable board can be had for five or six gentlemen. The house is only three minutes' walk from the Market House. Apply to WM. DYSONS, SR., Waterloo-st. Guelph, 27th Nov, 1867. 44w

Valuable Building Lots for Sale IN EVERTON. THE subscriber offers for sale, cheap for cash, two valuable building lots in the Village of Everton, being No. 132 and No. 133, as laid out on the map made by Wm. Haskins, Esq., F.L.S. There are two-fifths of an acre of land in the two lots, and being close to the Disciples' Meeting House, and in a central part of the Village, form excellent sites for building on. For terms apply at the Agency Office, or (by letter post-paid) to DUNCAN ROBERTSON, Everton P O Guelph, Nov. 19th, 1867. wtr

MUTUAL Fire Insurance Comp'y TOWNSHIP OF GUELPH. Annual Meeting. THE Annual Meeting of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of the Township of Guelph will be held at Guelph's Hotel, Monday, On Saturday, 4th January, 1868 at 2 o'clock p.m., for the election of office-bearers and other business. W. WHITELAW, Secretary. Guelph, 4th December, 1867. w4

Female Teacher Wanted. WANTED, a female teacher for the Junior Division, Erin Village School. Apply with references, stating salary, to the Trustees, School Section No. 2, Erin. Erin, 23rd Nov, 1867. w3

HAY IN TRUSSES. Constantly on hand. Also Straw for beds. TERMS CASH. JOHN WEST, Guelph, July 22. daw-17

Wool, Hide and Leather DEPOT. Can now be had at MR. HORSMAN'S for 15 cents per gallon. Cans of any size are also supplied.

NEW LAW OFFICE. FREEMAN & FREEMAN BARRISTERS AND ATTORNEYS, SOLICITORS IN CHANCERY, CONVEYANCERS, &c. S. B. FREEMAN, Q. C. G. O. FREEMAN. Office over Berry's Confectionery Store, Wyndham Street, Guelph, 4th December, 1867. dw

Evening Mercury. OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET. SATURDAY EV'NG, DECEMBER 7. Local News.

No TELEGRAPH.—The wires being down, on account of the storm last night, we have no telegraph to-day.

Mr. Logie, proctor of the Presbyterian Church, in Nasagawaya, was presented with \$30.45, the proceeds of a social held by the members at Campbellville on the 27th ult.

WATCHES, WATCHES.—Who would be without a magnificent watch, better (in their place) than either the "Russell" or "Waltham," when they are to be had at Mr. Petrie's Drug Store for 25 cents. See advertisement.

IN MEMORIAM.—The parishioners of Kirkmichael, Scotland, have just had erected a very handsome monument in memory of their late pastor, the Rev. Alexander Mackellar, who, for seventeen years, faithfully discharged the duties of the ministry in that parish. It consists of a table stone, resting upon slabs of the same material, closely fitted, giving the whole the appearance of a solid block. The deceased Rev. gentleman alluded to was a brother of Mr. Angus Mackellar, Pauslinch.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL TEACHER.—The Champion says.—The Trustees of the Milton Grammar School having advertised for a Head Master, ten gentlemen of very high qualifications made application, amongst whom were graduates and medalists of King's College, London, Marshal College, Aberdeen, Trinity College, Dublin, Magill's, Victoria and the University of Toronto, in Canada. The Board met at the Town Hall on Saturday last, and after going carefully over the testimonials decided in favor of the Rev. Nelson Burns, B. A., Gold Medalist of the University of Toronto, at present Head Master of the Port Dover Grammar School, and formerly Teacher of Welland and St. Thomas Grammar Schools.

ANOTHER DEATH THROUGH IMPETUOSITY.—The Stratford Beacon says.—Dr. Hyde held an inquest at the Grand Truck Railway station on Wednesday on the body of Benjamin George, an Indian from Oneida, in the County of Elgin, who was killed by a passing train on the previous evening. It appears that deceased and another of his unfortunate tribe had made themselves intoxicated by the white man's "fire water," and while in that state rambled on the track, with some sort of intention of going home. They found their way to the station yard, where deceased, overcome with liquor, laid down on the main line, and the eight o'clock mail train going west coming up, ran over him.

SOCIAL GATHERING.—This being the last meeting of the present County Council, the Warden took the opportunity last night, before the members separated, of inviting them to spend the evening with him. They accordingly met at Ellis's Hotel, and after doing full justice to the good things which "mine host" had so liberally provided, gathered around the social board, bent on a night's enjoyment. Toast, song and sentiment followed each other in quick succession, and the party broke up at a seasonable hour, after spending a most pleasant evening. Mr. Smith has discharged the onerous and responsible duties of Warden for two years in such a manner as to secure the respect and esteem of every member of the Council and the entire approbation of the public. He has been painstaking and punctual in the discharge of his duties, and his courtesy and bearing towards the members have done much to secure the harmony and good will which have prevailed in the Council during the time Mr. Smith has been in office.

SALT IN CLINTON.—The Clinton New Era, mentioning the discovery of a rich salt well in that neighborhood, says the bore has now run through seventy feet of mixed shale and salt, and after that through twenty-five feet thickness of the pure rock salt. The whole depth of the bore is now 117 feet. Whilst we were present at the well the sand pump bro't up specimens of salt as large as a white bean of the utmost purity. This success sets at rest the question of the abundant existence of salt in that locality.

The Best White Coal Oil. Can now be had at MR. HORSMAN'S for 15 cents per gallon. Cans of any size are also supplied.

Wellington County Council. COUSINS HOUSE, Friday, 6th. The Council met at 2 p.m., pursuant to adjournment, the Warden in the chair. Mr. Beattie read the report of the Committee on County Roads, as follows:—They have examined the accounts of the Superintendent, Mr. Grain and Mr. Cooper. The account of the former, \$115.50, for services connected with the Fergus and Douglas Road, and Glenallan Road, they recommend to be paid, but have struck out the items for letting gates; this is part of their ordinary duties, covered by the fixed salaries of the Superintendents. Your Committee cannot recommend that any increase of the salaries of the Superintendents should be made. There is no evidence that their duties have become so onerous, or so increased beyond what was clearly contemplated by the appointment, as to warrant any increase. They recommend that Mr. Jas. Abel's petition for a remission in the terms of his contract, viz: that only ten per cent be kept back of the work done, be granted, provided that his contract agree thereto, and he pay the expense of an agreement under seal, signed by them, respecting them.—They recommend that Mr. Stone's claim for gravel used on the Brock Road be arbitrated on. Your Committee recommend that \$30 be paid Chas. Bya, in full compensation for loss of tolls caused by fencing up road during repair of roads. They recommend that in accordance with the suggestions of Mr. Cooper, C. E., the sum of \$350 be retained from the amount of the Messrs. Carter's contract. Your committee find that the Warden's disbursements connected with the duties this year, imposed on him, arising from the new system of road supervision and management, amount to £80, which your committee recommend to be paid to him in addition to the existing appropriation.—Your Committee also find that certain overseers on the County Roads have been dismissed without the consent or knowledge of the Warden or County Roads Committee, and would recommend that in future an overseer be suspended without the consent of the Warden, or dismissed without the consent of the Warden and Committee. Your Committee further recommend that hereafter the Engineers shall keep separate books for each road in their charge, and submit a classified summary of the accounts at each session of Council, along with the details themselves.

Moved by Mr. Beattie, sec. by Mr. Landarkin, that the report of the Co. Roads Committee be adopted.

Moved by Mr. Merton, sec. by Mr. Jull, that the auditors in conjunction with the County Engineers be instructed to lay before this Council, at the January session, full detailed statements of the amount expended on the different roads within this county, showing the cost and quantity of all material per yard on each road, with the cost of labor and superintending, and any other items connected with the repairs on the roads. Carried.

The Council adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9 a. m.

New Books. LONDON SOCIETY.—The Christmas number of this excellent magazine has been received from Messrs. Chubb & Co., Toronto. It is to all intents and purposes a holiday number, and filled with articles most appropriate for Christmas reading. The illustrations are more than usually clever and piquant, and the number as a whole is the best and most beautiful of the season. For sale at Day's bookstore.

MEXICO UNDER MAXIMILIAN.—This is the title of a new book issued by the National Publishing Company, a copy of which has been sent us by Messrs. Tunis & Co., Clifton. It is neatly got up, with morocco binding. The object of the work is to prove that a country so long torn by intestine strife was happier under Maximilian and a monarchical form of government than it had ever been as a republic. It is dedicated by the admiring author, Flint, to the unhappy but amiable Carlotta. The style is clear and vigorous, and the book interesting. For sale at Day's bookstore.

EVIDENCES OF CHRISTIANITY IN THE NINETEENTH CENTURY.—This is the title of a new work published by the Harpers, a copy of which we have received from Messrs. Tunis & Co. Its author is the Rev. Albert Barnes, the same we presume who is already known in the world of religious literature by his "Notes to the New Testament." It is a work that requires to be read before it can be properly reviewed. We shall notice it more fully hereafter, in the meantime the book may be found at Day's bookstore.

THE WATERDALE NEIGHBOURS.—This is one of Harner's Series of Select Novels. The scene opens in Lucerne, and the attention of the reader is at once seized, and held enthralled until the last page has been read. The book is by the same author as the popular novel "Paul Massie," and is to be had at Day's bookstore.

FIRE IN SEAFORTH.—A disastrous fire occurred in Seaforth on Friday morning, which destroyed five stores in the best part of the town. It broke out in Mr. Hannah's grocery, and from there it extended south, destroying Mr. Douglass's and Mr. Rogers' stores, and north consuming Mr. Hill's dry goods store, Mr. Cull's telegraph and express office, and Mr. Hickson's drug store. Most of the property is partially insured.

GROCERIES.—Mr. Massie advertises groceries, crockery, glassware and various other articles. Those requiring such articles will find that he keeps them of the first class, and if they will only go to his establishment they will be constrained to say it was good for them to have been there.

CONFECTIONERY.—Mr. Harris's advertisement of holiday confectionery appears in to-day's issue. Dealers in the town and country will scarcely require to be told that Mr. Harris's establishment is of long standing in Guelph and of good reputation, and that all goods can be had very cheap.

Rock taken from a new shaft in the township of Barre, Ont., has yielded, upon assay, at the rate of about \$25 per ton.

Resignation of the Guelph Victoria Fire Company. We have been requested to publish the following correspondence and proceedings in reference to the resignation of the Fire Engine Company:

To the Mayor and Council of the Town of Guelph: GENTLEMEN,—At a special meeting of the Victoria Engine Company, held at their hall on Tuesday, 15th inst., for the purpose of taking into consideration the present state of the engine and hose, the following resolution was carried unanimously: Moved by F. B. Skinner, seconded by James Peniston, "That in consideration of the almost useless state of the Engine and Hose belonging to this company, rendering our best efforts as a Fire Company, in time of need, futile and unavailing, we deem it necessary to send a plain statement of our condition to the Town Council; and that the following members be a committee to draw up such a statement embodying this motion, and present it to the Council, viz: B. Fairly, captain; G. H. Skinner, treasurer; and Wm. Beck."

Said committee, having met according to appointment, beg leave to submit the following statement:—In the first place the Engine was never anything but a third-class engine; it has been in use now about seven or eight years; it has been overhauled a number of times, without making any improvement in the working of it; and at the present time, with all the men that can be put on the brakes, it is not capable of throwing a stream more than ten or twelve yards. It requires double the power to work it than it would require if it were a good engine, owing to the position of the cylinders, as any one can see by examining it, or by working on the brakes for five minutes. As for the hose there is about one hundred feet, such as it is. It has been in use some six or seven years, and it is rotten. It has been repaired a number of times, but it is so rotten that it always bursts out again the next time it is used, so that it really is unfit for use any longer. In fact the condition of both engine and hose is such that the Company have come to the conclusion that it is useless trying to do any more with it. If there is a Fire Company needed in this town, they must have an engine to work with, or the Company cannot be of any use. If the tank system of water supply is adopted, by getting another engine with, say, seven hundred feet of leading hose, and using the present engine as a feeder for the other, a supply of water would be almost sure to be found within reach of any fire that might occur in town.

The Committee would just state that unless something be done at once, it will be impossible to keep the company together any longer, as the members have all got tired of being laughed at when trying to do the best they can with an old, used-up engine and a few feet of rotten hose. If the owners of property in this town want an efficient Fire Company, all they have to do is to get a good engine with sufficient length of hose and there will be found plenty of good men who are both able and willing to work it.

B. FAIRLY, Captain. G. H. SKINNER, Treas. W. BECK, Committee. Firemen's Hall, Guelph, Oct. 16, 1867.

FIREMEN'S HALL, Guelph, 6th December, 1867. To A. S. Peat, C. E. G. Fire Brigade. Moved by G. H. Skinner, seconded by John R. Browncombe, "That a statement having been sent in to the Town Council, setting forth the present inefficient state of the apparatus belonging to this Company, and asking for a new engine with a sufficient length of good hose; and whereas the Council, after having said report under consideration for six weeks, have finally decided that they cannot do anything further than grant a few feet of hose; Therefore, knowing, as we do that this Company can do very little, if any, good at a fire with our present engine, and believing that so long as we remain together as a Fire Company, the public will expect us to do the work of such an organization, whether we have proper apparatus or not; and in cases where we fail to conquer the fire, the Company will generally get blamed, without reference to the state of the engine or want of water, or any other cause that may arise to prevent; and furthermore, believing that under these circumstances to retain the name of a Fire Company without the means of water to sustain it would be an act of foolishness, tending to lull the public into a false sense of security; that we consider the only course open for us is to resign. Therefore be it resolved, that we hereby tender to the Town Council our resignation as a Fire Engine Company, and that the statement given them, together with this resignation, be inserted in the papers.—Carried unanimously.

Police Court. Before T. W. Saunders Esq., Police Magistrate. SATURDAY 7th.—Wm. C. Baine was charged by Mr. George Anderson with assault and battery. It appears that Baine unprovoked, struck plaintiff on Thursday, when the latter turned to, and gave him a sound thrashing, and then had a summons served on him. Defendant did not appear, pleading his absence. The magistrate proceeded ex parte and Baine was fined \$5, which together with \$3.00 costs, made the total sum \$8.00. This is rather a heavy license to pay for indulging pugnacious propensities, but peace is a most desirable blessing, and it is worth something to maintain it.

The New York World, noticing the introduction of our new postage bill, thinks that an international postage of three cents should be provided for, now that there is a prospect of the Canadian domestic rate being assimilated to the American three-cent tariff.

Mrs. Disraeli, wife of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, has been seriously ill. The distinguished lady has been the subject of anxious inquiries on the part of the Queen and very many of the nobility and gentry now in London.

The Ottawa correspondent of the Quebec Canadian praises the decorum and business habits of the House of Commons, and adds, "the temperance regulations established at the opening of a session doubtless contributed much to the excellent results."

Guelph Rifle Match. The Second match, open to Volunteers only, with Solder-Enfield Rifles, distance, 300 and 600 yards; five rounds at each range, twenty five cents entrance fee, was concluded on Friday. The day was unpropitious for the competition, being dark, cold and windy. The scores are not high, but we are assured, that when all the unfavorable circumstances are taken into consideration, the shooting was good. There were eleven prizes. First, the Mayor and Col. Higginbotham's purse \$20, second, a coat from Messrs. Hogg & Chance, \$10, third, Capt. Svinford, a fat sheep, fourth, shirt, drawers and socks from Messrs. Fraser & Henderson, value \$5, fifth, dry goods from Mr. Wm. Stewart to an equal amount, sixth, boots from Mr. J. McNeil, also \$5, seventh a tea set, the gift of Mr. R. Rutherford, value \$4.50, eighth, Messrs. A. Thomson & Co., a pair of pants, \$3.50, ninth, a toilet glass of the same value from Mr. Hazelton, tenth, Messrs. Hefferman Bros., a fancy shirt, and eleventh, Mr. Horsman, an artillery powder flask. There were 72 entries, and the following is the score made by the successful competitors.

Name	300	600	Total
Cattley Guelph Rifles	35322-13	04345-12	25
Whelan, Elora	42324-16	04000-4	20
Copp, Guelph Rifles	30342-11	04046-8	19
G. Marsh	32324-15	03008-3	18
Jordan, Elora Rifles	22342-10	03000-2	16
Copeland, Erasmus R.	34330-12	04000-4	16
Hooper, Guelph Rifles	432-8	23000-7	16
Parkinson, Erasmus R.	02325-10	03000-4	14
Day, Erasmus Rifles	40220-5	03000-4	14
Trice, Elora Rifles	23302-10	30000-3	12
Kirby, G. Artillery	32330-11	00002-2	12

It will be observed by the foregoing that there were several ties, but they are ranked above as they stood after they had shot off.

All the corners match was begun, but night cast her mantle over the scene after a few shots had been fired, and operations were suspended until 9 a. m. on Saturday morning.

The Commercial Bank and the Church of Scotland. Mr. Paton, Chairman of the Temporalities Board of the Church of Scotland in Canada has issued a letter, in which he states that the suspension of the Commercial Bank has occasioned serious embarrassment to the Synod's Temporalities Board. To what extent the invested capital may ultimately suffer it is impossible at present to determine; but the stock will be greatly depreciated in value in certain. The Church's pecuniary interest in the institution is represented by 1,264 shares, amounting to \$136,400; and the present loss to the revenue available for supplementing the stipends of ministers is the large sum of \$1,584 per annum. After stating the position in which the ministers who have a claim on the fund are placed, he says that the Board came to the conclusion that the only practicable alternative is to make an effort to provide, at least for the first year, a deficit of revenue, by throwing themselves on the sympathies of the Church at large—and appealing to the adherents everywhere to stand by them and thus to aid these thirty-seven ministers and their families, who, in an unlooked for hour, and in a manner that could not have been foreseen or provided for, will otherwise be deprived of a considerable portion of their already scanty incomes. While the Commission of Synod and the Board alike recommended a personal canvass in each congregation, for the purpose of raising such a sum of money as will be required in order to keep faith with every minister on the Synod's roll, it is for the Kirk sessions to determine what method will be most efficient in their several congregations. It is desirable that all contributions for this purpose should be sent before the 20 December next, to Mr. James Croll, Morrisburg, Ontario, the Secretary of the Board.

VERY STORMY.—If it was not a hurricane that visited Guelph and vicinity on Friday night, it was that degree of windiness which is next below it in destructive violence. The full extent of damage done in this locality we have not yet ascertained, but we have learned enough to convince us that the storm has done a great amount of injury to property, if not to human or animal life. We have heard that many houses that date their antiquity from a period nearly coeval with the settlement of the township, have been overturned and their materials scattered wide by the devastating blast. Mr. Jas. Laidlaw's barn was riddled, and some sixty feet of the roof were torn off a barn belonging to Mr. John Wright, of Woolwich. But the most singular case that has come within our knowledge happened at Blyth's Hotel, on the Elora road. Twenty feet of roofing were carried off the splendid new stable that is in connection with the hotel, and a board or slab of some kind which had been lifted and carried along by the furious gale was driven through the wall into the house—happily without injury to any of the inmates. Dr. Orton's (of Fergus) horse was tied outside, while his owner had gone into the hotel for a few minutes, and the crash of the falling roof so frightened the poor animal that he broke his tie—strap and ran away. We did not learn where the animal was caught or whether he or the vehicle sustained any injury. Much more damage has no doubt been done of which we have as yet received no tidings. We also hear that part of the roof of Mr. Thomas Hood's barn was taken off.

By the returns of the Commissioners for the reduction of the national debt, it appears, that at the beginning of November there were lodged in the Treasury upwards of nine millions and a half pounds sterling from the Post-office Savings Bank. Already about one fifth of all the deposits in Savings Banks in the United Kingdom are in the Banks connected with the Post-office. When we think how simply and safely they are wrought, we can scarcely wonder at it.

RAPID FLYING.—The revolver cannon lately constructed at Liege has been tried. It has eight chambers, two of which are discharged at each stoppage in the rotation. It will fire 100 shots a minute, and with carriage and other accessories weighs about 600 lbs.

THE POSTAL BILL.

The Press of Canada almost without a single exception have condemned in the strongest terms the clause in the new Postal Bill, making it obligatory on the part of publishers to pre-pay the postage on newspapers.

And even if it be not desirable to abolish the tax, we wonder what is the object of making it imperative upon publishers of papers to pay the postage of all their subscribers in advance.

A little calculation will make the matter plain enough. Suppose a publisher of a weekly paper issues 1000 copies a week, or of a daily paper, 1000 copies a day.

[Since the above was in type it is stated that a considerable modification is likely to be made in the Postal Bill.]

Resignation of the Guelph Fire Company.

As will be seen by the report which we publish in another column, the Fire Company at their meeting on Friday night, have come to the resolution to resign.

This is a nice position for a town of 6000 inhabitants to be in. A company of firemen, efficient and willing to give their services on all occasions, but with a broken down engine, a lot of "demoralized" hose, and a Town Council which gravely takes the matter into consideration, and in their supreme wisdom orders an extra hundred and fifty feet of hose.

MORE FENIAN RUMOURS.—The Prescott Telegraph says: "We are informed by a gentleman from Ogdensburg, who has good opportunities of learning the facts, and who is thoroughly trustworthy, that several batteries of field artillery, as well as 30,000 stand of small arms have been brought by the Fenians from different parts of the States, this fall, and deposited at certain points along the frontier between Ogdensburg and St. Albans.

Last Punch contains a capital political cartoon, entitled "On the safe side," from the pencil of John Tenniel. Scene—a street: Napoleon, in the uniform of a French soldier, about to strike a woman (Italy), who tries to defend herself, Big mark passing by. Legend—BENJAMIN: "What, strike a woman?" NAPOLEON: "Why not? She can't strike and you're not going to help her."

Gossip from Ottawa.

There is still a strong feeling against continuing Ottawa as the seat of Government. This feeling is so universal that nothing but the existence of the Buildings and the fear of again commencing what might be a new source of jobbing, prevents an open expression of feeling against that miserable place.

The daily publication of 2,000 copies of a sessional journal, in octavo form, containing on an average about fourteen columns of our largest papers, will cost about \$9,000 if published in both languages.

Mr. McGee is now a total abstainer, but is suffering from ailments brought on by former excesses. It is now certain that he will not be able to appear in his place this year, and it is doubtful if he ever will.

The Ottawa correspondent of the St. John Globe looks with anxious eyes on the lavish expenditure at the seat of Government. He says:—"Everything here is on a scale of magnificence that would frighten the simple people of New Brunswick.

It is said that Messrs. Sandfield Macdonald, Wood and Carling, constituting a quorum of the Ontario Cabinet, are preparing their measures for the coming session at Toronto.

Mr. Halliday's claim is not yet settled by Government. His agent has been there, but it is stated left to-night, Halliday wishes to re-open the Mail-land distillery, with increased capital, but the Government refuse to give him assurances of protection to enable him to come into the country.

Log-rolling is still going on for the Judgeship of York, and the County Attorneyship of Waterloo.

It is reported there is to be another mission to England as soon as Parliament is adjourned.

Mr. Galt continues absent, and it is stated that he will give the Government no aid in carrying their measures. They certainly deserve no support from him, as they do not hesitate to discharge him on all occasions.

It is reported that Mr. Rose's tariff will make a considerable reduction in the free list; also, that the sugar and iron duties will be changed.

The pressure against prepayment of letter and newspaper postage has been so strong that the Postmaster General has been compelled to promise to modify the Postal Bill.

PERSONAL.—We take following from Stratford Beacon of this week.—A communication was read from Mr. Hunter, Principal of the Common School, stating that as he was about retiring from the profession and removing to Guelph, to conduct the business which he had already established there, he intended resigning at the end of the current year, and although it was with a feeling of sorrow that he contemplated a severance of the tie which had bound them together for a period of twelve years, yet the unity of purpose, harmony, and good feeling that had always subsisted between them afforded him great pleasure, and would be ever gratefully remembered.

AN OLD FAVORITE.—We notice by the Stratford Beacon that at the St. Andrew's dinner in that town. Mr. James Wilson, late of Eden Mills, made an eloquent speech in response to the toast of "The Land we left." Mr. Wilson, as he was in Guelph, and wherever known in this section, has become quite a favourite in Stratford where he now resides, and carries on the business of wheat buyer and grain dealer.

So much the better.—In some parish churches it is the custom to separate the men from the women. A clergyman being interrupted with loud talking, stopped short, when a woman, eager for the honor of her own sex, arose and said, "Your reverence, it is not among us."

From the head of Lake Superior to Quebec by water is 1,559 miles; from thence through the straits of Belleisle to the North of Ireland is 8,660 miles. Total 5,219 miles of water communication.

Parliament of Canada.

OTTAWA DEC. 6th.

In the Senate to-day the Bills relating to Members' Indemnity and the Speaker's Office were read and passed. The Postal Bill was considered in committee, and amended so as to make prepayment of postage optional.

In the Commons, the consideration in Committee of the Resolutions in reference to the North-west Territory was resumed. The first three resolutions were adopted without discussion, but the fourth gave rise to a lengthy discussion on the general merits of the question.

Mr. Mills said the Government of Canada formerly claimed the right to the territory in question, and he believed the claim was just. Believing that he took exceptions to resolutions 4, 5 and 6, which seemed to admit that we had no such right. He would suggest moreover that words be added to the 5th resolution, securing to the people the same rights of local self-government, free from Federal control, that are enjoyed by the Provinces already within the union.

Mr. Blake said that when, on the 20th of November, the Government announced what subjects were to be dealt with during this part of the session, no mention was made of the measure now under discussion. The Minister of Militia stated, the night previous, that there were reasons of State why these resolutions should be passed at once. Did these reasons exist on the 20th of November? If not, the House ought to be informed of the reasons that had arisen since that time.

He held that the resolutions were sprung upon the House, and then proceeded to argue on general grounds against them. He denied that the Government was prepared to admit the right of the Company to demand a large sum of money from the people of this country. On the contrary, the Government denied the legal claims of the Company to that portion of the Territory fit for settlement.

He argued, moreover, that the true policy was not to leave any portion of that country under the sway of monopoly. He dreaded the effect of delay, and, as to expense, he held that the incorporation would prove to be a profitable thing for Canada.

Mr. McDougall replied to him in a vigorous and effective speech. Mr. Blake replied, concluding by saying that if no other did it, he would move an amendment, in accordance with his views. Mr. Jones (Hallifax) pleaded for delay, and Mr. Cartwright for immediate action such as the Government proposed.

Messrs. Tremblay, Killam and Howe opposed the resolutions—the last mentioned in rather a remarkable speech, which was replied to by Mr. Tilley. Mr. Fisher said New Brunswick was in favor of the measure—as Mr. Tilley had also said. Mr. Smith denied that, and pleaded for delay.

The remaining resolutions were then passed, and the House adjourned.

It is not until the flower has fallen off that the fruit begins to ripen. So in life it is when the romance is past that the practical usefulness begins.

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BIRTHS.

CULLEN.—On the 21st ult., the wife of Mr. C. Cullen, Orangeville, of a son.

FRASER.—On Wednesday the 20th ult., at Arthur Village, the wife of Mr. Alex. Fraser, of a son.

DEATHS.

SKEOCH.—At the residence of his brother, on the 3rd inst., Alexander Skeoch, son of Mr. John Skeoch, Nichol, aged 36 years and 4 months.

New Advertisements.

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CONFECTIONER, and BISCUIT MANUFACTURER.

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Goods as cheap, if not cheaper, than any other house in the trade.

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PERFUME

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Superior to either the "Russell" or "American" Watch, containing as it does a new and

DELIGHTFUL PERFUME

for the Handkerchief, unrivalled for the sweetness of its odour and lasting properties.

Price Twenty-five Cents each

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A. F. & A. M.



THE next regular meeting of the above Lodge will be held

On Tuesday Evening 10th Dec., at half-past 7 o'clock, by order.

A. B. PETRIE, Secretary. Guelph, 6th Dec. 1867.

1867. NEW FRUIT, 1867.

New London Layer Raisins

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New Select Valencia Raisins

New Seedless Raisins

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New Soft Shelled Almonds

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New Lemons, Oranges, &c.

AT H. WALKER'S

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Guelph, 30th November, 1867. dw

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Wholesale Agent for Putney's celebrated Corn Candy. H. BERRY. Guelph, 6th December, 1867. dw

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FINNAN HADDIES

Fresh Cod, Haddock.

FRESH OYSTERS!

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New Livery Stable.

HORSES FOR HIRE. PARTIES wishing to hire Saddle-horses, or Horses and Buggies, can do so at moderate rates, by applying to the undersigned, at the Wellington Hotel. HUGH STRAHAN. Guelph, Oct. 7 1867. do-3m

Cordwood Wanted.

WANTED about 30 cords of good GREEN BEECH or MAPLE Cordwood. Quantities of from 5 cords upwards will be taken. Apply at once to the Manufacturer, Office, Guelph. Guelph, 5th Nov. 1867. dwtf

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GREAT SALE OF

TEAS, SUGARS,

Fruits, Spices, Wines, &c.,

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All General Groceries for this Month

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THE WHOLE STOCK TO BE CLEANED OUT.

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Guelph 19th August 1867

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" New Layer do

" Very Prime West End Layer Raisins

Bbls English Crushed Sugar

" New Currants

Bags and Pockets choice Java Coffee

Qr Casks and Cases Dunville Irish Whiskey

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Chests, Half Chests, and Caddies New Season, Ping Sney, Young Hyson, Gunpowders, Congous, Souchongs, Color'd and Uncolor'd Japans, Imperials, Twankay, Orange, Pekoe, &c., &c.

Bags superior Arracan Rice

Cases English Thumb Blue

Bbls Brazil Nuts

Bags S. S. Almonds

" Walnuts

" Filberts,

Cases Pearl Tapioca,

" Thin's Pickles

" Booth's, Betts' and Barclay's Old Tom

" John Bull Bitters

Crates Wine, Beer and Whiskey

Bottles

Cases Orange, Lemon & Citron Peel

Boxes Valencia and Jordan Almonds

Cases Table Salt, in glass Jars do Liqueur, &c. &c.

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The above, together with a large stock of

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The Stock to be Cleared Off at Cost Prices, commencing on Monday, the 9th of December.

GREAT BARGAINS! Families ought to take advantage of this rare opportunity of laying in their Winter supplies at once, as this Stock is very large and complete in every Department. Actual Cost Prices will be asked for all the Goods, and no second price or bantering. Store will be open at 9 o'clock in the morning, and close at 6 o'clock in the evening during the sale. All Goods will be sold for Cash only.

Guelph, 30th November, 1867.

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Guelph Evening Mercury
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SATURDAY EV'G, DECEMBER 7.

THE WORLD BEYOND.
How fair the earth, and life how sweet,
When pleasure leads our dancing feet;
When birds attune the rosy morn,
And sunshine crowns the golden corn;
When fragrant odors fill the sense,
And music charms the soul's suspense;
When friends are true, and love is fond;
But—there's a Better World beyond!

How dark the earth, and life how sore,
When pleasure leads the dance no more;
When sorrow saps and pain consumes,
And sunlight fades, and twilight glooms;
When o'er our joys the willow waves,
And gardens we forsake, for graves;
When love and friendship break the bond;
But—there's a Happier World beyond!

How sad the earth, when hate and guile
Like love allure, like honor smile,
When falsehood wears the mask of truth,
And roses wrap the serpent's tooth;
And jealous lightnings blight our trust,
And envy trails our ways in dust—
Till faith departs, and hope desponds,
But—there's a Truer World beyond.

Blessed be God! No fading dross
Of earth I count as gain or loss;
No joy I prize, if joys I share—
My woe, when woe is mine, I bear;
But, looking up with patient glance,
I read, in starlight's pure expanse
The lesson sweet, that saints have coined;
There is a Better World beyond!

NORAH CUSHALEEN OR THE HAUNTED CASTLE.

CHAPTER XXXIX.—REJOICINGS AT DUNDARRA.
—AN ASTOUNDING DISCOVERY.—WELCOME
AND RECONCILIATION.

A noble yet desolate place was the mansion-house and grounds of Dundarra. The building, which was a handsome, upstart structure, was approached by a fine avenue, nearly a mile in length, straight almost as an arrow, and lined on either side by old beech trees, whose wide spread branches met above and formed a long leafy archway of dark green trellis-work. As it entered the park the avenue took a sweeping curve, and widened gracefully up to the portico of the mansion, the pillars of which were surrounded by rough planks to protect them from the cattle which roamed in the park. This seemed the only precaution taken to preserve the mansion. In all other respects it was left to desolation and neglect. The windows were many of them broken, and all thickly covered with dust and dirt. The garden was fearfully overgrown with weeds, and the trees had grown to a wild luxuriance. The wall was broken down in several places, and cattle strayed over patens and what had once been magnificent flower borders. The extensive park was dotted with fine trees of giant proportions—chestnuts, beeches, elms—which were wonderfully proportionate considering the neglect to which for many years they had been subjected.

This was the scene of desolation and despair which Henry Asplin had to operate upon and make somewhat comfortable and pleasant within a week. Being a man of immense energy, promptitude, and activity, he set to work at once, resolved on what was to be done, and the best way of doing it. When first he contemplated the magnitude of the desolation, he thought it would only be possible to get one or two rooms into a state proper for the reception of Mr. Ormond and his bride, but before the first day was expired he saw reason to extend the plan of his operations. Terry Cushaleen proved of immense service in the matter. His zeal and activity knew no bounds. He was here, there, everywhere, and infused wherever he went such cheerfulness and good humor that everybody wrought with enthusiastic diligence. The news that the landlord was coming to reside at Dundarra produced such joy among the people that with one consent they resolved to abandon the fields for a week, and labour to prepare the house and grounds for the reception of Mr. Ormond and his young wife. So they came down in hundreds, and put their service at Asplin's disposal.

The latter, seeing that he had enough of strength for the accomplishment of almost anything, resolved on a most comprehensive plan of operations, and all who came were at once set to some kind of work—Terry acted as first lieutenant and promoted the general enthusiasm by his mirth and boisterous good nature. Jacob O'Brady was nowhere in the bustle and excitement which prevailed. From being the autocrat of the region, he had become powerless and insignificant. No one took their orders from him, or paid any heed to what he said, unless to laugh their defiance in his face, and rejoice in their ability to disregard the tyrant to whom they had been for so long compelled to cringe. He went about bursting with rage and mortification, vowing that he would be revenged when he had again the power.

Henry Asplin, the director of the universal work that was going forward, was highly satisfied with the result. The place was changing as if by magic. The mansion and grounds were exhibiting quite a different aspect; neatness, order, beauty, and harmony, were growing hour by hour out of the desolation, so that as the week drew to a close and the day of Mr. Ormond's arrival drew near, everything within and without was not only passable but admirable.

At last the important day dawned. All was in readiness. By sunrise a band of the villagers came to throw festoons of flowers over the avenue at various parts, and erect triumphal arches at the gates and between two splendid trees which grew on the edge of the lawn. By an early hour in the morning these ornamental erections were affected, flags were hoisted on the top of the mansion, and the preparations were complete.

It was a bright, balmy, harvest day. All nature seemed joyous as if in sympathy with

the happy peasantry. Light fleecy clouds floated gracefully across the blue sky, and a gentle refreshing breeze was wafted over the corn fields, filling the air with waves of perfume.

Long before the hour at which the happy pair was expected to arrive, the people, dressed in their best, poured through the gate and formed into a crowd upon the lawn, where an immense quantity of good cheer was provided, ready for distribution. Then as it drew near 12 o'clock—the hour of arrival—the great door of the mansion was thrown open, and the people of rank and station who had come from various parts of the district to welcome home the young owner of Dundarra, took up a position under the portico. Conspicuous among these was old Squire Kendal, in whose countenance there rested a mournful shadow, caused by the recent elopement of his daughter. By his side stood Jacob O'Brady, inwardly restless and disturbed, yet anxious to meet his master and know how far his power at Dundarra was likely to be curtailed.

As the Squire gazed across the lawn, and saw the gay scene and the excitement and animation of the people, his heart swelled with gratification.

"He!" he said, addressing himself to the factor, "this is something like the days of old when Irish squires were loved and respected by a loyal peasantry. This is a sight which makes my heart beat with joy, and brings the tear into my eye. God bless young Ormond. May he prove worthy of this day's demonstration, and restore his house and name to its former honour and renown."

"If he be in all respects like the Colonel his father," observed the factor, "he will be worthy of the welcome which is this day accorded to him."

At the side of the portico, and on the lowest step, stood Michael Cushaleen and Terry, not the least gratified of those who were there assembled. Dash sat on his haunches between them, and Michael had his hand upon the dog's shaggy head, lest he should be tempted by the surrounding excitement into any demonstration of his own.

Terry was particularly delighted on this festive occasion, for it was greatly owing to him that such an immense improvement had been effected; and Mr. Asplin, while warmly praising his zeal and activity, had assured him that he would not fail to inform Mr. Ormond of the immense and important services he had rendered.

Terry and Mr. Asplin had wrought together in uncommon harmony. The former was full of admiration at the quick decisive habits of Asplin, his clear perception and energetic procedure and ever and anon, as he looked at him, the same idea recurred that he ought to know him; yet he was like, and yet not like, some one with whom he must have had intercourse, but when or where he was unable to determine. His tone of voice, his bearing and gestures, were strangely familiar to him, and he was certain he had seen the quick glances of those dark eyes; but when he set himself to identify Asplin with any one whom he had known, his memory entirely failed him. Terry was puzzled and perplexed, and as the object of his mystification noticed him gazing at him with an expression of curious reflective inquiry, his dark eyes would twinkle, and an amused smile play round his mouth.

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All the above will be offered on and after Saturday, 30th November.

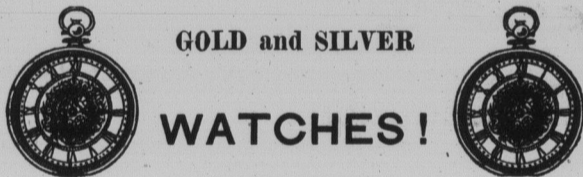
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Guelph, 27th November, 1867.

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HAVING a practical knowledge of my business, I can RECOMMEND any Good I offer for sale as being second to none for price and quality. IF CALL AND SEE.

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JOSEPH BYDALL,
Guelph, Nov. 21, 1867. dw

Castle Garden SALOON TO RENT.

THE Castle Garden Saloon facing the Market, Guelph, to rent. Particulars can be obtained from, and offers will be received up to Saturday, 7th December, by

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK, Guelph.
Guelph, 22nd Nov. 1867.

A FRESH STOCK OF AMERICAN

WATCHES

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Come and See the Bargains at the

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DRY GOODS, CLOTHING

And a Cheap lot of Ladies' and Gentlemen's Underclothing,

All of which we are determined to sell cheaper than any house in the town, and our

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100 Barrels Latest Caught Labrador Herrings,
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Flannels and Winceys,

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A GREAT variety of FANCY WOOLLEN GOODS, including Hoods, Hats, Cloaks, Sonnets, Breakfast Capes, Jackets, Vests, &c., &c.

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SKIN DISEASE CURED!
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Gentlemen,—I deem it necessary to acquaint you with the benefits I have derived from using Bristol's Sarsaparilla, which I purchased from you. I was afflicted for some months with an affection of the skin, which caused me great pain; my face also was covered with a dreadful eruption. After using a number of bottles of other medicines, without any visible effect, I was persuaded to try Bristol's Sarsaparilla. After taking one bottle the good effects of the Sarsaparilla was apparent, I persevered, and after taking five bottles was perfectly cured. You have my full permission to acquaint the proprietors of this valuable medicine with the great benefits I have derived from it.
JAMES TREGGAR,
No. 22 Masonic Arms Hotel,
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DECEMBER.
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"They have suited my case exactly—relieving my throat so that I could sing with ease."
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As there are imitations, be sure to obtain the genuine.

COMMERCIAL.
Guelph Markets.
MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH,
December 7, 1867.

Flour, per 100 lbs.	\$3 75	4 00
Fall Wheat per bushel	1 45	1 50
Spring Wheat	1 30	1 35
Oats	0 45	0 47
Peas	0 62	0 64
Barley	0 68	0 72
Hay per ton	9 00	12 00
Straw	4 00	5 00
Shingles per square	1 00	1 50
Wood per cord	3 00	4 00
Wood	0 27	0 30
Essexer dozen	0 14	0 18
Butter (Irish), per lb	0 14	0 18
Cheese, each	0 25	0 35
Turkeys do	0 50	0 60
Chickens per pair	0 20	0 25
Poultry do	0 20	0 25
Potatoes	0 50	0 55
Apples per bushel	0 00	0 07
Lamb per lb	0 05	0 07
Beef	8 00	8 50
Pork, per lb	0 05	0 07
Pork per 100 lbs	4 50	5 25
Sheep Pelts each	0 30	0 40
Lamb skins	0 40	0 45
Hides per 100 lbs	6 00	6 00

Money Market.
JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE,
Guelph, December 7, 1867.
Gold, 1867.
Greenbacks bought at 7 1/2 to 7 3/4; sold at 7 3/4 to 7 5/8.
Silver bought at 4 to 4 1/2; sold at 4 1/2 to 4 3/4.
Upper Canada Bank Bills bought at 55c to 60c.
Commercial Bank Bills bought at 85c to 90c.

HAMILTON, December 5 1867.
Fall wheat—\$1 45 @ \$1 50, spring do—\$1 30 @ \$1 35 per bushel. Barley—75c @ 78c. Oats—52c to 53c. Peas—75c @ 78c.

TORONTO, December 6, 1867.
Flour—Receipts 2000 bushels; No. 1, at \$3 60—Wheat—at \$1 41. Peas—75c. Oats—53c to 55c. Barley—78c to 80c.

Christmas Presents.
To the Inhabitants of Guelph and surrounding Country.

FOR a very large assortment of the cheapest and best

FANCY GOODS

And Christmas Presents call

AT SHEWAN'S Bookstore

Next door to Hugh Walker's Grocery Store.

M. S. has imported some of the most choice articles of the above direct from England, Germany and France. Call and see.

WALL PAPER is selling at a sacrifice. Most make room for the Spring Stock. Call and look at the endless variety. The trade supplied on the most liberal terms.

Guelph, 4th Dec, 1867.

FURS,
FURS, FURS.

WE have opened our stock of **FURS**, of our own manufacture, which we will sell at LOW PRICES, viz:

Extra Dark Mink,
Royal Ermine,
Siberian Squirrel,
River Mink,
Ladies' Hoods,

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

F. GARLAND,
Market Square, GUELPH.

The Highest Price paid for Raw Furs
Guelph, Oct. 31, 1867. 88d w32

AUCTION SALE
OF LAND IN ERIN.

FOR sale that farm, being composed of part of Lot number 24, in the 6th Concession of Erin, containing by measurement 20 acres, of the same more or less, being the south corner, butting on the 8th Line; also, 12 acres of the east corner of Lot 24, in the 6th Concession of Erin, all of which will be sold by public auction, on

Thursday, 2nd January, 1868,
at 3 o'clock p. m., in Hillburg, opposite Samuel Leeson's hotel. Title indisputable. Terms cash. Hillsburg, 4th Dec, 1867. w4

STRAYED PIGS.
CAME into the premises of the subscriber, near the Race Course Inn, about three weeks ago, two good sized Pigs. The owner is requested to prove property, pay expenses, and take them away.

JOSEPH RYDALL, Erasmus Road,
Guelph, November 21, 1867. dw3

Four Corners' Hotel,
ERASMUS ROAD.

Quantities of from 5 cords and upwards taken. Cash on delivery at advanced rates. Apply at the

THE GROCERY & WINE TRADE.
OPENING ANNOUNCEMENT.
FRANK SMITH & CO.
77 Front Street, Toronto,

BEG to intimate to their Western friends and the public generally, that they have now received a large portion of their Fall supply of

Fresh English Groceries, Wines, Brandies, &c.,
Ex. 'Planet,' 'Chaudiere,' 'City of Hamilton,' 'Glenborie,' from London.
'Avon,' 'Oneda,' 'Hibernia,' 'Peruvian,' 'Summer,' and 'Perle,' from Liverpool.
'Abeina' and 'Gleniffer,' from Glasgow.
'Agnes' from Charente. And are daily expecting the arrival of

Fresh New Crop Fruit and Mediterranean Cargo
Ex. 'Doodara,' 'Canny Scott' and 'Mary Ann,' from Malaga, Marseilles and Denia.

JUST RECEIVING IN STORE,
303 Hds and Tierces of Barbadoes, Porto Rico and Cuba Sugars.
322 Bbls Currants every 1866, VERY CHEAP.
1275 Half Chests and Caddies Souchong, Congou, Japan, Gunpowder, Young and Old Hyson Teas.
With a full assortment of Tobaccos, Refined Sugars, Wines and Liquors and Dry Groceries. All of which will be submitted to the trade, equal to and below Montreal prices.

Inspection invited. Terms Liberal. Cash and prompt paying customers desired.
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HAVE YOU SEEN BARNUM?

YES!

Well, the next biggest thing is the **BOOT and SHOE** Establishment of

PREST & HEPBURN

COME AND SEE IT.

THERE IS NOW ON EXHIBITION the Largest, Best, Cheapest, Neatest and most Durable assortment of

BOOTS AND SHOES

ever offered to the trade in the county of Wellington. In fact, it is the stock of Ontario. This is the only house that manufactures their own Boots and Shoes.

SUPPORT HOME MANUFACTURE!

and keep your money in the country. We do not believe in puffing, but simply ask the public to come and see our Boots and Shoes, and we are confident the verdict will be in our favor. We will guarantee all our goods. Remember the Stand—

The Old Penitentiary Boot and Shoe Store!

And the oldest Shoe Store in Guelph. **REPAIRING DONE, AS USUAL.**

PREST & HEPBURN.

Guelph, 16th October, 1867.

No. 40.) CANADA (No. 40.)

CLOTHING STORE.

N. CROFT

TAKES pleasure in informing his customers and the public that he has received his Stock of FALL and WINTER GOODS, consisting of

Cloths of every Description,

Which he is prepared to make up to order in the latest and most fashionable styles. On hand a stock of the

BEST READY-MADE CLOTHING in TOWN

All of our own manufacture, and warranted to give satisfaction. Also, on hand, a large stock of

Felt Hats, Fur and Cloth Caps and Gloves,

Under and Over SHIRTS, and every other article in Gents' Wear.

CLOTH SOLD BY THE YARD. A lot of

CANADIAN TWEEDS at Greatly REDUCED PRICES!

N. B.—Agent for all the Best Improved Sewing Machines.

N. CROFT,

Canada Clothing Store, Wyndham Street, Guelph, Nov. 19th, 1867. ds8m

COMMERCIAL The Wizard Soap

BANK BILLS

TAKEN AT PAR

AT THE

GUELPH

CLOTH HALL!

A. THOMSON & CO.

Guelph, 5th November, 1867. dw1

Cordwood Wanted.
1000 CORDS

WANTED, 1,000 Cords of Hardwood, delivered at the

Grand Trunk Freight Station
GUELPH, THIS WINTER.

Quantities of from 5 cords and upwards taken. Cash on delivery at advanced rates. Apply at the

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Opposite the MARKET.  Opposite the MARKET.
SMITH & BOTSFORD

Have now the Largest and Best Selected Stock of

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Ever brought into GUELPH. The Stock consists in part of the following:

Overcoats, Sacks and Frocks

Black, Blue and Brown **MELTONS,**
Black, Blue and Brown **PILOTS**
Black, Brown and Blue **ELYSIANS,** ranging in price from \$5.50 to \$16.

ALSO, A SPLENDID LINE OF

TIP-TOP PEA JACKETS

They would also beg to call attention to their HUDSON BAY AND RED RIVER OVERCOAT, UNDERCOATS SACKS AND SACKETTES, in Scotch, English and Canadian Tweeds, Doakins, Meltons and Sattaras, from \$5.50 to \$10.

IN PANTS AND VESTS

we have a large stock of the following:—Cottonades, Unions, Molekins, Satinets, Tweeds, Doakins and Pilots. Their BLACK CLOTH FROCKS, Shooting Coats, Sacks, Pants and Vests, for style, quality and price, can cope with anything in the Dominion.

A large assortment of **BOYS' CLOTHING** always on hand. S. & B. defy competition. Remember the Stand—Sign of the Elephant, opposite the Market.

SMITH & BOTSFORD.

Guelph, 13th September, 1867. dw-14

The

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SHIRTS!

and

DRAWERS

For Sale

At the Guelph

Cloth Hall.

A. THOMSON & CO.

Guelph, October 5, 1867. dw

DIRECT IMPORTATIONS

OF STAPLE AND FANCY

DRY GOODS!

AT THE BRADFORD HOUSE.

GEORGE JEFFREY

Has much pleasure in announcing the arrival of his

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WHICH WILL BE FOUND ONE OF THE MOST ATTRACTIVE IN CANADA. HE WOULD PARTICULARLY DIRECT ATTENTION TO A FEW DEPARTMENTS:—

SILKS, Black and Coloured.
REPS, PRINCESS' CLOTHS,
MANTLE CLOTHS,
Some things Quite New.

And every other description of Goods will be shown as they appear in the Market.

GEORGE JEFFREY.

Guelph, September 21 1867. d

Bay Horse Hotel.

McDONNELL-ST., Guelph. Valentine

Wald begs to inform his friends and the inhabitants of Guelph and surrounding country, that he has taken the above House lately occupied by W. H. Matthews, where he intends to keep good accommodation for all who may give him a call, viz:—Good Meals, good Beds, good Liquors, good Stabling, and a civil Hostler. Please give him a call. The best Lager Beer always kept on hand.

F. J. B. FORBES,
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AGENT for the Queen Fire and Life Insurance Company of England. Land and General Agent. Auctioneer. Inspector of Weights and Measures for the South Riding of the County of Wellington. Residence, Suffolk-st. Guelph (near St. Andrew's Church).

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EVERY TEN DAYS.
Rates for First, Second and Third Cabin VERY LOW.
For Special Berths, Tickets, &c., apply to J. W. MURTON.

INDIA & CHINA TEA COY.
Home Depot at London and Liverpool.
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THE India and China Tea Company beg to call the attention of the Canadian community to their directly imported Teas, which for purity and excellence will be found unequalled.

The Company have made arrangements whereby they have secured the entire production of the finest plantations in Assam and on the slopes of the Himalayas, and by a judicious blending of these magnificent Teas with the best varieties of China produce, they are enabled to offer to the public Teas of quality and flavour hitherto unknown to the general consumer. These Teas are in high favour in England and France, and a single trial will prove their superiority.

The Company supply two qualities only, either Black, Green or Mixed. Their Black Teas will be found to possess great brightness and flavour, combined with colour and strength, and to be entirely different to the first and grand article usually sold as Black Tea; while their Green Teas are altogether free from the deleterious mineral powder so commonly used for coloring inferior Teas.

PRICES: Rich, full-flavoured Tea, for family use a real genuine and fine article 70 cents per lb. Finest quality procurable, one dollar per lb.

The above can be had either Black, Green or Mixed. To be had in packets of Quarter Pound Half Pound, One Pound, and upwards, or in tin canisters of 5 lbs. and upwards, from the Company's Agents in all the chief towns of Canada—N. B. All the packages are lined with tin foil paper, and the Tea will consequently retain its flavour any length of time.

OSWEGO.—All packages have the Company's trade-mark, without which none are genuine.

MR. N. HIGINBOTHAM
Agent, Guelph.
Guelph, August 3, 1867. ds-17

COMMERCIAL BANK BILLS
TAKEN AT PAR FOR CLOTHING, AT

SMITH & BOTSFORD'S

OPPOSITE THE MARKET, GUELPH.

Guelph, 1st November, 1867.

TROTTER & GRAHAM,

DENTISTS!

GUELPH and BRAMPTON,

Members of the Dental Association of the Province of Ontario.

(Successors in Guelph to T. Trotter.)

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The new anesthetic agents used for extracting teeth without pain.

R. TROTTER, W. K. GRAHAM,
Guelph, 2nd August, 1867. (ds-17)

Funerals, Funerals!

NATHAN TOVELL has to intimate that he is prepared to attend funerals as usual. Coffins always on hand. Hearse to hire. His Steam Planing Mill is in constant operation. All kinds of lumber, sashes, doors, blinds, mouldings, &c. He solicits a share of public patronage.

NATHAN TOVELL,
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Dominion Grocery, Fruit and

FANCY STORE.

(Late Post Office Store.)

MRS. ROBINSON

HAS just received a very large and varied stock of Fancy Goods, comprising Woollen of all kinds, Braids, Crochet Cottons, Machine Spools, Common Spools, Hair Pins, Pins, Boot Laces, Satchels, Portmanteaux, Neckties, Belt Buckles, Bandages, Bear Fins, Blags, &c.

Don't forget the stand, next door to the Wellington Hotel, Upper Wyndham Street.

Wanted to purchase for cash 500 lbs. of W. A. K. early next month, see a firm in Montreal.