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## The Evening Mercury

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THE Standing Circulation of the EVENING AND WEEKLY MERCURY is 6,400 copies, a circulation which no other journal in this section of Canada can lay claim to.  
ON an average five persons read each paper. So that 32,000 readers peruse each issue.

## IRON PLOUGHS.

## A. GILLIES.

MORRISTON,  
HAS much pleasure in informing the farming community that he has now ready a large number of Gray's celebrated Iron Ploughs, made of the very best of material and finished in first class style, as well as several more nearly finished. He would especially invite the attention of price slougmen to the merits of this plough. It having invariably taken prizes when competing throughout the county. He continues to manufacture the Modeland, Maffay and other wooden Ploughs as heretofore, and would respectfully urge intending purchasers to inspect his stock of ploughs, at his show room, Morrision.

Waggons, Buggies, Sulkes, &c.  
He has also special facilities for manufacturing Lumber and Market Waggons, Buggies, Sulkes, &c. and all kinds of Farming Implements.  
Horse-shoeing done as usual in the highest style of the art. A trial solicited from those having horses with bad feet.  
Morrision, 10th March, 1868. wlm

## DR. COOKE'S WORKS

TESTIMONIAL FROM THE  
REV. ROBERT BURNS, D. D.,  
Professor in Knox's College, Toronto, on  
"Explanations of Difficult Passages of Scripture."

Apart from lengthened Commentaries on Scripture and doctrinal and practical expositions of Divine Truth, all of which have their appropriate uses, it has often occurred that a short and yet comprehensive work like that of Dr. Cooke, of far religious literature. I have examined it with some care, and it has made on my mind a very favorable impression. Of course there will be various opinions on all subjects, and different explanations of difficult passages in the Word of God may be given; but taken as a whole the work richly deserves the commendation of all that are friendly to evangelical truth. The introductory parts contain many admirable suggestions on the best way of studying the Scriptures. On hundreds of difficult passages the book has thrown a clear and satisfying light; while the spirit breathed through the whole is eminently Christian. Of "dry criticism" we have nothing, and we want nothing; but of solid, well-informed and well-exposed illustration and remark, we have much. My best wishes go along with its circulation.  
ROBERT BURNS, D. D.

For sale by  
T. J. DAY, Guelph.

## Notice of Co-partnership

TAKE NOTICE that a co-partnership has this day been entered into between the undersigned under the name, style and firm of A. THOMSON & CO., for the purpose of carrying on the business of Merchant Tailors in the Town of Guelph.

ALEXANDER THOMSON,  
SAMUEL SHAW,  
GEORGE MURTON, Jn.  
Guelph, 2nd March, 1868. daw3t

## STRAYED STEER.

CAME on the premises of the subscriber, Lot 12, 2nd Con. Rtn, about five months ago, a brown steer, about three years old. The owner can have the same by proving property and paying expenses.  
DUGALD McTAVISH.  
Rtn. 19th March, 1868. w3

## TRAVELLERS' GUIDE.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.  
GOING EAST. GOING WEST.  
Mail, 9.45 a.m. Day Express, 9.45 a.m.  
Day Express, 11.35 a.m. Eve. Ex., 2.45 a.m.  
Night Ex., 2.45 a.m. Eve. Accom., 5.50 p.m.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.  
ARRIVE AT GUELPH. DEPART.  
Mixed, 10.50 a.m. Accommoda'n 6.45 a.m.  
Accom'd'n., 11.35 a.m. Mixed, 3.00 p.m.  
Do, 8.05 p.m. Accom., 5.50 p.m.

Stages leave for Walkerton at 5 a.m., and for Owen Sound at 5 a.m., Hamilton and Brock road at 11 a.m.

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Advertisers will reach a large class of readers by inserting their business announcements in this paper. Our daily and weekly editions are double those of our contemporaries.

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THURSDAY EV'G, MARCH 19, 1868.

## NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

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

SUDDEN DEATH.—A Mrs. Elliott of Dumfries died very suddenly on Saturday morning last. She had been in good health, and went to bed as usual the previous night. Her husband found her breathing regularly about four o'clock in the morning when he got up, but on going back to the bed shortly afterwards he heard a peculiar noise, and she died almost instantly.

A CONFIDENCE MAN NABBED.—A confidence operator, named Kibble, who has for some time past been carrying on a glove manufactory in Hamilton, has come to grief. He has been going it pretty fast, and by representing himself to be a man of means, and strengthening the assertion by outward appearances he has walked into large number of merchants. The Sheriff wound up his business for him lately, in virtue of an execution procured by a New York creditor, and then claims came against him thick and fast. Most of these could be construed into nothing more than "branches of trust," but Mr Spiers of Galt preferred a charge that amounted to fraud. On Wednesday he was taken from Hamilton to Berlin to await trial at the Assizes.

RAIL RIDING, &c.—The village of Hanover, like almost all other villages, has a citizen who dearly loveth his luh, and his name is McGregor. When under the influence of liquor, which occurs regularly and at no distant intervals, he says and does unpleasant things, and for this cause three men came upon him one evening lately when he was going home drunk, tarred and feathered him, and rode him on a rail. He laid a complaint with the magistrates, and the parties were bro't up to answer the charge. McGregor had had a companion with him who was called on for evidence, but he said he was so very drunk on the occasion he did not remember anything about it, and McGregor was also so strongly affected the same way, that he thought him in a very fit condition for imagining he was riding on a rail when in reality he was not. The defendants were fined ten cents each and costs, and the plaintiff for some threatening language he had used was ordered to find bail to keep the peace for the next six months.

THE BRUCE STABBING CASE.—Sandford Simmons, the young man who established a companion in Walkerton some time ago, and had fled as far as Guelph before he was arrested, has been sentenced at the last sitting of the Bruce Co. Court to four years' imprisonment in the Penitentiary. This is a severe correction, but the criminal is now merely an overgrown boy, and he will come out again into the world after his term of expiation has expired still a young man, with an experience which, though very sad, may prove very useful to him afterwards. His case is a fresh exhortation to heed the warning, "Beware of the green-eyed monster." For allowing passion a momentary preponderance he has been condemned to four years' reflection on the crime; four years' hard labour have been imposed upon him to give balm to the wounds of the man he stabbed, and to erase the vile stain from his own character. And all this because he and another noodle took it into their heads to quarrel about a girl that perhaps does not care a straw for either of them.

The flood at Belleville still continued on Tuesday night, the mouth of the Moria River being firmly blocked up with ice and timber. Three mill dams, the iron bridge, and many barns, sheds, &c., were swept away. All the mills and factories from the railroad bridge to the wharves are more or less shattered. The damages are variously estimated at from \$50,000 to \$75,000.

## McINNES, CALDER & CO.

Have Now Open their  
SPRING IMPORTATIONS.

Hamilton, March 19, 1868. daw 2w

## THE FORGER ARRESTED.

On Tuesday evening last Mr. Lindsay, hotel keeper, Guelph, received a telegram from Mr. Cameron, a hotel keeper at Collingwood, requesting that he would forward a description of the forger, who had given his name here as McGregor, and who had chiselled a gentleman in this town pretty extensively, and touched the pocket of another one lightly. Mr. Lindsay at once replied, describing the fugitive's personal appearance, and the sort of horse and vehicle he had in his possession when he left Guelph. He appears, however, to have changed horses at Seaford. On receipt of Mr. Lindsay's telegram Mr. Cameron forwarded another enquiry as to what reward would be forthcoming for McGregor's capture. Mr. Lindsay and the Chief Constable consulted, and they recollected there was a standing rule of the County Council that \$20 are to be given to any person who gives such information as will lead to the apprehension and conviction of a horse thief. If he has stolen a horse in the county they betook themselves to Mr. Saxon who said that the sum should be supplemented so that it would become \$50. But when they came back the Telegraph Office was closed, and they were entirely at a loss to know whether the man of whom they had heard was the individual of whom more than one had a painful recollection. But the Chief Constable took his departure on the 5 a.m. train on Wednesday morning, and the Globe of Thursday brings us the intelligence that the forger has been captured. It says—Yesterday afternoon, a young man of about twenty-four years of age and giving his name as Thomas Drew, was arrested on the strength of a telegram from Collingwood, signed by the Chief of Police of Guelph, on a charge of forgery. He tracked him to Collingwood, and learning there that he started for Toronto, apprised the department here of the fact. Detective McKendry was accordingly detailed to ascertain his whereabouts, and after some little search, discovered him in company with a female, supposed to be his wife, at the Argyle Hotel, Front street. He was immediately arrested, and conveyed to No. 1 station, to await the arrival of the Guelph authorities. His name in the west was given as McGregor, and he appears to have assumed the same name here, but changed it to Drew when arrested.

## MASON'S DRAMATIC COMPANY.

GRAND COMPLIMENTARY BENEFIT THIS EVENING BY THE GUELPH DRAMATIC ASSOCIATION.  
The popular play of "Fanchon" was performed last night by Mason's Dramatic Company last night, and was well acted. Miss Dunn as Fanchon was excellent. Miss Clifton as old Fadet exhibited great dramatic power, especially in the passionate parts, which were remarkably well played. Mr. Daly as Landry Barband and Mr. Lampeo as his twin brother were very good as usual. The other characters were also well represented.

To-night the Company receive a grand Complimentary Benefit from the Guelph Dramatic Association, when the leading members of both companies will appear. "Don Caesar de Bazan" is the play chosen, to be followed by the roaring farce of "The Happy Man." The Band of the 30th Battalion will also be present, and play several of their favourite airs. We trust that there will be a full house to-night. The company on account of weather and other causes have been unfortunate lately, and this benefit is got up for the purpose of getting them out of their trouble.

## FIRE AT KINGSTON.—

About two o'clock last Wednesday morning the steamer "Empress," lying at Gildersleeve's wharf, Kingston, took fire and burned to the water. She formerly belonged to the Royal Mail Line. The cause of the fire is unknown.

## Base Ball—A Brilliant Inauguration of the Season at Niagara Falls.

The American Chronicle of Sports and Pastimes, published in New York, of the date 12th inst., has the following:—We are very glad to learn that the base ball season of 1868, is to be opened in brilliant style, at the village of Niagara Falls, in May next. Arrangements have already been made for a grand tournament, to take place under the auspices of the Niagara Base Ball Club. They have determined upon having a gala time commencing on the 15th of May, on which occasion it is proposed to have a grand tournament open to all clubs, not only belonging to New York, but to other States, and Canada. A fund has been raised, from which \$2,000 has been set apart for prizes. A ground has also been secured, covering fifteen acres in extent, and the same is to be enclosed by a fence, and prepared for the season's play, as soon as the weather will admit of operations on the ground. An individual prize, in addition to those included in the \$2,000, will be given by Mr. J. T. Fulton, to be known as the "International Hotel Prize." Also special prizes by Messrs. Barker, Walker, Brooks, Krakooki and many others.

This tourney has been arranged in the interests of the New York State Association, and with a view of enlarging its list of members. We have no doubt of its being a perfect success, and shall fully expect to see such organizations as the Unions of New York and of Lansingburg, Mutuals, Athletics, &c., taking part in it. The fact of being able to witness a fine series of games, and to see Niagara at one and the same time, will be ample inducement to hundreds in this city to take the trip, while the number and value of the prizes will be sufficiently attractive to draw our strong nines out there. As the Athletics intend going west in April, they will be just in time to arrive at Buffalo, en route home, to take part in the tourney. Arrangements will be made with the railway companies for cheap excursion tickets to Niagara from New York, Boston and Philadelphia.

## The Astors—How they Manage their Business.

The New York correspondent of the Boston Journal tells how the living Astors are managing and increasing the great fortune which their ancestors left them, and what it amounts to.  
"The Astors will probably hold their property for many generations to come. Wm. B. was trained by his father to the style of business which had gained his fortune and increased it. Since the death of John Jacob Astor the business has been continued in the same style that marked it before he died. William B. Astor has two sons, John Jacob and William B., Jr. They have been carefully trained to the same style of business that distinguished their father and grandfather. In the little one story brick building on Prince street, looking like a small jail with the iron bars in front, the father and two sons can be daily seen taking care of the immense estate. The sons are quiet and reticent, like their father. No bank clerk goes to his business more steadily than they. At a given hour in the morning they enter their office. At a given hour, arm-in-arm, they walk down Broadway to Wall street. Between two and three o'clock they can be seen returning from their down-town office. They are seldom separate. They are capable, industrious, economical, and pre-eminently devoted to business. Should their father die to-morrow, everything would be taken up just where he left it, and all his plans would be carried out, nor would any change be made in the mode of doing things during their lifetime. The utmost care was taken of their uncle, John Jacob, who died the other day. Every wish of his father in regard to him was scrupulously carried out. His fine residence on Fugate street, with its garden occupying a whole square, with his coaches and horses, were preserved to him to the last. It is rare that three generations of men exhibit such characteristics. Thrown into office, its commanding situation would make the Astor House a source of revenue such as it can never become as a hotel. But the wishes of its founder, though dead, still prevail, and a hotel it will be, probably, during the lifetime of its present owner."

## HORRIBLE CASE OF CHILD MURDER.

The Quebec Gazette has the following:—On Friday night, an ex-bailiff of the Recorder's Court, named W. H. Taylor, was arrested on suspicion of having murdered his son, W. H. C. Taylor, a child of eight years of age. Coroner Panes was notified of the death of the boy, and immediately proceeded to hold an inquest on the body. Information received in the early part of the enquiry led also to the arrest of Taylor's wife, step-mother to the deceased, who was suspected of being an accomplice in the crime. Some eighteen witnesses had been examined on Saturday, and the evidence of the neighbors, though slightly differing in detail, all agree in the main point, that in their estimation the death of the child was caused by heartless cruelty, dreadful suffering by freezing and starvation, and constant beatings. The prisoner Taylor is about forty years of age, a Jerseyman by birth, an avowed atheist in religion, and was formerly a school teacher in St. Rochs, up to the time of being offered the more congenial employment of serving writs of execution on people's property for non-payment of taxes. Public indignation is stirred to its very depth against the inhuman wretches who are accused of this infamous crime. The evidence given before the coroner is of too positive a character to admit of any doubt of their criminality, and their ultimate punishment when the

## Parliament of Canada.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.  
OTTAWA, March 18.

The Speaker took the Chair at 8 o'clock.  
Mr. Connell inquired of the Government whether the Stamp Act was constructed to impose a duty on notes, &c., under the sum of \$25.  
Hon. Mr. Booe said it was the province of the Government to construe the Act, and it would be improper for them to answer the question.

The question being put on receiving a number of petitions praying the selection of Robinson's route for the intercolonial Railway.  
Dr. Parker said the petitioners appeared to labour under the misapprehension that this question was still at the disposal of the House, whereas the House had vested the Government with the right to decide the route.

Hon. Mr. Cartier said the duties and responsibilities of the Government as to the selection of a route could not interfere with the right of any portion of the community, or of any individual in the Dominion, to address the House by petition.

Hon. Mr. Holton said the Minister of Militia had no doubt laid down the law correctly as to the right of petition, but what signified that right if no action was to be taken on the petitions when received? He differed a little however, from his friend the member for Centre Wellington, as to the position of this question.

Though the House had vested the Government with the right to select the route, it was still competent for the House to repeal the law, or to advise and instruct the Executive as to what they should do, and to vote want of confidence in them if they made an improper selection or failed to make a selection at all.

Hon. John Sandfield McDonald said the public outside had a very earnest anxiety as to what was to be the route of the intercolonial Railway. He desired that speedy action should be taken.

Mr. Connell moved to refer the return to an address for names and salaries of officers and employees of the Government and legislature, &c., to a select committee consisting of Messrs. Langvin, J. S. McDonald, Mackenzie, Young, Gibbs, Branch, Pope O'Connor, Stuart, Campbell, Burpee and the mover.

Mr. Young said he had seconded the motion with much pleasure. As regarded the Contingencies Committee, he found there was a feeling abroad that that Committee was not likely to make any important move in the direction of economy.

The Secretary of State was Chairman of that Committee. With all deference to that gentleman, he thought it would have been better if a member of the Government, who was a servant of this House just as much as its other officers, had not been Chairman of such a Committee. He thought the House should follow the good example which had been set by the late Province of Canada, and between the Imperial Government and that of the Dominion since 1st July, 1867, on the same subject.

Hon. Mr. Cartier said the Government had no objection to the motion. Indeed, it had been their intention to have laid before the House all correspondence and despatches bearing on the question of defence, in order the better to enable the House to discuss the measure which in a few days he would have the honor to introduce, with regard to the militia and defence of the country.

The House adjourned at six o'clock.

## IN THE MIDS OF THE WATERS.

A family named Taylor, residing in Westminister, at the Cove, will long bear in mind the flood of 1868. During Monday and Tuesday they were sorely incommoded. On the rising of the river the second time, the whole flat in the vicinity of the Cove was covered, and in the neighbourhood of Taylor's house especially, to the depth of from six to ten feet. The family thus on rising on Wednesday morning found their domicile afloat, and communication entirely cut off. The sheet of water extended on one side for nearly a mile, unbroken by a single hummock or shrub. Their two cows had taken refuge on top of a miniature heap near the house, where they remained chewing their cud in a forlorn condition. The Taylors ascended to the upper storey of their house, and there calmly awaited the abating of the waters. As the day advanced their situation attracted the notice of Mr. Kent, a resident of the locality, who launched a canoe and enquired how they fared. He subsequently took out some provisions and did his utmost to assist them.

## MILITARY MOVEMENTS.

The 29th regiment is under orders to leave Hamilton for Toronto, and no other regiment is likely to be quartered in the former city for some time. The 59th Regiment is to be transferred from Brantford to London; the 53rd Regiment from London to Montreal; and the 4th Battalion, 60th Rifles, from London to New Brunswick, Brantford will be discontinued as a military station.

A LIBEL SUIT.—Coroner Gordon lately brought a suit for alleged libel against the Owen Sound Advertiser, but the Grand Jury could find no cause of

## BY TELEGRAPH.

Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

## BY ATLANTIC CABLE.

London, March 18.—The whole plan for Church, Land, and Educational reforms in Ireland will go over to the next Parliament.

Madrid, March 18.—Peace envoys from Peru and Chili are hourly expected at Cadiz.

Dublin, March 18.—Mr. W. Johnson, the Orange Secretary, who was imprisoned in the County Down, for taking the lead in an alleged illegal procession, has been made a candidate for Parliament from the city of Belfast.

## American Despatches.

Detroit, March 18.—The tannery of T. Ladd was destroyed by fire on Tuesday night. Loss \$40,000.

Memphis, March 18.—Three men in disguise, supposed to be members of the Kuklux Klan, went last night to the house of a negro, near Nashville, and demanded admission. The negro fired and killed one of them. The affair created considerable feeling, but is not likely to lead to further trouble.

Washington, March 18.—The impeachment managers were yesterday engaged in the examination of witnesses. Having heard that a claim agent had reserved \$200 on a requisition from Adjutant General Thomas, as Secretary of War, they summoned the agent before them. Testimony shows such not to be the fact.

Honduras advices, March 6, state that about a month since the cholera was declared to be no longer epidemic. Since that time but few cases have occurred either here or anywhere on this coast.

Buffalo, March 19.—A young man, named Charles Spencer, committed suicide last evening by shooting himself through the head.

Washington, March 19.—The President spends much of his time with his counsel on the subject of impeachment trial. Stanberry, Black and Curtis had a long consultation with him yesterday at the Executive Mansion.

New York, March 19th.—Harold's Jaemel, Hayti, special of Feb 22nd, says President Salnave and his army were surprised 30 miles from Cape Haytien, and defeated. He was over-whelmed force and sustained great loss. Delorme is at Port au Prince, proclaiming victories that have never been won, and giving deceptive feasts. The French Admiral had demanded payment of the Haytien arrears to France for the last three years. In case of an unsatisfactory reply, he is according to instructions to seize the Custom House and collect payment himself. Conscriptions are active, and there seems to be a special design against wealthy families. A certain Senator Carvalho had to pay two hundred thousand dollars or be impressed into service. Other wealthy persons have escaped in female attire or are hid in the foreign consulates. Luc Caco rebels manifest no desire for bloodshed; they disappear for a while and then suddenly fall on the troops of the tyrant Salnave. All communication between Cape Haytien and Port au Prince is cut off. The blacks had Gen. Salomon, who is expected from England in April; the mulattoes are alarmed regarding the fate of the exiled delegations; others proclaim in favor of Gen. Faubert. Salnave limits the term of his office to four years and promises to abolish the death penalty for any political offence, also to allow no more French clergy. Two of the latter have been induced to go out of the country. The Haytien government offers the use of a steamer to lay the International Cable that is to touch that island. It guarantees the company a dividend on the stock, amounting to 12 per cent.

New York, March 19th.—Tribune special says the President has telegraphed L. P. Sweet, one of the Lincoln electors of Illinois, to act as one of his counsel.

A train on the Long Island railroad was yesterday thrown from the track near Woodside, and smashed to pieces. There were about 200 passengers on the train. A newsboy was killed and a number of others injured.

Attachments were issued by Judge Barnard, yesterday, against James Fisk, J. Henry Thompson, John S. Eldridge and Jay Gould, Directors of the Erie Railroad. They were all made returnable at 10 a.m. on Monday next. J. Bancroft, Davis appeared punctually and was discharged upon giving bail for his appearance.

## Arthur Election.

The election of Beave for the township of Arthur took place on the 19th instant. The roads were almost impassable, and one-half the votes in the township were not polled. The following is the state of the poll, as officially announced at the close—

North Div.	South do.	Total	
Stevens	98	81	179
Clarke	83	82	114

Majority for Stevens, 65  
We have learned further that Mr. Stevens's majority would have been very heavy had it not been for the condition of the roads, and the heavy rain on Thursday. Most of his supporters had a considerable distance to travel to a polling place; teams could not get through, and the electors who walked were completely drenched. Mr. Clarke's strength, on the other hand, lay in and around the village of Arthur, where the roads were comparatively good, and teams at command, which accounts for his running so well in the South Division.

The legislature of Maine, at its last session, incorporated twenty-four companies to carry on various industrial enterprises, with an aggregate capital of

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### AGAIN POSTPONED.

And so, if we are to credit the latest item of intelligence concerning Reform for Ireland which has been transmitted to us by the cable, the whole question has been laid over till next Parliament. All the debate, all the investigations, into Irish grievances, all the remedies proposed, and all the cures rejected, all the fuss and furor, and declarations of willingness to do what was right, if what was right could only be determinately fixed, have eventuated in a flash in the pan, and no more. So it has been for years, and the present action of the House of Commons is very far from assuring the Irish people or the world, that it shall not be so for a long time to come. Wrongs are acknowledged, but they are unredressed, and between four and five millions of people are left to groan in poverty all of which they have not brought on themselves how thrifless soever many of them may be. To calm the troubles which agitate Ireland is no easy task, to settle the inveterate feud between landlord and tenant, and to reduce Church matters to a footing of equity are works rather difficult of accomplishment, but it is as plain as possible that the relations of many of the landholders with the land owners is wrong, that the relations between the great majority of the people and the Church establishment is wrong, and, to them grievous; and it is also plain that it is the duty of the Government to right a people's wrongs no matter what trouble it may cost to do so. Why should Ireland's demands for justice be evaded, and the less pressing question of English representation, and extension of the franchise be taken up with energy, and fought through, while the Tories yielded the prejudices which had been bequeathed them by their ancestors, and which they had long maintained, being driven from their entrenchments by the popular demand. We do not object to what was done for England; but we say that England's requirements at that time compared with Ireland's then, for years before, and at the present moment were as the imaginary in anything is to the real. If the English House of Commons cannot legislate for Irishmen, if they cannot ameliorate their condition in their own country, why do they not send them to another? They can well afford to pay the passages of a million or two of the disaffected who would be willing to emigrate to some of the colonies where there are no landlords, and no church rates, and give them some something handsome to start upon.

### Latest From Ottawa.

Despatches from Ottawa state the discussion on Mr. Connell's motion for a committee to consider the expenditure of the House showed a bitter tone than has been before exhibited in this Parliament. The Government were fairly alarmed, and made all sorts of promises if the motion were only withdrawn. The public Accounts Committee has done nothing yet. The public expenditures for the past few years have undergone no examination at all for two or three years. There are several matters that this committee ought to sift; but like the Contingencies Committee, the Public Accounts Committee is neglecting its duties. Mr. John Ross's candidature for the vacant seat in the cabinet is not favourably received. There are four Ministers already in the Senate, none of them of heavy calibre; but that number ought to be a sufficient representation of the Government in the Senate. If Sir John keeps up his cabinet to the number of 13, he will have a storm about his ears before long. There is not a decent pretext for 13 Ministers under the new constitution. Messrs. Howland and Tilly have been absent from the House for some days. The intrigues in the cabinet continue to furnish the chief subject of conversation.

Ten Nova Scotia members are now here, and only three New Brunswick members are absent.

**A NEW CARDINAL**—A number of Cardinals have lately been appointed by the Pope, and among them is Prince Lucian Bonaparte, the grandson of the first Napoleon's brother of the same name. The Prince enjoys the reputation of being an uncompromising champion of the strictest traditions of the Holy See. For many centuries it has been, if not an explicit law, at least the habit not to elect a member of a sovereign house Pope; but public opinion in Europe ascribes to Louis Napoleon the intention of using his influence at one of the future vacancies of the Holy See for the promotion of his cousin to the highest honor in the church.

The lightning on Monday shivered some of the timbers of the bridge that crosses the river on the Dundas Road but no material damage was done.

The following estimate of the daily earnings of the Great Western Railway appears in *Herepath's Journal* of the 29th ult. Although the estimate shows a most favorable state of things for the bond and share holders, yet we believe it is below the mark. We believe that with its third rail, and under its present excellent and judicious management, the road, will in another year or two, even allowing for heavy loss by exchange, pay a dividend of 6 per cent:

Total traffic.....	£400,000
Add rents, &c.....	1,112
Balance from half year.....	1,681
£402,792	
Working expenses, renewals, &c., 47 1/2 p.c.	£190,000
Loss by conversion, exchange, &c.....	75,000
Interest on government loan.....	17,500
Ditto on bonds.....	34,600
Proportion Detroit fire claim.....	4,000
Depreciation fund for steamers, and proportion of worn-out steamer Transit.....	4,500
Loss on working Erie & Niagara Railway	1,000
Compensation of Woodstock accident, &c.....	1,650-838,840
£74,453	
Dividend 4 per cent. free of income tax.....	70,726
£3,727	

**EMIGRATION.**—The Government emigration officers at Liverpool have completed the emigration returns for the Mersey for the year ending Dec. 31st, and a glance over the figures shows that the Irish element still prevails both as regards the U. States, Canada, South America and Australia. The exodus though not so great as last year, from the Mersey, is accounted for by the fact that several additional steamships now call regularly at Queenstown, and emigrants who formerly embarked at Liverpool go on board at Queenstown, and therefore save expense and escape the discomfort of a channel passage. When compared with former years, says an English paper, it is a remarkable fact that the Irish were far better clothed and provided for than either the English or foreigners. Probably remittances from the new help to cover the wants of those in the old world. There was a falling off of 1,410 in January, as compared with the same month in the previous year, and the emigration in 561 ships was 115,681—a decrease of 7,702 since 1866.

**THE PROSPECT IN THE WEST.**—Gentlemen engaged largely in business in Chicago and other western cities, represent that the west has not been affected by the want, destitution and suffering which have been felt so extensively and so severely in the Atlantic States. They also speak most hopefully of the spring trade. Not for many years has there been so bright a prospect of a very large profitable spring and summer business as at the present moment.

Disraeli's ancestry is the subject of comment in the London journals; and the theme of fashionable gossip in the aristocratic clubs is the probability of his being raised to the peerage. The *Herald* has taken up the cudgels on this side of the Atlantic for the present Premier of England, and contends that his ancestry is higher and older than the proudest Norman of them all—than Plantagenet or Tudor, or even than that of Queen Victoria herself. The *Herald*, in tracing up the ancestral tree, went nearly as far back as those pomatious times when Adam delved and Eve span. The late Daniel O'Connell, long since settled this moot question. In a sharp personal encounter between them in the English House of Commons, the great agitator declared that Benjamin Disraeli was a lineal descendant of the impenitent thief.

**ROCKWOOD LITERARY SOCIETY.**—This Society was re-organized about six weeks ago, and an efficient and energetic staff of officers elected. The objects of the Society are: First, the diffusion of useful knowledge by means of lectures and essays; and second, the maintaining of a reading room in which may be found the best current literature of the day. The first lecture in connection with the society was delivered a short time ago by Mr. McCaig. The subject was "The Rise and Progress of English Literature"; and it was treated in a very able manner by the lecturer. On Tuesday night last Dr. Perkins lectured on "The Follies of Physic" to a large and interested audience. Other lectures have been promised in the course of the next month. A large addition to the number of members is anticipated in a short time. The admission fee is \$1, and each member is required to pay ten cents each month.

The *New York Sun*, poking fun at the grandiloquent descriptions of the reporters, says the gorilla at Barnum's was strangely neglected during the late fire. The *Tribune* reporter, it is said, saw the animal carry the Fat Woman out safely and then run up a column of fire. After standing at the top a few moments in grim defiance, he leaped down the throat of a roaring lion, and caused the animal's death by suffocation.

The *Cornwall Freeholder* understands that an American gentleman has leased from Randall Macdonald (Gerrish) his large and fertile farm, near St. Andrews; and it is the intention of this gentleman to erect upon Mr. Macdonald's farm, a Cheese Factory, and carry on the Dairy business, for which it is admirably adapted.

All the types of the United States on Friday last set a thousand ems each towards raising a monument to the memory of Artemus Ward, who once worked at the 'case.'

**BIRTHS.**  
PALMER—At Guelph, on the 18th inst, the wife of George Palmer, Esq., of a daughter.

**MARRIAGES.**  
CALDWELL—ROUSE—At Guelph, on the 18th inst, by the Rev. John Hogg, Mr. James Caldwell, to Miss Eliza Rouse, both of Guelph.

### Board Wanted.

By a married couple in a private family where no other Boarders are kept. Address C. C. A. Mercury Office, Guelph, March 19th, 1868. 42t

### WANTED

By a young man from the Old Country a situation as Corresponding Clerk, or Book-keeper. Salary not so much an object as immediate employment. Has been 10 years in a Wholesale business in England. Address—W. F. Mercury Office, Guelph. Guelph, March 17, 1868. 42t

### Newsboys Wanted.

TO SELL the "Evening Mercury" Boys selling at present after school hours are making on an average \$1.50 per week. Apply at the office. Guelph, March 10th, 1868. 42t

### School Teacher Wanted.

WANTED for School Section No. 1, Township of Erin, a 1st class male teacher, to commence immediately. ALEX. SCOTT, DONALD McKECHNIE, MALCOLM McLACHLAN, Erin, 9th March, 1868. 42w Trustees.

### Grand Complimentary Benefit

Grand Complimentary Benefit to

### MASON'S DRAMATIC CO'Y

BY THE

### Guelph Dramatic Association.

This Thursday Evg, Mar. 19,

When the highly popular play of

### Don Caesar de Bazan

Will be produced, to be followed by the roaring Farce of

### THE HAPPY MAN

In which pieces the leading members of both Companies will appear.

### Grand Army Dance, Mr. H. Lampee.

### The 30 BATTALION BAND

Will be present by kind permission of COLONEL HIGINBOTHAM, and will play some of their favourite airs.

Price of Admission, 25 Cents. Doors open at 7 o'clock. Performance to commence at 8. Guelph, March 19, 1868.

### INDIA AND CHINA

### TEA COMPANY

A LARGE SUPPLY

OF THIS

### CELEBRATED TEA

FOR FAMILY USE.

Just received at the

### MEDICAL HALL.

N. HIGINBOTHAM,

Sole Agent for Guelph.

Guelph, 19th March, 1868. 42w

### R. J. JEANNERET,

From England,

(Established in London, Ont., 1842, and in Guelph 1863.)

### WORKING WATCHMAKER

AND JEWELER,

DAYS BLOCK,

Opposite the Market, Guelph.

FOR sale cheap, SETH THOMAS' CLOCKS, by the best maker in America. Also, Periscope Tinted SPECTACLES. Guelph, 19th March, 1868. 42w

### NOTICE.

HAVING sold my stock at "Bradford House" and book-accounts to Mr. Phillip Bish, all parties indebted to me on book account will pay the amount to Mr. Bish. GEORGE JEFFERY, Guelph, 5th March, 1867.

WITH reference to the above, I have much pleasure in stating that I have purchased the whole stock in trade, also the book accounts, &c., of Mr. Geo. Jeffery. The business will be carried on as formerly in all its branches, trusting for a continuance of that patronage which was so liberally bestowed on my predecessor. For further particulars see future advertisement. P. BISH, Guelph, March 5th, 1868. 42w

### PLATT & CO'S

WORLD RENOWNED

### OYSTERS

Received daily by Express. Wholesale and Retail.

GEORGE WILKINSON.

Next door to Telegraph and Exp. Office. Guelph, Jan. 7, 1868.

### Wool, Hide and Leather

DEPOT.

No. 4, Day's Old Block, Gordon Street. Guelph, July 31, 1866. 42w D. MOLTON

## PARTNERSHIP NOTICE!

THE undersigned have entered into Co-partnership under the firm of BUCHANAN & CO., Hamilton, Ontario, and of PETER BUCHANAN & CO., Glasgow, Scotland.

ISAAC BUCHANAN, ANDREW BINNY, PETER T. BUCHANAN.

Hamilton, Ontario, February, 1868.

## 1868. SPRING IMPORTATIONS. 1868.

THE Subscribers have received and are NOW OPENING a portion of their

## SPRING IMPORTATIONS

—OF—

BRITISH AND FOREIGN

## DRY GOODS,

And will have an excellent assortment opened out by the 25th inst., as also of Canadian and American Manufactures.

## BUCHANAN & COMPANY.

Hamilton, 19th March, 1868. 42w

## The Cheapest Spot in Guelph

FOR EVERY DESCRIPTION OF

## CLOTHS, CLOTHING

HATS AND CAPS,

IS AT THE

## THE GUELPH CLOTH HALL

A. THOMSON & CO.

Guelph, March 17, 1868. 42w

## 1868. SPRING GOODS. 1868.

## A. O. BUCHAM

OPENED on Saturday the following New Spring Goods:

New 36-inch Grey Cottons,

New 32 and 36-inch White Cottons,

New 30-inch Cotton Tickings,

New Lilac, Madder and White Ground Prints.

Also, a small selection of

## New Spring Dress Goods,

And a few pieces of Superior CANADA TWEEDS, suitable for Spring Wear.

Guelph, March 17, 1868. 42w

## A. O. BUCHAM.

## NEW ARRIVALS

AT THE FRUIT DEPOT.

1868.  1868.

FINNAN HADDIES, FRESH HADDOCK,

YARMOUTH BLOATERS, FRESH COD.

FRESH OYSTERS.

At a great reduction from regular prices. FOR CASH ONLY.

HUGH WALKER,

Wholesale and Retail Fruit and Oyster dealer, Wyndham-St., Guelph.

Guelph, March 17, 1868. 42w

## Commercial Union Assurance Company,

CHIEF OFFICES—19 AND 20 CORNHILL, LONDON, ENGLAND.

CAPITAL £2,500,000.

Fire Department.

THE success which has attended the Company's operations has been such as fully to realize the most sanguine expectations of the Directors, who have resolved to extend the business more widely, and now offer to the Canadian Public PERFECT SECURITY guaranteed by large subscribed capital and Invested Funds.

PROMPT SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS. The Directors and General Agents, being gentlemen largely engaged in commerce, will take a liberal and business like view of all questions coming before them.

Life Department.

Volunteers assured in this Company, are permitted, without extra charge, to do duty on the Frontier, and to engage in repelling marauding attacks.

Eighty per cent of the Profits of the Whole Life and Annuity business are divided among participating Policy Holders.

Claims are paid one month after Proof of Death.

By a recent Act of Parliament a Wife can now hold a Policy on the life of her Husband free from all other claims.

MORLAND, WATSON & Co., General Agents for Canada. OFFICE—85 and 87 St. Paul St., Montreal.

FREDERICK COLE, Secretary. Inspector of Agencies—T. C. LIVINGSTON, P.L.S., Upper Canada.

MCLAGAN & INNES, Agents for Guelph.

Guelph, March 10th, 1867

## Good Gracious Me!

Where did you get those delicious OYSTERS?

Why, at BERRY'S to be Sure!

WHOS BERRY? WHY,

The Confectioner on Wyndham-st

WHERE ALL THE GOOD THINGS ARE KEPT.

Guelph, 11th February, 1868. 42w

## ABERNETHY,

SODA, LEMON, WINE, ARROWROOT, CINGER NUTS, CABIN, &c.

## LONDON LAYER RAISINS

Jordan Almonds, Keller's Dundee Marmalade, Finest Turkey Figs in layers, Peaches, Green Gages, Plums, Cherries, Damsons and French Plums.

AT JOHN A. WOOD'S.

Guelph, March 9th, 1868. 42w

## Not Run Away Yet!

THE Subscriber begs to inform his old friends and the Public, that though several noted characters have lately been constrained to leave Guelph for the sake of their health, he is still hale and hearty, and hangs out his shingle as the old spot.

## CORK STREET,

OPPOSITE

## DEADY'S HOTEL,

Where he is prepared as formerly to make up CLOTHING of every description at short notice and in a superior style.

## To Farmers!

Having had 30 years experience, and devoting all his time to the business, he can make up

## Home-made CLOTH!

And trim it CHEAPER than can be done at any other Establishment in Town.

All Work carefully finished, and at Moderate Rates.

WM. MITCHELL, Guelph, Feb. 21, 1868. 42w-66w

## REMOVAL.

STEPHEN BOULT, Architect and Builder,

Has Removed his Workshop and Planing Factory to QUEBEC STREET, (site of the old Congregational Church,) a short distance east of Wyndham Street.

## Plans, Specifications & Estimates,

Supplied, and work superintended in all the branches.

STEPHEN BOULT having succeeded to the old established Lumber Yard of Thos. McCree, Esq., begs a continuance of public patronage. All kinds of Lumber on hand. Prompt attention given to all orders.

## Planing Done to Order,

AND ALL KINDS OF Mouldings, Sashes, Doors, Blinds, and Machine Joiners' Work. Executed with dispatch and kept always on hand. Cash paid for all kinds of Lumber at the yard.

Guelph, March 10th, 1868. 42w

## TAVERN LICENSES

Office of the Clerk of the Peace, Guelph, 7th March, 1868.

COUNTY OF WELLINGTON, HAVING been appointed issuer of Tavern Licenses for the County of Wellington, I beg leave to inform all Tavernkeepers in Townships, Towns and Villages, that I am ready to grant them their Licenses on payment for the same.

By order of the Treasury Department of Ontario THOMAS SAUNDERS, Distributor for the County of Wellington. Guelph, 7th March, 1868. 42w-4

## Medical Dispensary

JUST RECEIVED

A fresh supply of that best

## COAL OIL.

Perfectly colorless and

## FREE FROM SMELL.

Only 15 cts. per Gallon.

## LAMP GLASSES and WICKS

Always on hand

## E. HARVEY

Chemist and Druggist,

Opposite the English Church, Wyndham-st., Guelph, Ontario.

Guelph, 22nd Feb, 1868. 42w

## NORWOOD;

BY

## HENRY WARD BEECHER.

A LARGE SUPPLY

## At Day's Bookstore,

Opposite the Market, Guelph.

Guelph, March 14, 1868. 42w 1f

## DOMINION HOTEL

GEORGE BLACK

BEGS to inform his friends and the public that he has opened the above Hotel, in the BRICK HOUSE, MACDONNELL-ST.

A few doors above Higinbotham's Drug Store and immediately opposite Messrs. Sharpe's See & Store. There is a good stable attached to the house, with good and commodious stabling. Every attention will be paid to customers in order to secure their comfort and convenience.

Guelph, March 6, 1868. 42w 3m

OFFICE: MACDONNELL STREET.  
THURSDAY EV'G, MARCH 19, 1868.

### The Maiden's Choice

OR, THE LAIRD OF BIRKENLEUCH.  
A Tale of the Covenanters.

She knew she was safe now, even though pursued from Birkenleuch should come upon her, for in the dog she had a faithful and invincible defender, who would tear in pieces any one who dared to attack her. With this protector by her side, she proceeded to the summer-house, and, patting him on the head, told him to "wait," whereupon Lion wagged his tail with proud acceptance of the charge, and stretched himself just within the entrance, ready to spring upon the first intruder.

Helen laid herself down upon the seat in the inner corner to rest and think. After the terrible mental and physical strain she had endured, repose was what she sadly needed, and now that all danger of capture was over, the energy which fear had kept at work during her flight fell away with the necessity of its continuance, and she felt utterly wearied, exhausted, and prostrated. Every limb ached and quivered, her breast heaved, and she gave a convulsive heave, a rushing noise sounded in her ears, and her hot temples throbbled with fearful violence.

Yet the thoughts that crept into her soul as she lay there so still and so helpless, her constant to bear the pain of such a violent disturbance of her organization, for these thoughts were glad and inspiring. She had received good news for herself, and brought good news to those she loved at Brankwood. The dark cloud which had been so foully made to rest upon her mother's name and memory was dispelled. She was now happy in the thought that she was not the daughter of a man who had been so long as James Cringan, but happier still in the feeling that the barrier between her and Richard Wayland was removed; for, oh, it was delicious to feel that her conduct towards Richard could now be explained, and his hard thoughts, and the hard thoughts of others, which had been so difficult to bear, dissipated. Then what happy tidings she brought to Sir Gilbert—tidings which gave to him a son of whom he could be proud and of whom he could worthily lavish a father's fondest affection.

Filled by these joyous thoughts, Helen lay for some time supremely happy, and at length the angel of sleep came to her, and she lay with his gentle touch the sense of the weary girl into the region of forgetfulness.

CHAPTER XXI.—AN EXCITING INTERVIEW BETWEEN HELEN CRINGAN AND SIR GILBERT BARTON.

Helen was awake by the deep, hoarse growling of Lion, and, looking up, she saw him standing sentinel in the door of the summer-house, respectfully but firmly disputing the entrance of some one outside. He was wagging his tail, in friendly recognition of the intruder, but his attitude plainly declared that no admittance was to be had. "Puddin's and paniches, this bates a'," was the exclamation that reached Helen's ears, uttered in an astonished tone by Sir Gilbert Barton, and looking forth she saw the Baronet standing a few paces from the entrance, regarding the conduct of his watch-dog with amazement.

The sight of Helen's face looming through the darkness of the interior produced an accession of wonder, and, as she sat up, she was astonished to see her unfeeling exclamation, "Oddsake! Puddin's and paniches!"

"Down, Lion, down," said Helen, authoritatively, and this command was all that was needed to make Lion relinquish his haughty attitude, and bound forward to greet his master in a way meant to show that nothing but faithfulness to his charge had caused him to manifest that bold rebellion which he so amazed his master.

"It's me, Sir Gilbert," said Helen. "I charged him to watch, and having fallen asleep the noble fellow has proved so faithful as to act even against you."

"Helen Cringan," said Sir Gilbert, "I cried the Baronet, who took several doubting moments to recognise her. 'Puddin's and paniches! lassie, what are ye doin' there?'"

"I quitted Birkenleuch last night," she answered, "and as it was long past midnight when I reached here I did not venture to disturb the house."

"Oh ho! you and Charlie ha'e quarrelled already. I looked for that, but I didn't think you'd just think it wud happen on the waddin' night. Weel, what d'ye think o' yer conduct now? Oh, Helen, woman, I wadna ha' believed ye capable o' bewain' sae ill."

"Forbear, Sir Gilbert," returned Helen with a wan smile. "I know I must look despicable in your eyes, but if you knew all you would pity rather than blame me."

"I canna pity ye lassie!—I canna pity ye!" broke out the Baronet, in a tone of severe disapprobation. "Ye behaviour the pair Ritchie was scandalous. Ye cheated him, and forewore yerseel, a' for the vanity o' bein' the wife o' Charlie Allan. Ye couldna expect sic behaviour o' right, ye wadna be laith cauld and hungry. The housekeeper wud gie ye a warm breakfast, and pit ye into yer ain bed; but maybe ye'll no be aloo'd tae lie in it lang, for nee doot the vagabond wud jouse that ye ha'e cooned here, and wud soon be at Brankwood tae claim ye. And wif him ye'll ha'e tae gang, lassie, for he's yer master, and yesterday, ye ken, ye swore in the kirk tae obey him."

Helen made several efforts to interrupt Sir Gilbert, but he would not permit her to get in a word. He was too angry—too thoroughly displeased by the despicable conduct he attributed to her to listen to what he supposed was to be the truth in her name. In a rapid tone therefore, he kept speaking till he had uttered all the above, and then he turned as if to go.

"Oh do not go, Sir Gilbert!" she exclaimed, advancing from the summer-house, and earnestly addressing him. "You have misjudged me all along—you misapprehend the state of matters now. I am not the mean miserable thing you take me for. I have been terribly deceived, and when the truth is shown, you will not blame my conduct—at least, my conduct to Richard Wayland."

TO BE CONTINUED.

A boy in Montgomery, Ala. shot a snake with an arrow, instantly killing it. Subsequently, another lad stood behind a tree, and exposing his head, challenged the archer, playfully, to shoot at the target. The boy did so, and with the same arrow that had pierced the snake. The lad was slightly wounded. Communicating a poison from the snake. In a few hours the hand and arm began to swell. The lad lingered in terrible agony three days when he died.

The number of small traders in England who amass considerable savings is astonishingly large. A recent statement shows that there are bootblacks having £10,000; stable keepers, \$60,000 candy women, £5,000; retail butchers, £30,000; small grocers, £10,000 to £20,000 each. All these people generally invest in the Funds, and these savings furnish a large portion of the national debt. And what may seem remarkable is, these people generally do not increase their expenses of living as they accumulate. They grub on, save on, to the last.

Lady physicians are gradually making their way into favor, if we may judge by their profits. It is reported that in Philadelphia six lady physicians return incomes ranging from \$2000 to \$10,000 a year. In Orange, New Jersey, there is another, whose annual income ranges between \$10,000 and \$15,000. In New York city there is one whose income is rarely less than \$20,000 a year. Some of these lady physicians are successful surgeons as well as capital medical practitioners.

NO. 2,  
Day's Block, . . Guelph.

### Fresh Codfish.

Fresh Haddocks.

Sea Herrings.

Finnan Haddies.

Yarmouth Bloaters.

JUST ARRIVED.

E. CARROLL & CO.,

No. 2, Wyndham Street.

Guelph, 5th February, 1868. dw

### TO FARMERS.

NOW IS THE TIME TO USE

FRENCH'S

Condition Powders!

If you wish to get your Horse in good order for summer work.

They are the best medicine known for removing all Impurities of the Blood, and producing a Sleek and Glossy Coat, and they have a peculiarly good effect in Cleansing the Skin. As a Diuretic Medicine they will be found superior to any other Powder made.

PREPARED BY

A. B. PETRIE

Chemist and Druggist,

Market Square, Guelph,

Guelph, 11th March, 1868 dw

### New Saddlery Shop

Do you want a set of Harness, double or single light or heavy, call at the new shop, next door to Coffee's Hotel.

Do you want a good Saddle? We can supply you cheaper than ever, 15 yards from O'Connor's Wellington Hotel.

Every body in want of a good Trunk, Valise, or Travelling Bag, can be supplied at the new shop, two doors from the Post Office.

### WHIPS, Horse Covers, Sleigh Belts

A very large and well-assorted stock of Whips will be sold at 25c. on the dollar, or our former prices, 50 yards north of St. George's Church.

We have a few pairs of imported made up Horse Covers, made to order, also a nice lot of common blankets.

What is more cheering than the merry Sleigh Bells? We can supply you. Call at the new shop, next door to Mr. Hoover's Livery Office.

We have on hand all kinds of articles, and will make up for the shortest notice anything you want in the Saddlery line, a few doors South of the Registry Office.

Brushes, Combs, Spurs, Bits, in endless variety. REPAIRING done as usual.

SMITH & METCALF, Late occupiers of the premises destroyed by fire, adjoining the Alma Hotel. Guelph, 26th December, 1867. dwf.

### DOMINION SALOON,

(LATE GRAND'S SHADES SALOON.)

OPPOSITE THE MARKET, GUELPH.

CHOICE LIQUORS, Cigars, Oysters, &c., &c., always on hand. Meals furnished at all Hours.

DENIS BUNYAN, Guelph, December 2, 1867. dawly

### REMOVAL.

Mrs HUNTER

HAS REMOVED

HER Berlin Wool and Fancy Goods Store to the premises lately occupied by

MR. JAS. CORMACK

Wyndham Street, next door to Harvey's Drug Store, and opposite the English Church.

Guelph, Feb. 16 1868 dwf

### Division Court Sittings.

COUNTY OF WELLINGTON.

THE Division Courts for the County of Wellington, will be held as follows:—

Orangeville.....	Feb. 4, April 14, June 30, 1868
Erin.....	5 15 July 3 "
Guelph.....	7 17 "
Elora.....	18 28 21 "
Arthur.....	19 29 22 "
Mount Forest.....	28 30 23 "
Pergus.....	21 May 1 24 "
Rockwood.....	25 12 Aug. 4 "
Fuslinch.....	26 13 25 "
Drayton.....	28 18 "
Harrison.....	4 27 19 "
Glenallan.....	5 28 20 "

By order, ALFRED A. BAKER, Clerk No.

### STORE for SALE

In the Village of Stirton.

A GOOD STORE for general business, with commodious Dwelling House attached, and Stable in rear. Also, a BLACKSMITH SHOP with two forges. The shop is 120 x 36 feet, connected with this shop is a good Dwelling House. The buildings are all of frame, and put up within the last three years. These two properties will be sold together or separately for Cash or on Credit. The Post Office is kept on the premises. For terms apply to

LEMON & PETERSON, Guelph or to JOHN LUXSON, Proprietor, Stirton P. O. Guelph, August 29 1867

Home Depot at London and Liverpool. Canada Depot, 23 Hospital Street, Montreal.

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 produce of some of the best 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 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 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 flat and rapid article usually sold as Black Tea; while their Green Teas are altogether free from the deleterious mineral powder so commonly used for coloring the leaf.

PRICES: Rich, full-flavoured Tea, for family use a real gem and in fine quality 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. All packages have the public Teas' trade-mark, without which none are genuine.

MR. N. HIGINBOTHAM, Agent, Guelph, August 3, 1867

### Funerals, Funerals!

NATHAN TOVELL has to intimate that he is prepared to attend funerals as usual Coffins always on hand. Hearse to hire.

His Store, 27th August, 1867. All kinds of lumber, sashes, doors, blinds, mouldings, &c. He solicits a share of public patronage.

### Dominion Store!

JUST RECEIVED, a large assortment of Em J. Brodley for Ladies Underclothing. Also for Braiding on all sorts of Dress Goods.

Some of the Finest Patterns ever seen. Call and see them, they are for sale singly. Stamping done to order on the shortest notice. Also on hand an assortment of

### New Oranges and Lemons.

For sale GATE'S & CO'S VICTORIA SEWING MACHINE. Don't forget the stand, next to the Wellington Hotel.

MRS. ROBINSON, Upper Wyndham Street, Guelph, Guelph, Feb. 19th, 1868. daw

### THE BARCLAY SEWING MACHINE.

WITHOUT any exception, the Barclay Sewing Machine, manufactured by the British American Sewing Machine Company,

### AT PARIS, ONTARIO,

is the best in the Dominion of Canada for general purposes. An examination is merely requested, which will be to the advantage of those intending to purchase. All machines warranted.

Also, agent for the D2 LTON KNI JEM MA-CHINES, one of the best machines in the market. Apply to

MOSES BECHTEL, General Agent for the County of Wellington, 11th Post Office.

Agent for Guelph: MRS. HUNTER, Fancy Store, Market Square.

Guelph, Jan. 22, 1868. dw

### CHEAP Photographs

W. BURGESS

BEG leave to inform his friends and the public of Guelph and surrounding country that having received a large lot of FRAMES suitable for

### Christmas Presents,

he will through the HOLIDAYS furnish all kinds of Photographs at greatly

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The very best of Oysters, and choice Cigars will be kept.

The Rooms are under the superintendence of Mr. E. McCruden, whose courteous attention, as well as his thorough knowledge of the business, will insure satisfaction in all cases.

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FOR SALE IN PUSLINCH.

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### REMOVAL!

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BEGS to notify his friends and the public that he has removed to

### THE SPLENDID NEW STORE

Next the Hardware Store of JOHN HORMAN, ESQ.

On hand, a large Stock of first-class

### READY-MADE CLOTHING,

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G. & A. HADDEN.

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### SEASONABLE DRY GOODS!

Comprising a full assortment of every description of Goods suitable for the Fall and Winter Trade. No old, moth eaten bankrupt stock, but all Fresh New Goods, which they are determined to sell off at such a reduction in price as cannot fail to give entire satisfaction to the purchasers.

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THE REMEDY FOR CURING

Consumption, Coughs, Bronchitis, Asthma, Croup, Diseases of the Throat

Pains and Oppression of the Chest or Lungs, Difficult Breathing, and all the Diseases of the Pulmonary Organs.

THIS Balsam is introduced to the suffering public after its merits for the positive cure of such Diseases have been fully tested. The formula from which it is prepared is referred to by the leading medical journals as being equal to any prescription that can be made up for such diseases by the medical faculty. The Balsam is, consequently, recommended by physicians who have become acquainted with its great success.

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Dr. Nathaniel Harris, for many years a resident of Middlebury, Vermont, recommends the Balsam as being superior to all other remedies for Bronchitis. He says:—"I have no doubt it will soon become a classical remedial agent for the cure of all diseases of the Throat, Bronchial Tubes and Lungs."

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Physicians who have failed to cure their patients should try this medicine before they give up. We know very many valuable lives have been saved by being persuaded to give it a trial.

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R. TROTTER, W. K. GRAHAM, Guelph, 2nd August, 1867. (dw-1v)

THE SPRING TRADE.

Advertisers will reach a large class of readers by inserting their business announcements in this paper.

The County of Hastings has added to its by-laws an amendment which makes it unlawful to sell any intoxicating liquor to any one under sixteen years of age.

FRESH IN THE SAGINAW.—The ice in the Saginaw river has broken up and gone out. Considerable damage has been done to the wharves and booms.

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COMMERCIAL.

Table with columns for various commodities like Flour, Wheat, Oats, Peas, Barley, Hay, Straw, etc., and their prices.

Money Market.

JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE. Guelph, March 19, 1868. Gold, 158 1/2. Greenbacks 77 to 78 1/2.

MONTREAL MARKET.

Kirkwood, Livingston & Co's report by Special Telegraph to 'Evening Mercury'. MONTREAL, March 16, 1868.

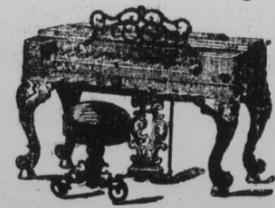
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JUST RECEIVED, A SUPPLY OF

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Salmon Trout and Herring!

Also, 70 half Barrels Salmon Trout, 70 half Barrels Lake Huron Herring, 50 Barrels Prime Labrador Herring. Two cases of Finnan Haddies just arrived.

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