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Evening Mercury. TUESDAY EVENING, JAN. 12TH, 1869.

Local and Miscellaneous

DR. HOWITT'S LECTURE.—The public will remember that Dr. Howitt gives the third lecture in the course on Chemistry this evening in the Town Hall. To commence at 8 o'clock.

SAVED.—We are happy to learn by the despatch on Monday that 30 of the passengers and crew of the unfortunate steamer *Hibernia* have been picked up by the *Celan Spray* and will be landed at Madras.

The funeral of the late Pat Doody of Montreal, who was detained for a time on a charge of Fenianism, took place on Wednesday, when the sympathizers turned out in large numbers.

SOUTH WARD.—At a meeting of some of the ratepayers of this ward last night, held in the schoolhouse, Mr. David Kennedy was nominated as a candidate for the office of school trustee.

ACCIDENT.—A son of Mr. Hadden, Insurance Agent, in the employ of Mr. G. B. Fraser, dry goods merchant of this town, fell from a horse yesterday and broke his arm, besides otherwise injuring himself. Dr. Truck attended to the case and set the broken limb.

BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES.—We are requested to state that Mr. John Watson will be again a candidate for School Trustee for the South Ward. Mr. Watson has always shown a great interest in the success of our schools, and deserves to be re-elected.

THE TOWNSEND FAMILY.—Our readers will doubtless be gratified to learn that this favourite theatrical troupe will pay Guelph a third visit about the beginning of February, when a grand array of talent will be exhibited. The troupe are at present at Hamilton, where we learn their performances have been nightly greeted with large and appreciative audiences.

GORE BANK.—The Gore Bank at the next session of the Dominion Parliament for an act to amend its charter by reducing the shares of capital stock now fully paid up from \$10 to \$25 each, and by increasing the number of shares requisite for the qualification of its directors, who are to be reduced to five new shares to an amount which, together with the amount of share capital now issued when so reduced will make the capital of the bank amount to one million dollars, and by changing the time now fixed for holding the annual meeting of the shareholders.

APOPLETTIC FIT.—As the funeral of the late David Armstrong was passing the railway crossing, a farmer named Peter Wright, of Nichol, suddenly fell forward on the hard gravel near the cattle guard, where he remained quite unconscious for a few moments. Several gentlemen standing near hastened to his assistance, and sent for Doctor Howitt. Being removed to the Commercial Hotel, he soon revived, and was enabled to collect his scattered senses. The doctor pronounced it to have been an attack of apoplexy. Mr. Wright stated that he had never had a similar fit before, and was under the supposition that he had stumbled and fell. His face was slightly bruised by the fall.

THE GUELPH WEEKLY MERCURY will be published to-morrow, Wednesday evening. Advertisements should reach the office not later than 10 a.m., in order to secure insertion. The opening chapters of the new tale "Jeannie Sinclair," besides all the local news of the week, foreign and miscellaneous items will appear in it. The unprecedented success of the WEEKLY MERCURY, its unrivalled circulation, its standing and position, the eagerness with which it is enquired for, places it ahead of all its rivals. During the present winter, close upon 27,000 new subscribers have been added to our previous large list. By a fair calculation it is estimated that the WEEKLY MERCURY is read, by at least TWENTY THOUSAND (20,000) READERS Weekly. Hence its great value as an advertising medium.

PARLIAMENTARY SKETCHES.—A correspondent of the *Peterborough Courier* paid a visit to the House of Assembly there, and gives a sketch of the appearance and manners of some of the more prominent members. Mr. Tom Ferguson is described as a "coarse, ugly, ignorant-looking man"; the Premier as a "sharp, thin-faced, worn-out looking man"; and Mr. Kelly as a "tall, good-looking, gentlemanly person, of good address, and an excellent style of speaking." Boyd is said to "affect the airs of an orator to a considerable degree, and spreads himself out in an inflated sort of way that looks ridiculous in a sensible man."

JUVENILE DEPRIVITY.—To the Editor of the *Evening Mercury*.—One of the many urchins who importune all and sundry to purchase a certain sheet, which, according to its own statement, is unrivalled for its adhesion to sterling principles and consistency in all its twenty-four year's utterances, one evening lately finding the sales to be exceedingly small, charges one copper. Taking advantage of the darkness of night, and aware that the McDonnell Street organ was always in demand, although the essence of staidity and everything mean and contemptible, he made no allusion to "selling under cost," but changing the name of his merchandise to "Advertiser" to "Mercury," disposed of his entire stock, to the chagrin of his dupes, and the replenishing of his coffers. This precocious youth may be the embryo of what men of business call a smart man, but we are of opinion that if his dishonest career is not checked; if sound precept and virtuous example are not brought to bear successfully upon him he may be an inmate of the Penitentiary before he has developed into manhood.—The public are hereby cautioned not to trust these youthful pedlars, but make sure that they are obtaining the genuine article, and thus value will be had for their money, and the morals of our youth greatly improved. D. McL.

THE AGRICULTURAL ACCOUNTS.

Mr. Thomas White has published a lengthy reply to some statements made by the Hon. Mr. Christie at the late meeting of the Board of Agriculture, from which we make the following extracts, containing the gist of his remarks:

"Near the close of your statement, growing eloquent under the sense of injury under which you labored, you are reported to have said of my report and myself: 'There could not be more damning evidence of falsity of the report than this which he had presented, and he felt that he did not speak too strongly when he used that language.' It was difficult to see how a man could deliberately make a report so easily capable of confutation, and now so triumphantly confuted."

"This is tolerably strong language, Mr. David Christie. Let me enquire for a moment how far you were justified in using it. You are not singular in confounding these matters in my report which I have ventured to state of my own knowledge, and upon my own responsibility, and those portions which I have stated of the responsibility of others. But the distinction one which must be made, and it may as well be made at this point as elsewhere. My statement, in reference to a bank account, was given on the authority of your Treasurer; with his denial, I will deal further on. I nowhere, in the report, have made the statement on my own responsibility, and of my own personal knowledge, there was no bank account. What I did state of my own personal knowledge was—

1st. That on the 30th of November last, there was a balance in the Treasurer's hands amounting to \$12,047.76.

2nd. That down to the date of my report, which was the 17th December, which was the day upon which I obtained the statement of those payments from Mr. Dennison, there had been paid a sum of \$1108.76, for which vouchers to the amount of \$141.66 had been produced.

3rd. That having ascertained the balance which the Board should have at its credit, I wrote to Mr. Dennison, asking to be permitted to examine his bank book, and to be informed of the manner in which the Bank accounts of the Board had been kept; and that I was not furnished with the bank book, nor was any information afforded to me of the manner in which the account had been kept.

4th. That the large balance which, by the accounts, appeared to the credit of the Board, is not available in cash, but that Mr. Dennison is willing to give any security that may be required from him.

5th. That the Board, while a large balance appeared by the books to their credit, were borrowing money from the bank, paying large sums by way of interest on removals, and I ventured on this point, the suggestion that, inasmuch as the necessity for borrowing money arose out of the default of the Treasurer, the Agricultural Societies ought not to be charged the interest, but that it should have been charged upon the Treasurer personally. I have looked in vain through your statement, Sir, for any expression of opinion from you on this point.

6th. That the audits which the accounts have undergone in the past have been practically valueless.

The writer then goes on to show that the statement that the Board had kept no banking account, was made from information Mr. Dennison had given, both by letter and orally. The Treasurer denies having told Mr. White any such thing; and it is now a question of veracity between the two. One thing appears very strange, and that is, that when Mr. White asked for the Bank book, Mr. Dennison would not produce it. In relation to this Mr. White goes on to say:—

"Had you been more anxious to condemn the defaulter and less anxious to attack the person whose duty it became to expose the default, you would at least have looked at the collateral evidence. You would have seen that Mr. Dennison was asked for his Bank book, and that it was not produced; you would have seen that he was four days in possession of my impression, reduced to writing, his reasons for refusing to show the Bank book, and that he never took the trouble to correct that impression; and you would at least have asked him why, if he did not state that he kept no Bank account, he did not when required to do so, produce the Bank book and afford explanations of the manner in which the Bank account was kept."

Concerning the cheques spoken of by Mr. Christie, Mr. White remarks:—

"But you say there were cheques among the vouchers, and you expressed your surprise that I should, after seeing those cheques, have had the assurance to state that there had been no bank account kept for the Board of Agriculture. Let me here repeat that I made no such statement; that I simply reported the statement made to me by your Treasurer. But these cheques have been made to do duty far beyond their deserts. I have heard of one of your colleagues in the Board, who has been running around the city ever since the appearance of the report, with the stamps of an old cheque book, triumphantly exhibiting them as evidence of the falsity of my report. You know that these cheques are not entitled to the weight you have attached to them. Among the vouchers of 1867, there were a number of cheques, and in those of 1868, such cheques altogether; in those of 1868, and in reference to them I have consulted the gentleman who checked the accounts with me, and his recollection accords with my own, there was not, if I remember rightly, a single one, certainly not half a dozen. The vouchers were in the nature of receipts. But supposing it had been otherwise, and that there had been a large number of cheques, would you have had me infer from these cheques the existence of a Bank account, against the positive statement of the Treasurer, who drew them, that there was no such account. This is on a par with the suggestion of the *Globe* that, having been told by the Treasurer that he had given no sureties to the Board, I should have gone to the Secretary and asked for the bond."

Mr. White concludes by saying that he felt it to be his duty to point out how unjust the attack upon him by Mr. Christie was, and that he leaves the matter in the hands of the public. It is likely there will be a rejoinder to this letter, and the real facts of the case made more clear, though so far Mr. White's assertions have been by no means satisfactorily disposed of by the Board.

Further on we find the following:—

"Let me back to the time of the failure of the Bank of Upper Canada, and to the evi-

dence concerning your proceedings in relation to that event which you publish. When the bank failed there was, in it, according to Mr. Dennison's statement in reply to Mr. Johnson, upwards of \$16,000. Did it occur to you that there should have more than that sum? You had at the commencement of the year, \$15,457.82 on hand, of which, it is to be presumed, you were aware. You had received, in the meantime, the Government grants, amounting to upwards of \$50,000, and you had not paid out all the sums to county societies, they having received their money after the failure of the Bank, in the proceeds of Upper Canada Bank Bills. As you went to the Bank to transfer the account, it is fairly to be presumed that you ascertained the state of it. Why did it not occur to you that something was wrong? You had the accounts of the Board before you; you were specially deputed to transfer the account, and presumably therefore to examine it, and yet, although this deficiency notoriously existed at that time, you failed to discover it. Then when the accounts of the year came to be balanced, and it was found there was a balance on the 31st December to the credit of the Board of \$30,708.22, did it not occur to you that no such balance could in the nature of things be available from the position of the account when you transferred it? For, mark, although the account was transferred to the Bank of British North America, the funds were not transferred; and as there was no large sum received between the exhibition and the end of the year, this amount could not have been available.

If you failed to discover these things, although taking the most active part, according to the testimony produced by you, in the proceedings connected with the removal of the account from one bank to another, surely you ought to have discovered them in July following, when you became the maker of a note on which money was borrowed for the use of the Board. There were \$20,706.22 to the credit of the Board on the first January, 1867; in July of the same year, you became the maker of a note of \$12,493.76; in February you again became a party to the renewal of that note and again in May, paying all the while large sums of interest, which charged to the Board, and the note remains to this day unpaid, in spite of the large apparent balance that the Board has in hand. And yet, you tell us that the knowledge of the deficiency came upon you by surprise through my report! That statement, sir, is simply incredible. You are aware, in the very nature of things you must have been aware, for years past, that this deficiency existed, and you are criminally keeping the knowledge of that fact from your colleagues in the Board, and from the public whose trustee you were."

Board of School Trustees.

The Board met last night. Present, Mr. Peterson in the chair, Messrs. Pirie, Newton, Fraser, Mitchell, McNeil, Watson, Harvey, Knowles, McGuire, Herod and Innes.

The Secretary read a communication from Miss Walker, stating that she had paid for the sweeping, dusting, &c. of her school room, and requesting the Board to refund her the amount already expended, and to make some arrangement for doing such work in future.—Referred to Finance Committee.

Mr. Newton presented the report of the Finance Committee, which recommended the payment of the following accounts: Mr. Geo. & A. Hadden \$30.98, W. S. G. Knowles \$1.20, H. Goodfellow \$1.87, Mrs. Foley \$5.00, George Howard \$5.23, Wellington Mutual Insurance Co. \$15.38 for insurance on Common Schools, and \$5.60 on Grammar School.—The report was adopted.

Mr. Newton also read the Financial Statement of the Joint Board for the year 1868, which has already appeared in our columns.

The half yearly and yearly reports of the Grammar School were received, audited and duly signed, prefatory to being sent to the Council of Public Instruction.

Dr. Herod called the attention of the Board to the necessity for providing increased accommodation for Miss Walker's school. The subject of providing increased accommodation for this and all the other schools was discussed by the Board, and the desirability of making some arrangement by which this would be accomplished, and with the view also to the formation, at a future time, of a Central School, was admitted by all the members. After the subject had been well discussed it was

Moved by Mr. Innes, seconded by Mr. Harvey, that the School Property and School Management Committees be authorized to enter into negotiations with Mr. Wm. Day, with a view to leasing the City Buildings for a limited period, not exceeding two or three years, to form the nucleus of a Central School, if a satisfactory arrangement can be made with regard to rent, &c., and that the Committee report, at next meeting of the Board.—Carried.

The Board then adjourned.

THE GUELPH POLICE COURT.

Before T. W. Saunders, Esq., Police Magistrate. TUESDAY, 12th.—Several snow cases came up for examination to-day. Chief Constable Kelly being complainant.

The complaints against John Croze, Northumberland st., and David Kennedy, Broad st., were dismissed. *Thomas Broten*, Liverpool-st., was fined \$1 and costs. *T. H. Taylor*, ex-President of the Maple Leaf Base Ball Club, was summoned to appear and give reasons for the non-removal of the snow in front of the premises leased by that Club. Mr. P. M. McCurry appeared for the defence, and took exception to the indictment on two grounds, viz., that Mr. Taylor was not the owner or occupant of the premises, which had been leased by the members of the Club for the specific purpose of playing, and that the ground had not been used by them since October last; also, by the provision of sec. 3, Municipal By-law, the defendant was not liable for the obstruction of snow on the sidewalk. His worship reserved judgment till to-morrow. *Francis Hilliard*, Carleton-st., similar offence—case dismissed, as it appeared that he was not the responsible party. Another complaint against *T. Hilliard* was adjourned. *J. Massie*, non-removal of snow, was fined \$1 and costs. *Robert Orave*, for driving a span of horses at an immoderate speed through the town, was sentenced to pay a contribution of \$1 and costs to the funds of the Municipality.

BY TELEGRAPH PER ATLANTIC CABLE.

Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

LONDON, Jan. 11.—The indications of the first day's session of the Conference on the Eastern question leaves little, if any, doubt of ultimate success. The Turkish Government, through its representative, consented to maintain the present status, until the close of the Conference. It is the general impression that but one more session will be held, and that war between Turkey and Greece will be obviated.

PARIS, Jan. 11.—The budget of the Minister of Finance has been made public. It shows the floating debt has been reduced to 2,000,000 francs during the past year. The estimates for the first year, 1870, promise an excess of 85,000,000 francs in receipts over expenditures, which surplus is to be devoted to reducing the extraordinary budget; and 42,000,000 francs are to be made applicable to the redemption of the rentes. M. Magne congratulates the country on the return of public confidence and the general resumption of industrial pursuits; and concludes by declaring that the gratitude of the nation is due to the Emperor for removing the only cause of rupture between European powers and of international and domestic distress.

BRUSSELS, Jan. 11.—The recent disturbance in various parts of the Kingdom, fomented by reactionists, have been suppressed. The unpopular taxes are now being collected without difficulty.

AMERICAN DESPATCHES

Boston, Jan. 11.—The Boston underwriters have presented \$1000 to Captain Murphy, of Gunard steamship, as a testimonial to his seamanship in bringing his vessel into port with a steering apparatus of spars and ropes after the vessel's rudder breaking.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 11.—The water in the river is rising slowly and a severe storm of hail and rain prevails. No heavy inundation is apprehended, but owing to a remarkably strong current that sets in from the east, the river north of the city and pours into the Basin in a great volume. Very serious damage is being done to property on the pier between the east end of Columbia Street Bridge and the cut through which passes the Hudson River and harbour railroad ferry boats.

Washington, Jan. 12.—A letter from Hayti says the opposing faction are about equally divided, although President Salnave's troops are under the best discipline and have the best arms. Thus far President Salnave has not lost much ground, but the prospects are decidedly favourable for the success of the Revolutionary party.

Tribune's special says the members of the Virginia Delegation have had a pleasant and satisfactory interview with Judge Trumbull, Mr. Fessenden, and other leading Republicans who are in favor of a settlement upon the basis of impartial suffrage and universal amnesty. The Committee are therefore hopeful of good results. The Virginians say the movement looks simply to the restoration of order and an honest State Government, which shall avoid proscriptions and not oppress the people by burdensome taxation.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE DAVID ARMSTRONG.

The funeral of the late David Armstrong took place today, and was very largely attended. In addition to the large concourse of relations and friends, the two volunteer companies and the Battalion Band turned out in uniform, to pay their last mark of respect to their old comrade, and to consign his remains to the grave with military honors. The Rev. Mr. Torrance, of whose church the deceased was a member, the Rev. Mr. Ball and Rev. Mr. Barrie officiated at the house before the body was removed.

The funeral cortege was afterwards formed, being preceded by a firing party from the Rifle Company, of which the party deceased was a member. The Battalion Band followed, and during the progress through the town played the mournful strains of "The Dead March in Saul." The hearse with the body came next, the cap, and other accoutrements of the deceased being deposited on the coffin. Then followed the members of the Rifle and Artillery companies, with their officers and the chaplain and officers of the Battalion, all of whom wore caps on their arms.

After them came the relations, friends and acquaintances of the deceased. Messrs. Bell and some of the employees in their establishment who had been deceased's fellow workmen and by whom he was held in great esteem, along with other of our townsmen acted as pall bearers.

The funeral cortege as it wound round the Square and up Wyndham-st., was witnessed by a large number of people. At the Cemetery the Rev. Mr. Torrance officiated, the firing party fired three volleys over the grave, and the coffin was then lowered into the earth.

NORMANBY ELECTION.

The elections were decided somewhat queerly in Normanby. The Western part of the township, it appears, is inhabited chiefly by Germans, and the eastern by Irish and Scotch. The former are favourable to the Wellington Railway, the latter to the Toronto Narrow Gauge. On nomination day the western men through some mistake, met at Aytan, but the returning officer not appearing, they repaired to Newcastle, where they appointed a returning officer, and elected by acclamation a Reeve, Deputy and Council. While this was going on, the proper official was taking nominations at the place appointed by By-law, in a school-house near the centre of the township, and the eastern men elected the old councillors by acclamation.

EMPLOYMENT CASE IN NEWCASTLE.—Quite an excitement prevailed on Monday in this usually quiet little village through the elopement of the daughter of a very respectable lady with an apprentice employed in the agricultural works of H. A. Massey. It appears the union was objected to by the mother of the fair damsel, and to put matters beyond dispute the young couple drove quietly to Orono on Saturday evening, when the two loving hearts were united. Upon the whole, the affair was very cleverly managed; the mother being entertained by a friend, engaged for the occasion, while the daughter was passing large quantities of dry goods through an upstairs window, whence they were removed by other friends.

The Educational Department.

The Toronto correspondent of the Hamilton Times says:—"There is likely to be difficulties between the Government and Dr. Ryerson, in relation to the financial affairs of the Educational Department. It appears that the Rev. Dr. thinks he occupies too elevated a position to be required to give in his demand for supplies, and desires the money to be voted in large sums, to be expended as he thinks proper, moreover, he seems to think that he can raise the salaries of his deputies and clerks at pleasure, and take the amount out of the contingent fund. All this has been in the habit of doing, but the Government desire to put a stop to it in future. The whole system with regard to expenditures in the Educational Department requires to be revised; but it is difficult to do anything so long as Dr. Ryerson remains in his present position, hence the sooner he resigns the better. The country would no doubt hail his resignation with delight, for there is no public man in the country who possesses so little of public confidence."

Arctic Explorations.

The gloomy regions of the North have ever presented a sort of fascination to the many adventurous spirits who have, from motives of curiosity or in endeavors to discover a North-West passage, penetrated far into the dreary expanse of ice and snow at the north of this continent. Evidence is not wanting to prove that the inhospitable shores of Greenland were visited frequently by the sea-rovers of Scandinavia during the period of that country's naval supremacy, in the ninth and tenth centuries. Coming down to later times, we have but to point to the names of Scoresby, Parry, Franklin, Kane, Hall, and various others, as an evidence of the great interest taken by the naval and scientific men of Britain and the States in the exploration of these hyperborean regions. Hitherto, England has taken the lead in sending forth expeditions of discovery to Greenland, but now other nations have displayed an anxiety to vie with her in this matter. Two expeditions have lately been sent from Sweden, but without great success. The highest latitude yet reached was attained by Sir Edward Parry, being 82 deg. 45 min. N. The German expedition which has just returned, only reached 81 deg. 5 min. N. The French are also about to undertake an expedition, which they hope will penetrate even further than Parry.

It is not unlikely that England will feel it incumbent on her to maintain her old prestige in Arctic discoveries, and that a new expedition will be fitted out, surpassing in strength and perfection of appointments any that have before left the shores of England. Experience has taught many how to make better provision against the peculiar dangers which encompass the bold navigator in the polar regions, so that the risk in exploring will be much lessened by the exercise of prudence and forethought.

THE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE ACCOUNTS.—The state of the accounts of the Board of Agriculture, together with Mr. Dennison's deficiency, continues to elicit a great deal of discussion. The general opinion throughout the country is that a clean sweep should be made of all the officers. The business of the Board and the Agricultural Association has for many years been done in the most slovenly manner. The officers were either too proud or too lazy to do it: if complaints were made no satisfaction could be obtained, and in many instances, no answer would be vouchsafed to enquiries made by letter. Mr. Dennison's defalcation and the confessed state of his accounts have at last fairly roused the public, and a rigid investigation into its affairs is loudly demanded. Nor is the Board of Agriculture free from censure also. Its members ought to have looked better into its finances, and seen that its funds were properly secured. It seems difficult for people to convince themselves that the defalcation had not been known for a long time, to the officers of the Board, at least. The whole matter is to undergo a thorough investigation by a Governmental Commission. This is, no doubt, fully warranted by the peculiar circumstances of the case.

THE ROSS'S MEETINGS.—According to appointment, a meeting was held on Thursday, at John Fielding's, Ospringe, at 2 P.M., to hear Mr. James Ross give his views on political matters. The meeting was well attended by the most influential electors. Mr. George Martin was called to the chair, and Mr. Robt. Morton was appointed secretary. After a few remarks on the object of the meeting, the chairman called upon Mr. Ross to address the electors. Mr. Ross said that when he was nominated by the Convention which met at Fergus, he, in an address, showed the necessity of economy in the Government, and put the electors on their guard against corruption. Mr. Lazarus Parkinson was then called upon and addressed the meeting in a very able manner, giving Mr. Ross a very high character for integrity and ability. The following resolution, which was carried unanimously, was moved by Mr. Edw. Tolton and seconded by Mr. Duncan Robertson: "That having heard the address of James Ross, Esq., on the leading questions likely to come before the Dominion Parliament, this meeting expresses its confidence in his integrity and ability to represent this Riding in the House of Commons; and that we pledge ourselves to give him our hearty support in order to secure his election." After a vote of thanks to the chairman, the meeting dispersed.

A man named James Bazzard died suddenly at Streetsville on Saturday of colic from tremors.

Legislature of Ontario.

Toronto, Jan. 11.

The House was engaged in discussing several bills affecting insurance companies, such as amending the act, incorporating the Whitty & Port Perry Railway Company. Mr. Scott moved the second reading of the Bill to grant relief to Lady Smith, and to enable her to manage the estate of her late husband, Sir Henry Smith. Mr. Blake delivered a very able speech in opposition to the interference by the Legislature with the rights of private property, apart altogether from the merits of Mr. Scott's Bill, which was the subject matter of debate. Mr. Blake's speech was very valuable, as exhausting the whole argument against practices in which the present Attorney-General is too apt to indulge. The bill was read a second time.

Dreadful Accident in Rochester.

HEARTRENDING SCENES.—The telegram furnished on Wednesday night gives a brief account of a sad accident in Rochester by which several lives were lost and a large number of persons in various ways wounded by the fall of a school room floor. On the evening of the 6th inst., the pupils and teachers of German Catholic School of St. Peter and St. Paul on East Maple street, assembled in their large school room, on the second floor of the building with their parents and friends to enjoy an entertainment in the celebration of the festival of the Epiphany. The number present was quite large, completely filling the front school room on the second floor. At about nine o'clock, without a moment's warning, the flooring gave way in the centre, and the whole mass of humanity was plunged into a vortex in which men, women and children, broken, maimed and crushed, mingled with the wreck of matter. The work of destruction and death was caused by the fall of the second floor, where old and young were thrown together, with the broken timbers, plastering and iron pillars thrown upon them. The crash and cries of agony alarmed the whole neighbourhood, and were heard at a long distance. It was found that the large iron pillars supporting the flooring above had crushed to death a young German, Bernard Dormer, and his wife, who were clasped in a mutual and final embrace. Near by were some twenty or more others, some broken and mangled, some dead. As soon as possible the dead and wounded were removed, in a house of a priest near by, the scenes were cruelly touching. On one table, ghastly and rigid lay the forms of two dead women, Mrs. Rinek and Katie Lawrence, the one nearly three score, the other only fifteen, with heads crushed and bloody, and faces clothed with their own gore—awful visions of sudden and instantaneous death. These bodies were perfectly limp, and not a bone in the body remains uncrushed. In the next room lay Mr. David C. Way, who can hardly recover, cared for carefully by two city doctors. On the floor a little creature lay groaning and sobbing with a broken arm. Every attention was being paid to these unhappy sufferers.

In still another room, an old man, Geo. Poppo, lay on the floor, no relatives to mourn or care for him; but over him sat a sad and tearful woman, rocking mournfully over the stranger, who was her lodger. His face was peaceful, and save the bandage which upheld his jaw, one would have imagined him sleeping. Beyond him on the floor was the most pathetic of all the night's bloody work. A little girl, with bloody swollen feet, lay in the painful attitude of one who had struggled for life. Black purple streaks disfigured the face, and the mouth was compressed in the most unutterable agony. Her head, covered with flaxen curls, was dabbled with her own life blood, and her hands still retained a clotted mat of hair, pulled from the poor head in the struggle with death. This was the girl, Maggie Weiss. She lay desolately in one corner, unmourned and unnoticed save by the curious. In the church, which was thrown open, an agitated mass swayed, some to see with awful forebodings, others to see with melancholy curiosity. Laying in one seat, closely beside each other, as in the crush of destruction lay the shattered forms of Bernard Donno and wife. The bodies were mangled frightfully, deep gashes were plowed in bloody furrows across their faces, rendering recognition next to impossible. Immediately opposite the school, at Mr. Tanney's, lay the bodies of Miss Emma Beers and Mrs. Catharine Spairl. The former, a Miss of thirteen, the adopted daughter of Chas. G. Beers, was taken to the festival by a servant, who was badly wounded also. Miss Beers lay stark and rigid, her face black and rigid with scars, as though lashed by pitiless thongs. Mr. Beers was from town, and no one seemed to have sent for the mother of the unfortunate child. In a room adjoining lay the last of the victims, Mrs. Spairl, whose husband, curious to say, was barely saved from a similar accident by the falling of a building in town. The grey hair of the woman fell in thin bloody clots about her forehead and peacefully closed eyes, with a tearful canvas and pathos trying for the strongest to see without tears. Besides many more or less seriously injured, seven people were found quite dead. Several of the wounded will never recover from the effects of their injuries.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE.—The following are the resolutions passed at the meeting of the Synod of the Church of Scotland, at Kingston, on Friday last, in reference to the maintenance of Queen's College:—"That this Synod having taken under its serious deliberation the emergency which has arisen in the financial position of Queen's College, unanimously resolve, 1st.—That it is of the greatest importance to the interests of the Church and superior education generally, that this institution be efficiently maintained. 2nd.—That under these circumstances, it is the paramount duty of the Synod to appeal to the Church and the community to supply the funds needed for this object. 3rd.—That the members of the Synod, of the Board of Trustees and of the Corporation of the College, now present, pledge their utmost aid and influence to accomplish the endowment of the institution to the amount of at least \$100,000. 4th.—That for the carrying out of these resolutions, a committee composed of members taken from the Synod, the Board of Trustees and the Corporation, be and are hereby appointed; and not to tam alone shall be entrusted the method of securing the end in view, but they are to confer with the Board of Trustees on the best mode for increasing the efficiency of the institution."

The Rochester "Chronicle" tells this apocryphal story.—During Robert Lincoln's recent journey from Chicago to Boston, he got out of his car, and while walking along the railroad track slipped and fell before an advancing engine. A gentleman passing at the time saved his life by dragging him from the track, and getting up and looking for his preserver, he recognised Edwin Booth. No words were spoken, Mr. Booth walking rapidly away. We give this story as it is told to us.

18,000,000 DOLLARS.

The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company has accumulated a capital of over EIGHTEEN MILLION DOLLARS, and has arrived at the extraordinary condition where the income from Annual Interest alone is more than sufficient to pay all its losses. Who would not insure in such a company? GEORGE ROBBINS, Agent for Guelph. do 2t

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

COULSON HOUSE, GUELPH, Jan. 12th, 1869. Edward Gordon, Port Elgin; Wm Wilson, Kincairdine; Joseph Herald, Hamilton; D. McAlpin, Port Hill; Joseph Moss, Montreal; E. J. McMahon, Toronto; G. D. Ferguson, Fergus; A. Valentine, Fergus; Dr. Pastore, Paisley; M. Dow, Detroit; J. Nay, Toronto; J. J. Marshall, Ingersoll; Mrs. Rowes, Neustadt; John Cook, Peel; James Fairbairn, Walkerton; Wm Hazard, Harrison; Lewis Shomaker, Greenock; C. Sauer and daughter, Grand Rapids, Michigan; James Pettiman, Tilsonburg.

New Advertisements.

HOUSE WANTED. Having six or seven rooms. Address, F. Mercer Office, Guelph. Guelph, Jan. 5 1869. do 1f

SPEED LODGE. THE regular monthly meeting of Speed Lodge will be held in the Masonic Hall, over the Bank of Commerce, on Tuesday evening, January 12, at half-past 7 o'clock. ROBERT CUTHBERT, Secretary. Guelph, Jan. 8, 1869. do 1t

PUBLIC NOTICE. The subscriber has to intimate that during his absence in England all orders left at the shop will be promptly attended to as usual. Parties indebted to him will please call at his house and settle as early as possible. W. H. JACOMB. Guelph, 6th Jan. do 2t

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC. The subscriber begs to inform his patrons and the public that during his absence in Scotland his business will be carried on as usual. Parties requiring work will please call at his shop, Market Square, where all orders will receive prompt attention. Guelph, 6th Jan. do 2t JAS. BARCLAY.

INSOLVENT ACT of 1864. ROBERT HILL, PLAINTIFF. THOMAS McDONALD, DEFENDANT. A WRIT OF ATTACHMENT has issued in this cause. GEO. J. GRANGE, Sheriff. Guelph, Jan. 12, 1869. do 1f

AUCTION SALE IN ERAMOSA. HORSES, CATTLE, HOGS, IMPLEMENTS, HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c. W. S. G. KNOWLES will offer for sale by public Auction, by order of Mr. John W. Armstrong, On Friday, January 29, 1869, And following days, until the whole is disposed of, the following valuable property, viz: 7 good farm horses various ages; 4 head of feeding cattle, 2 cows in calf, 7 yearling heifers, 1 thorough bred Durham bull with pedigree, 3 heifer calves, 8 pigs, 1 good bear. Implements comprising a Combined Reaper and Mower, a single Reaper, 1 drag saw, 1 circular saw, 2 wagons, 1 carriage, 1 cow buggy, 2 cutters, 2 wheat cultivators, 3 iron ploughs, 2 wooden do, 1 set of harness, seed drill, turnip drill, horse-power fanning mill, 4 sugar kettles, 100 sap buckets, roller, and a variety of other useful articles. Also a quantity of Household Furniture, comprising chairs, tables and sofas, bedsteads and bedding, delph, an excellent mel-slow, sewing machine, electric battery, kitchen furniture, &c. Sale to commence at 11 o'clock, sharp. Terms, \$10, and under cash, over that amount 12 months' credit on approved joint notes. The farm, if not previously sold, will be offered for sale the same day. Terms single known at the time of sale. The whole of the above will be sold without reserve, as the proprietor is leaving the country. Guelph, Jan. 12, 1869. do 1f Weekly Advertiser copy twice.

ANNIVERSARY SERMONS & TEA MEETING. SERMONS to commemorate the opening of the new Congregational Church, in this town, will (D. V.) be preached on LORD'S DAY, JANUARY 17, 1869. In the morning at 11 o'clock, and in the evening at 6:30, by REV. E. T. BROMFIELD, Late Minister of Holloway Congregational Church, London, England. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock, by REV. W. CAVAN, Professor of Theology in Knox's College, Toronto &c. Collections on behalf of the Church Building Fund, will be made at each service.

TEA MEETING. The Annual Tea Meeting will be held On Monday Evening, Jan. 18, commencing at 6 o'clock. After tea addresses by several speakers, and appropriate music by the Church Choir may be expected. Tickets, 25 Cents. May be had at the stores of Messrs. A. Thompson & Co., J. McNeil, and at the door. Guelph, Jan. 12. do 1f

THE BOUND VOLUME FOR 1868. British Workman

Infants' Magazine

Children's Friend

Band of Hope

Sunday at Home

Leisure Hour

AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE. Opposite the Market. Guelph, 25th December. do

THREE SHEEP STRAYED. Strayed from the premises of the subscriber, Elton Road, about five weeks ago, three Ewes, two White and one Black. If he thought they were in the neighborhood of Paisley Block, any one returning them to the owner, or giving information as to their whereabouts, will be rewarded. GEORGE SMITH, Butcher. 11, 2a Road, Jan 9. do 1f

THE GREAT BLANKET SALE AT A. O. BUCHAM'S WILL BE CONTINUED THIS WEEK. Guelph, Jan. 12, 1869. do 1f

COPIES SOLD OF THE JEHEIAH and 125,000 of the HARK OF JUDAH, two admirable books of Sacred Music for Choirs, Singing Schools, Musical Conventions, &c., by L. O. EMERSON. Every Choir and Singing School should have them, for they will be sure of giving satisfaction. Price of each, \$1.88. Sent post-paid. A liberal discount made on quantities. O. DITSON & CO., Publishers, 277 Washington Street, Boston. C. H. DITSON & CO., 711 Broadway, New York.

BALTIMORE OYSTER DEPOT! WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH. PLATT & CO'S BALTIMORE OYSTERS! IMPORTED DIRECT. GEORGE WILKINSON Sole Agent. Sold to the trade at Hamilton and Toronto prices. Guelph, 4th January. do

VALUABLE and DESIRABLE DWELLING HOUSE FOR SALE. That eligible and commodious Stone Dwelling House and Lot, containing nearly half an acre of ground, with large Stables and out-houses complete, the residence of the late Dr. Parker, situated on the corner of Market and Dublin Streets.—This property is but a short distance from the Market and business part of the Town, and is an admirable location as a dwelling for a professional or business man. The above property will be sold on easy terms, which may be known by applying to GEORGE ELLIOTT, or N. HIGGINBOTHAM, do 1m Executives. Guelph, Jan. 2.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS. ESTATE LATE DR. PARKER. The Executors of the late Dr. Parker have placed the Medical Accounts of the said Estate in the hands of Mr. B. MEREDITH for collection, who is authorized to grant receipts for the same. He will be found at the store of Messrs. C. & T. Meredith, west side of Wyndham Street, a few doors below the Old Post Office. All accounts not paid by 1st February next will be put in suit in the Division Court. GEORGE ELLIOTT, N. HIGGINBOTHAM, EDWARD BLAKE, do 1m Executives. Guelph, Jan.

BOARDING. Parties requiring board can be accommodated with good bedrooms in a first-class Boarding House, situated near the Post Office. Address A. B. Guelph-Post Office, or apply at his Office. an. 2.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE. For sale, a house and lot. Terms, easy. Apply personally, or by letter. W. S. BALL. Guelph, Jan. 7. do 1f

APPRENTICE WANTED. Wanted at THE MERCURY OFFICE an apprentice to the Printing business. A stout, active lad, possessing a good English education, 16 or 17 years of age, from the country preferred. Application to Guelph, 3rd December.

MONEY TO LEND. The undersigned are requested to obtain Farm Securities for several thousand dollars, to be lent at moderate interest. LEMON & PETERSON, Barristers, Solicitors, &c. Guelph Dec. 29th, 1868. do 1f

BOARDING AND DAY SCHOOL FOR YOUNG LADIES. CHURCH-ST. GUELPH. MISS WIGHTMAN begs to announce that her school will re-open (D. V.) on the 4th of January, 1869. Guelph, 24th December. do

New Advertisement. 1869 FEARFUL PANIC. 1869 \$15,000 WORTH OF CANADIAN GOODS To be rushed off before the 1st March, at the BRITANNIA HOUSE. IN ORDER to make room for Spring Goods HEFFERNAN BROS. are determined to clear out their immense Stock of Canadian Goods AT PANIC PRICES! Consisting in part of TWEEDS, FULL CLOTHS, SATINETTS, FLANNELS, BLANKET, carbs, SHIRTS, DRAWERS, &c. Call at once, and call early. THIS IS ONE OF THE FEW CHANCES THAT RETAIL PURCHASERS have of Buying Goods at LESS than Wholesale Prices. HEFFERNAN BROTHERS. Britannia House, Wyndham-St., Guelph. Jan 9. do

Retiring from the Retail Trade. ENTIRE STOCK OF DRY GOODS TO BE SOLD OUT. WM. STEWART, In returning thanks to his friends and the public for the liberal patronage bestowed on him for the last thirteen years, respectfully intimates his intention of retiring from the Retail Business. In order to facilitate the entire clearance of Stock, he will on WEDNESDAY, 6th JANUARY, commence the GREAT SALE, when Goods will be offered at Cost, and in many cases under. The public should take advantage of this rare opportunity of securing first-class Goods at the Lowest Prices ever offered in Guelph. The reputation of the Stock being so well known for extra quality, and being composed of New and Fashionable Goods, all may rely on extraordinary Bargains. On and after the 2nd of January the Books will be closed, and during the sale Goods will be sold only FOR CASH. N. B.—This is no clap-trap sale, as the subscriber is positively retiring. WILLIAM STEWART. Wyndham Street, Guelph } Dec. 30th, 1868. do

LANGDON. MY STOCK OF GROCERIES, TEAS, WINES AND LIQUORS Is now complete, and I am prepared to sell Goods as low as any House West of Montreal, no matter what their pretensions may be. Give me a call and prove it. In stock, Very fine Black, Young Hyson and Japan Teas Coffees, Tobaccos, Sugars Pickles, Sauces, Lobsters, Sardines, Bottled Ales and Porter. Wines and Liquors--Best Brands Martell Brandy, Jules Robit Brandy, Pinet Castillon & Co's Brandy, Seignette Brandy, Holland & Old Tom Gin, Rum, very fine Old Port Wine, Pale and Brown Sherry, Hay's Scotch Whisky, Canliche Scotch Whisky, Stewart's Scotch Whisky, Dunville's Irish Whisky, Windsor Pure Rye and Malt Whisky, Bourbon Whisky. Labrador HERRING, Lake Huron Herring, White Fish, Salt, &c., very low. J. J. LANGDON. Guelph, 5th January. do

Christmas and New Year's Gifts For Christmas and New Year's Presents go to JOHN R. PORTE'S JEWELLERY and FANCY STORE. Nextdoor to Mr. Berry's Confectionery Store, Wyndham Street. The following choice articles will be found in Stock. Ladies' Companion Ladies' Work Boxes Ladies' & Gents' Writing Desks Chessmen, Chess, Draught and Cribbage Boards, Inkstands, Book Slides, Vases, Parian Figures, &c. WATCHES, CLOCKS & JEWELLERY Of every description, and at all prices, to suit purchasers. A LIBERAL DISCOUNT ALLOWED DURING THE HOLIDAYS. Guelph, 17th December. do JOHN R. PORTE.

Jeannie Sinclair,

OR THE LILY OF THE STRATH. CHAPTER III.

Acting on his knowledge of the habits of the district, he put his hand into a hole in the thatch and there found the key.

"No keep yourself as quiet and easy there as ye can," he said, "and I'll see that Lucky Carrick is here without the loss of a moment."

And without waiting to hear the thanks which the grateful girl again proffered, Ned ran from the cottage, and closing the door without locking it, set off at heading velocity towards the hamlet, clearing at a bound the hedges and ditches which came in his way.

The door was closed, but on lifting the "sneek" it opened to his touch, and he entered the dark passage within.

"Keep me, Ned, is this you?" "Just me, Mrs. Lumsden. Is Mrs. Carrick ben the hoose wi' ye?"

"I cannae see that. I want the howdie directly. Whaur is she Mrs. Lumsden; whaur will I find her?"

"I havena a moment to answer questions. For ony sake tell me whaur Mrs. Carrick is."

"Hech! man, but the hurry maun be extraordinary. It's no Mrs. Morrison up at the Main, is it? Mrs. Carrick didna expect the ca' there for a month yet."

"No, it's no Mrs. Morrison. But loch, wumman, dinna haud me here. There's life and death in it."

"Ye dinna say sae? Weel, that is extraordinary, for Mrs. Carrick didna expect ony kimmerin' ta' come in at present but the aune she's awa' ta', and whae'er it is, Ned, they'll no get the help o' Luck or the doctor either, for they are baith upbye at the Castle attendin' on my leddy. They were sent for early this mornin' and has been there a' day, and nae doot my leddy wunna let them leave her till—Keep me, the man's fey. He's gane aff like a fire-braucht."

This was true, for the moment Ned learned that the midwife was at the Castle, he wheeled about and rushed away at the same speed at which he had come.

"I had only kenned she was there," he muttered, "I might ha' saved muckle time that had been wasted. Heaven help the poor lassie if Mrs. Carrick canna leave the Castle."

Immediately at the end of the long row of houses which formed the main portion of the hamlet was the high wall encircling the park wherein Bagley Castle stood.

On reaching the Castle he readily got private speech of Mrs. Carrick, and soon made her acquainted with the position of the unknown girl in the keeper's hut, the extremity in which she was, and the necessity of immediate aid being given to her.

Mrs. Carrick ran up stairs to consult the doctor as to the possibility of her leaving the Castle in order to attend the girl. The doctor intimated that there was no prospect of her services being immediately wanted by Lady Sinclair, and as the keeper's house was at no great distance from the Castle, he gave her liberty to go.

Whereupon Mrs. Carrick, with womanly forethought, gathered together some things likely to be needed in the emergency, and in a minute or two Wandering Ned had the satisfaction of seeing her depart on her errand of beneficent ministration.

TO BE CONTINUED.

Mr. W. C. Pulaski, senior partner of the firm of Pulaski & Martin, clothiers and dry goods merchants, Toronto, has decamped with all the available funds of the firm.

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If the thousands who are suffering from DYSPEPSIA, DEBILITY, FEMALE WEAKNESSES, &c.

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The basis of its remedial properties is a vegetable compound. It will restore Grey Hair to its original color. It will keep the Hair from falling out. It cleanses the scalp and makes the Hair soft, lustrous and silken. It is a splendid hair dressing. R. P. HALL & CO., Nashua, N. H., Proprietors. For sale by all druggists.

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This splendid Hair Dye is the best in the world. The only true and perfect Hair Dye. It is reliable, instantaneous. No discoloring. No ridiculous tints. Remedies the effects of bad dyes. Invigorates and leaves the Hair soft and beautiful brown or black. Sold by all Druggists and Perfumers and properly applied at Bachelor's Hair Dresser, No. 16, Bond-St. N. Y.

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Jacket Cloth, Double Width, at 50c. per yard. Jacket Cloth, Double Width, at 75c. worth \$1.25. Jacket Cloth, Double Width, 88c. worth \$1.50.

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A full ASSORTMENT of COFFINS always on hand.

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HADDIES that are Haddies. None of your stale trash kept. ORANGES AND LEMONS—Beautiful Oranges and Lemons just arrived this day.

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Guelph, 31st December. dw Wholesale and Retail, Guelph

Card of Thanks.

I beg publicly to thank MR. G. B. FRASER, Merchant, Guelph, for the Present of a Handsome Silk Dress, made to my wife, in accordance with his offer of such a gift, to the largest purchaser at his recent Great Gift Sale.

W.M. EVANS, Lot 7, Con. 3, Puslinch Puslinch, Jan. 6, 1869. dwlf

Sale of Cloths and Clothing!

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WOULD intimate that as their Mr. Thomson is retiring from business, the whole of their stock must be sold and the business wound up. To facilitate this, they have determined to

Commence a Clearing Sale on Monday 21st Dec.,

When they will offer their immense stock of

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AT COST AND UNDER. As this is a rare opportunity of securing first-class Goods at auction prices, they would recommend all to take advantage of the great bargains which shall be given.

There will positively be no credit given during this sale. All indebted to the firm are respectfully requested to call and settle their accounts at once.

Guelph, 17th December 1868

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IMPORTERS. Guelph, 25th December.

For all the purposes for which a liniment is used, the Alligator is superior to any preparation that the skill of man has yet discovered. As an internal remedy it has never been excelled, owing to its healing balsamic properties in irritations of the mucous membrane of the alimentary canal, air passages and urinary organs, and at the same time exercising a powerful seductive influence upon the nervous centre, thereby subsiding pain, allaying morbid excitement and irritability, and imparting a feeling of comfort, ease and tranquility to the whole system. It is conceded to be the greatest pain relieving agent that has ever been offered to the public for the cure of Sprains, Bruises, Pains in the Head, Chest, Side or Back, Pain and Swelling in the Bones and Muscles, Rheumatism, Pains and Stiffness in the Joints, Paralysis, Neuralgia, Colic, Cramps, and Pains in the Bowels, Cholera Morbus, Asiatic Cholera, Diarrhoea, Dysentery, and Flux, Tumors, Swelling, Hives and Stings, Corns, Bunions, Ingrowing Nails, Sores, Scabby Head and Scabby Eruptions of the Skin, Toothache, Quincy, Sore Throat, Diplopia, Burns or Scalds, Frost Bites and Chills, Swellings, Scalded Feet, Gout, Cuts and Wounds, Canker or Sore Mouth, Pleurisy, Coughs, Colds, Inflammations, &c. For sale by E. Harvey & Co., Guelph, and by druggists generally. C. H. Wright & Co., Hamilton, general agents for British Possessions.

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A young lady in New Albany, Ind., received sixty calls on New Year's Day, and sang "Captain Jinks" fifty-five times.

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Guelph Markets

MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH	
January 12, 1869.	
Flour @ 100 lbs	4 50
Pa. Wheat, 8 bus	1 12
Spring Wheat, 8 bush	1 10
Oats @ bush	22
Peas @ bush	25
Barley @ bush	1 10
Hay @ 100 lbs	10 00
Straw @ 100 lbs	4 00
Shingles @ 1000	1 00
Wood @ cord	3 00
Coal @ 100 lbs	2 00
Eggs @ dozen	20
Butter, (store packed) @ lb	15
do (dairy packed) @ lb	18
Ghee, each	20
Turkey's each	3 75
Chicken, @ pair	0 25
Ducks, do	0 30
Potatoes, per bushel	0 75
Apples, @ bush	1 25
Lamb, @ lb	0 04
Beef, @ lb	4 00
Pork, @ 100 lbs	7 50
Sheep Pelts each	0 50
Lambskins	0 50
Hides	0 50

Money Market.

JACKSON & EXCHANGE OFFICE
Guelph, Jan 12, 1869

Gold, 132 1/2
Greenbacks at 127 1/2 to 128, sold at 129 to 130
Silver bought at 4 1/2, sold at 4 1/2
Upper Canada Bank Bills bought at 50c to 60c

MONTREAL MARKETS.

Kingwood, Livingston & Co's report by special telegraph to Evening Mercury.
MONTREAL, January 12, 1869.
Wheat—Extra, \$5 40 to \$5 50; Fancy, \$5 70 to \$5 75; Western Canada, \$5 60 to \$5 70; Superior No. 1 Canada, \$4 90 to \$5 10; Superior No. 2 Western, \$5 00 to \$5 25; No. 2, \$4 60 to \$4 80; No. 3, \$4 20 to \$4 50; No. 4, \$3 80 to \$4 10; No. 5, \$3 40 to \$3 70; No. 6, \$3 00 to \$3 30; No. 7, \$2 60 to \$2 90; No. 8, \$2 20 to \$2 50; No. 9, \$1 80 to \$2 10; No. 10, \$1 40 to \$1 70; No. 11, \$1 00 to \$1 30; No. 12, \$0 60 to \$0 90; No. 13, \$0 20 to \$0 50; No. 14, \$0 10 to \$0 40; No. 15, \$0 05 to \$0 35; No. 16, \$0 02 to \$0 30; No. 17, \$0 01 to \$0 25; No. 18, \$0 00 to \$0 20; No. 19, \$0 00 to \$0 15; No. 20, \$0 00 to \$0 10; No. 21, \$0 00 to \$0 05; No. 22, \$0 00 to \$0 02; No. 23, \$0 00 to \$0 01; No. 24, \$0 00 to \$0 00; No. 25, \$0 00 to \$0 00; No. 26, \$0 00 to \$0 00; No. 27, \$0 00 to \$0 00; No. 28, \$0 00 to \$0 00; No. 29, \$0 00 to \$0 00; No. 30, \$0 00 to \$0 00; No. 31, \$0 00 to \$0 00; No. 32, \$0 00 to \$0 00; No. 33, \$0 00 to \$0 00; No. 34, \$0 00 to \$0 00; 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