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Guelph, Jan. 29, 1868. d.w.f.

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Guelph, February 9th. d.w.f.

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Of best Ground Paris and Colobonia.

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FOR sale by the subscriber Five Hundred Tons of best ground Paris and Colobonia Plaster. As the above was ordered when the prices were low, farmers had better send in their orders at once, and get the benefit of it.

THE LOW PRICES.

Apply at the old stand, near the Railway crossing.
CEO. BALKWILL,
Guelph, 19th Feb., 1868. w.f.

SURROGATE COURT.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Judge of the Surrogate Court of the County of Wellington, on the 14th day of March next, for the appointment of Angus McKeown, of the Township of Erin, gentleman, to be Guardian of Archibald McKinnon, an Infant.
D. GUTHRIE,
Solicitor,
Guelph, Feb. 19, 1868. w.f.

TRAVELLERS' GUIDE.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

GOING EAST. GOING WEST.
Mail, 9.45 a.m. Day Express, 9.45 a.m.
Day Express, 2.55 p.m. Eve. Ex., 2.45 p.m.
Night Ex., 2.45 p.m. Eve. Accom., 5.50 p.m.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.

Mixed, 10.50 a.m. Accommodation, 9.45 a.m.
Accom., 11.55 a.m. Mixed, 3.00 p.m.
Do, 8.05 p.m. Accom., 4.50 p.m.
Stages leave for Walkerton at 5 a.m., and for Owen Sound at 4 a.m., Hamilton and Brink road at 11 a.m.

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Guelph, 4th December, 1867. d.w.

Evening Mercury.

OFFICE: - - - MACDONNELL STREET
MONDAY EV'G. MARCH 9, 1868.

The Orangeville fair will take place on the 12th inst.

ACCIDENT.—Mr George McCulloch, of Galt, had one of his fingers so seriously mutilated a few days ago, at Kincardine, where he was working a mill, that it was found necessary to amputate it.

A perambulating horse doctor has "done" the people of Godrich to the amount of \$300. He cheated the printer among others, in consequence of which the constable who is after him will be sure to catch him, and he will inevitably find his way to penitentiary.

BLACKWOOD'S MAGAZINE.—The February number of this ablest of the magazines has been received from the Leonard Scott Publishing Company, New York. The contents are: Brownlow's—conclusion; Memoirs of Sir Philip Francis; Linda Tressel—part V.; Cornelius O'Dowd; Historical Sketches of the Reign of George II.; Fenianism; The Queen of the Highlands. The Magazine is for sale at all the bookstores in Town.

LYNX SHOT.—A lynx was caught in a trap by Mr. Peter Milloy, near Erin Village one night last week. It had been doing mischief among the geese some nights previous. Having been caught by the paw, and evincing much ferocity it became necessary to shoot it. Mr. Milloy received \$5 for being lucky enough to capture it. It is said there are more of these animals in that neighborhood.

Mason's Dramatic Company.

This Company made its second appearance before a Guelph audience on Saturday night. The cast of the characters for "The Poscher's Doom" was very fortunate, and some of the playing that was done was first class. As Rachel Ryland Miss Clifton was admirable. The self sacrificing devotion of woman to the man on whom her heart's purest affections are set was portrayed with force and vividness when she took the key from her girdle, unfettered the poacher, gave him to freedom and herself in marriage to a man she cared nothing for. In the succeeding portions of the drama she was equally clever and effective, and her representation of the dutiful wife, unfortunately not above suspicion, but strong in virtue and beyond temptation, together with the tact used in soothing the angry passions of her husband and her former lover demonstrated the power of her talents as an actress. No person who saw Miss Clifton play on Thursday night and then again on Saturday night could fail to observe to how much greater advantage she appeared on the latter occasion. Mr. Daly, in the character of the poacher acted well. He evinced sufficient desperation in his criminal vocation, and his accents of contrition for having bartered Rachel's love for his own personal liberty were well assumed. Harry Lampe, as Union Jack, had scarcely such scope for his powers, as in the "Ten Nights in a Bar-Room," yet where he was allowed to speak he brought in the laugh loud and hearty. His dancing of the Highland Fling was as perfect as if he had studied it among the rugged hills of Scotland, and when the curtain dropped a loud encore brought him back to repeat it. The farce of the Two Buzzards, in which Mr. Mason took a part with much ability, concluded a performance, that was satisfactory to every one who witnessed it.

HIGH PRICE OF OIL.—Hay is in in Guelph these days, and the one who brings it in make those who must have it pay a pretty figure for it. A load was brought in on Saturday, and the owner lay on the top while the rain came pouring down on it and him; and his modest demand was \$25 a ton. There was a large number of loads in the market on Monday, and they sold with astonishing rapidity at from \$16 to \$17 a ton. Those who have hay to spare had better fetch it along while the demand and price are both good.

AXES.

Axes and axe handles good and cheap.
JOHN HORSMAN'S

THE ELECTION TROUBLES IN MARYBOROUGH.

To the Editor of the Mercury.

SIR—As the Municipal Institutions Act has been engaging the attention of our Legislature, and is likely still further to occupy their attention during another session, it may not be uninteresting to some of your readers to give an account of the manner in which the present Act can be worked when unscrupulous men happen to get into office, as has been exhibited in the Township of Maryborough during the late Municipal Election.

In order to the proper and fair understanding of the position in which this township has stood, it may be well to premise that Maryborough has hitherto been considered a thoroughly Conservative township, and that the principles of Progress and Reform could in no way find an abiding place in this locality. During the canvass for the late Parliamentary election, the Conservative leaders found to their surprise and chagrin that a large portion of the electors were strongly imbued with liberal principles, and in every section where they offered to debate the questions before the country, found that they had opponents amongst the people fully equal to themselves in political knowledge or in ability to make it known to others, and the result at that election proved that Maryborough was no longer under the leading strings of a few demagogues who assumed the control in all matters political or municipal. Finding that their power over the people was on the wane, something must be done; preparations were, therefore, made to secure, if possible, full control over township affairs by putting in men of their own stamp at the municipal elections. Accordingly our worthy Township Council appointed docile tools as Returning Officers except in one Ward, the 4th, where, for want of a man of their own kind, capable of using the pen, they had to appoint another. They had a Clerk who deliberately left off the Voters' Lists between 70 and 80 names of those who, it was feared, would not go with them. They had a Collector who took advantage of that most obnoxious clause, concerning the payment of taxes by the 16th December, who deliberately misled a large number of the ratepayers who were known to be unfavorable to the great loyal party, per excellence, and who as assiduously drummed up his friends to have their taxes paid in sufficient time. Suffice it to say, that the result was that all the Conservative party had their taxes paid, and nearly a hundred of the party of progress and good government were disfranchised for non-payment of taxes, including a large number of the most enterprising and wealthy men of the township. Such was the result of the bold manoeuvres of our unscrupulous Collector. With all these disadvantages, however, five men were nominated for municipal honors in the interests of popular rights against five in the interests of the Orange clique, and the electors returned three Reformers and two Deformers, or Conservatives. But this was very unsatisfactory to the leading demagogues, and the election must be upset. Our grand Conservative representative at Ottawa was duly consulted, and as he was to give them his aid, duly bargained for on a previous occasion at a low price, writs of *quo warrantis* were issued against the three Reformers, the case having come before the Judge in Chambers and fairly argued, the decision was, in consequence of the gross partiality of the Clerk and Collector, that the two Councilors should retain their seats, and that a new election be ordered in the case of the Deputy Reeve, and giving them the bill of costs to settle. This was rather too bad. The leaders of our great loyal party could not understand how it was that a Judge could not wink at the *quo warrantis* irregularities and necessary malpractices of their officers in preparing for the election.

The new Council in the meantime had passed a By-law appointing several township officers, the principal being the Clerk, the Collector, and the Assessor, each of them men of good standing, of experience, and having a stake in the township. But this did not suit the demagogues. Such men could not be made their pliant tools, therefore they must be got rid of. The Reeve refused to sign the By-law, and by so doing he thought he could set at naught the action of the Council. Finding however, that he could not take his seat at the Council without a certificate from the Clerk, under the Corporate seal, he was sorely exercised in scheming to get possession of the seal, and many were the devices he contrived to obtain it. Failing that, he had to take a certificate from the very Clerk he refused to acknowledge as such, and having been intrusted by the Judge with carrying up the Assessment Roll to deliver to the Clerk, he failed to deliver it until he found he was handling dangerous tools, and that he was likely to get into trouble. As has been said, a new election for Deputy Reeve was ordered. The Returning Officers were again duly instructed. The new Clerk, however, made out the Voters' Lists, giving every man a vote according to law, but the Collector also handed in to their sycophant tools, the Returning Officers, a list of those known to be disaffected who had not paid their taxes, and accordingly such votes were rejected. In making their returns, three of the Returning Officers refused to verify them according to statute. The two returns properly verified gave Mr. Robertson a large majority. The total vote polled, including the rejected votes, many of which were good, also gave Mr. Robertson a considerable majority. The Clerk was thus at a loss what best to do. He finally came to the conclusion that it would be better to give the whole vote as duly sworn to, and declare Mr. Robertson elected accordingly. The strange perversity of the three Returning Officers, who had acted the part of the

to verify their returns, had utterly spoiled their plans, and now Mr. Robertson was again declared to be Deputy Reeve. To their lawyer in Elora as they went again, and two days after that time two of the Returning Officers—Thompson and Johnston—accompanied by Mannell, the Collector, make their way to the Clerk's office. Thompson, acting as fore-runner, enters the office a little before them, and engages in pleasant converse with the Clerk, he, poor man, thinking that he had come to do a little necessary private business that lay between them. But characteristic like, he had another and more important little game to play. On the entrance of the aforesaid trio, Mannell asked for a sight of the poll book for the second electoral division, and Johnston in like manner asked for a sight of his poll book, both of which were handed to them. No sooner in their hands than Thompson and Johnston commenced to adhibit a paper, which they each had, to the poll books, Henderson assisting by taking a mucilage brush and giving such other help as was needed. The clerk in the meantime commanded them to desist, as the law would hold them guilty of a misdemeanor. After accomplishing their purpose they returned the clerk that they wanted to swear to their poll books. The clerk asked them to read it, and having done so he told them that that oath was perfectly satisfactory, and had they offered to do that in proper time all this trouble would have been averted. But as he had already made his declaration, he did not see how he could alter it, believing that the law did not allow a Returning Officer to make two different returns of the same election. The Clerk, however, made a special return of the poll books thus verified to the Reeve, putting them in full possession of the facts of all the case. On the following day, the 22nd February, a meeting of Council was held at Huston. A large number of the deeply interested were in attendance. It was faintly hoped that the Clerk would change his mind, and declare Maxwell elected on the returns made by the delinquent Returning Officers; but no. He asked permission from the Council to state the whole facts of the case. This being granted, he gave the naked facts, fully and fairly, concluding by requesting that they would authorize him to take competent legal advice as to the proper course to pursue under the very peculiar circumstances of the case. But no, that did not suit their purpose, they must have the law on their right or wrong. Coaxing, bullying, threatening were all time and again resorted to by the Councilmen and their prompters to make the Clerk do an illegal act. Finding that all efforts to accomplish that were unavailing they were forced to adjourn till the following Thursday, the 27th, so that the Clerk might have time to obtain legal advice on his own responsibility. Thursday arrived, and the great snow storm intervened, stopping all travel and mail communication. The Council met, however, according to appointment, but the Clerk had failed to get the advice expected by reason of the storm, so that he was unable to take upon himself to do anything else than that he had already done. The whole fraternity were in a rage to be thus baffled. "Let Maxwell take his seat," was the cry, and the Reeve was unable to do any thing but comply with their terms to put Maxwell in the Deputy Reeve's chair. The Reeve, however, did not altogether like the position his masters were driving him into. He did not see that the law gave him any authority in the matter, but law or no law, it was the *fait accompli* of the demagogues that Maxwell should go in, and so after wriggling and squirming to get out of it, the poor Reeve was compelled to say that Maxwell was Deputy Reeve, and desired him to take his place. The oath of qualification and of office were then required of Maxwell, and would you believe it, he haughtily threw out of his pocket, already subscribed and sworn to before hand, and counter-signed by whom do you think? Why by John D. Johnson, Reeve, thus showing conclusively that the whole thing was predetermined and arranged. He followed the lead of appointing new officers, the men who had served them so well in their extremity must be rewarded for their dirty work; therefore Moore and Mannell were hoisted into their old places with the hope that they would be both as able and as willing to serve their masters as they had shown themselves to be heretofore.

Such, Mr. Editor, is a brief sketch of the situation in Maryborough. Hoping I have not too far intruded upon your space.

A LOVE OF FAIR PLAY.

Maryborough, 3rd March, 1867.

A Snow-Storm Incident.

"Man's inhumanity to man makes countless thousands mourn."

MR. EDITOR,—We have some queer folk in this Garrafax of ours. On Feb. 24th, that memorable stormy Monday evening, at 10 o'clock, Mr. Henry Patton, a respectable farmer from Erin, having been detained by an accident to one of his horses, found himself and his companions (two women and a child six weeks old) at a house of entertainment in this township—the roads all blocked up, and his money spent. Telling the landlord who he was and what his circumstances were, he requested lodging for the night and offered to pay all charges at an early day, but was very coolly informed by Boniface that such charges could find no accommodation there. Mr. Patton very reluctantly betook himself to the road once more, and with great exertion, sometimes up to the arms in the snow, at other times with his team unhitched and breaking the road, he managed to cross two concessions in 4 hours, arriving between 2 and 3 o'clock a. m. of Tuesday at a private house, just in time to save the life of the poor infant, whose days were nearly over in spite of all its mother's care and regardlessness of self. Permit me, in closing, to hint that there is some business on hand for the Tavern Inspector. Moreover, our efficient Council should see to it that such men be not permitted, for a \$20 consideration, to prey upon and ill use unoffending travellers.
Yours, &c. RESIDENT.

Toronto has a Dry Goods Salesmen's Association, which meets for mutual benefit and literary improvement. The question now under consideration is: "Has the love of money exercised greater influence over mankind than the love of money?"

BY TELEGRAPH

Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

The British Parliament.

DEBATE ON THE ALABAMA CLAIMS.

Prospect of a Speedy Settlement of the Question.

THE FENIAN PRISONERS

BY ATLANTIC CABLE.

Queenstown, March 7, 3 p. m.—Steamers *Cambria* and *Wau Penn*, from New York, have arrived.

London, March 7.—In the House of Commons last evening, Mr. Shaw Lefevre member for Reading, called up the *Alabama* claims. He made a long speech on the subject, in which he urged the settlement of this vexed question on the part proposed by the American Government. In calling for the papers on the subject, and moving for the consideration of the question, he disclaimed any feeling of prejudice. All future negotiations, he said, would add to the complications already existing. He sketched the progress of the recent civil war in the United States to its happy termination. He said the fall of Fort Sumter evoked the famous proclamation of President Lincoln. In less than a month after the appearance of that proclamation, Great Britain had recognized the Southern insurgents as belligerents; they had no fleet, but they purchased their ships in our ports. These ships, notwithstanding the vigorous measures of our Government to stop them, eluded our vigilance and went to sea, and were hospitably received at British colonial ports. They captured and destroyed during the war more than two hundred American merchant vessels in less than two years, and the United States flag was literally driven from the seas, while the commerce of Great Britain was doubled. For this reason, the speaker thought we ought to treat their claims generously. They were first made in 1862, by the American Minister, Mr. Adams. After a warm eulogium on the course of Mr. Adams on this and other questions, Mr. Lefevre continued that an arbitration of the matter had been proposed by the American Government, but was refused by Lord Russell, who repelled the suggestion. Lord Stanley might have taken another course, as the Tories had changed their views on the question of household suffrage. The question of recognition by England was only as to her right, if there were a right that might be safely referred, but Lord Stanley insisted that the responsibility of England was only a moral one in the *Alabama* case. The speaker thought the loss said about morality on this question the better. He regarded the breaking out of a war between England and the United States as extremely unlikely, but thought on the other hand, that all needless irritations should be shunned.

Lord Stanley then took the floor. He praised the pacific tone of the oration of Mr. Lefevre, and warmly complimented Mr. Adams for the conciliatory spirit he had displayed in the subject discussed. He said we could not make indiscriminate concessions, but we could learn the right of the case. There never was a case where there was more need to understand points; much allowance was to be made to the feelings of the United States. Great Britain, in the same case, with five hundred millions of debt, contracted through a civil war, in which a million lives had been lost, might appreciate matters better than mere lookers-on. Only he thought England entirely neutral, but no neutrality would have pleased America. What the United States wanted was neutrality coupled with warm sympathy and support. The Queen was ready to arbitrate and submit all questions but the great point of recognizing the belligerent rights of the South. Nobody contends that at no time the South acquired them. If not, why deny the right of Great Britain to recognize them at the time she did? The confederate ship *Alabama* did not sail from England until 1862, and the battle of Bull Run was fought in 1861. Admitting that it was wrong for Great Britain to recognize the South, would the United States Government say that its case against the *Alabama* had been altered, had Great Britain made a declaration of neutrality six rather than eleven months before she sailed? The speaker referred to the speech of Daniel Webster in the United States Senate, on the subject of recognizing Hungary, in support of argument. How could England refuse to recognize a war which Mr. Seward himself had announced to be a civil war nine, twelve or sixteen days before the proclamation. Who could complain that England had recognized the civil war which the U. S. had admitted some weeks before? In conclusion, he thought a friendly arrangement of the difficultly still practicable. He deprecated the debate; the friendly reception of Mr. Thornton at Washington was a pledge of peace. The Ministers are ready to leave the question to the people of the entire world.

Mr. W. E. Forster, member for Bradford, thought that Mr. Seward's view of the question of the recognition of the *Alabama* claims deserved better treatment and more careful consideration, as being perhaps the view that was right and sensible. He complained of the abrupt disposition of the question which had been made when the universal wish in the U. Kingdom was for its speedy settlement. He thought that had any influential statesman been sent to the United States as Minister, the point in dispute might be readily adjusted.

Mr. John Stuart Mill, member for Westminster, was the next speaker. He regarded the present condition of the question as the result of a mutual mistake. The real question was whether England was bound to prevent such expeditions as that of the *Alabama*. He denied that the United States Government claimed or could claim the recognition of the South as a violation of the law, but only that it was an unfriendly, rash and unprecedented act. The American Government only pressed

but for the unfriendly action of England, the *Alabama* depredations would not have occurred. Mr. Mill thought that an arbitrator between the two countries was needed, and that reparation was fairly due to the United States. He concluded by advising the appointment of a mixed commission for the proper adjustment of the question.

Mr. W. E. Gladstone, member for South Lancashire, moved by Lefevre for his able speech, and Lord Stanley for his temperate reply. He (Mr. Gladstone) could not see why the negotiations were ended, nor why he agreed with Mr. Mill that Lord Stanley had admitted that reparation was due, or that an arbitrator would surely decide against England. For himself, he doubted if reparation for the *Alabama* depredations was due the United States. It was unquestionably right that the point should be referred to a commission, but if the Government feared such a reference, it should settle the matter at once or leave the decision with an umpire. Mr. Gladstone inferred however, from the closing sentences of Lord Stanley, that communications between the two Governments were not closed, and that friendly feelings between the United States and England would be preserved. He concluded by saying if his inference was correct, the whole country would support Lord Stanley in a just and honorable settlement of the case. The debate ended with Mr. Gladstone's remarks.

London, March 7.—Nearly all the leading papers have editorialized this morning on the debate in the House of Commons last evening on the *Alabama* question. The *Times* says the debate must convince the United States government that England wishes to settle the law in this case in the American sense, and that the failure of Great Britain to refer the *Alabama* claims to arbitration is due to no desire to shrink her just obligations. Mr. Seward has only to meet Lord Stanley in a like spirit, to end the misunderstanding. The tone of the articles in the other journals is generally the same.

It is reported that the Fenian prisoners who were captured recently at Danagarvan, were offered their pardons on condition that they would give their parole to leave the kingdom. It is further reported they unanimously refused to do so. A double guard has been placed around Newgate, where Bark, Casey and Shaw are confined. The trials have been set down for next month.

American Despatches.

St. Louis, March 8.—An accident occurred on the Missouri and Pacific Railroad, near Jefferson City, on Friday, and an engine was upset into Missouri river, killing the engineer and fireman.

Chicago, March 8th.—Rains of the past two days extend all over the northwest, and a general freshet is now in progress. Already much of the country is flooded and some damage is reported.

Washington, March 8.—The Sergeant-at-Arms of Senate waited upon President Johnson at four o'clock yesterday afternoon and served upon him a summons to appear before the Court of Impeachment. The President replied that he would attend to the matter. Impeachment managers on part of the House have been examining reporters on some of President Johnson's speeches, and other reporters have been sent to testify before them.

St. Louis despatches from Omaha say the Missouri River is now open to that point, and steamers have arrived at Council Bluffs. A severe snow storm occurred at Denver and Cheyenne, and along the Pacific Railroad as far east as Fort Kearney on Thursday and Friday last. The railroad is blocked for many miles, and no trains reached Omaha since Friday. It is reported from Fort Laramie that several thousand Indians were gathered in that neighborhood to hold a Council with the peace commissioners. They insist upon the abandonment of the Powder River country by the Government, but they appear more friendly than last fall.

New York, March 9th.—*Tribune's* New Orleans special says the opposition city papers are still up and doing for the conduct of Jeff Davis and Hancock on the occasion of the Fenian's parade. Not one of them condemns it. Gen. Hancock's policy seems still more ruinous. City notes have depreciated to 25c. discount, and a panic exists in the city. The Mayor, anticipating trouble, issued a proclamation to-day indirectly charging Gen. Hancock and leading Liberals here with the responsibility of any event that may occur. The people are anxiously hoping that Grant will send a safer and abler commander to minister affairs in the district.

New York, March 9.—*Herald's* Japan correspondence, Jan. 4th, says Commodore Goldsborough had assumed command of the fleet in the China seas, in place of the deceased Admiral Bell. The English fleet, as well as the American, half-masted all their flags and fired nine guns during the funeral.

New York, March 9th.—*Herald's* special says Jeremiah S. Black, Attorney-General Stanbury, and R. Curtis, of Mass., have been positively determined upon as counsel for the President in his impending trial. *Times* special says Gen. Hancock's last request to be relieved from command at St. Louis has been laid before the President for his action, and will probably be denied.

The old "Victoria" was called upon to do duty this morning, having been employed to pump the water out of some of the cellars on Quebec street.

COOL.—The Montreal "Telegraph" has the following advertisement: "\$250 REWARD.—The Quebec Bank will pay the above reward to any person for information which will lead to the recovery of a one thousand dollar bag of silver taken from the teller between the 6th and 30th instant. If \$750 is returned, no questions will be asked." Cool, very! It has come to a pretty pass when Bankers offer a premium for rashness.

A SHOWER OF IMPROVEMENTS.—The N. Y. *Herald* says:—According to the old proverb, "It never rains but it pours," and the sprinkling of articles of impeachment which congress has scattered over the devoted head of the President of the United States has been followed by a shower of impeachments that has fallen upon a New York Canal Commissioner, and Superintendent Kennedy, and two unlucky policemen! Will not some benevolent Noah build an ark, in which President and Superintendent and policemen may all take refuge until the deluge shall be over and a cheerful rainbow shall again shine in our sky?

TRIMPHS UPON TRIMPHS.

Some months ago, during the Parliamentary elections, a flaming article appeared in the Advertiser, headed "Triumphs upon Triumphs," in which that excitable and over sanguine sheet predicted such extraordinary successes to the Ministerialists as even to astonish their most ardent friends.

servatives hold different opinions. This is the view which the "Advertiser" has advocated all along, and "time but the impression deeper makes" that it is the correct view. Let our readers can judge for themselves.

With the Life Association of Scotland. Agent for Guelph, WILLIAM SMITH, Manager Gore Bank.

New Advertisements.

Cordwood Wanted.

WANTED Thirty Cords of good, second Beech and Maple Cordwood (green). Apply at once to C. & A. SHARPE, Seesamara, Guelph, 9th March, 1868.

SPEED LODGE, NO. 180.

THE next regular Communication of this Lodge will be held in the NEW MASONIC HALL, over the Bank of Commerce, on TUESDAY EVENING, March 10th, when a full and punctual attendance of the members is requested.

BISCUITS

ABERNETHY, SODA, LEMON, WINE, ARROWROOT, GINGER NUTS, CABIN, &c.

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NOTICE.

HAVING sold out my stock at "Bradford House" and Book-accounts to Mr. Philip Bish, all parties indebted to me on book account will pay the amount to Mr. Bish.

TAVERN LICENSES

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

GRAND MILITARY CONCERT!

BY THE KIND PERMISSION OF COLONEL B. JENNYS, C. B., and Officers of the 13th HUSSARS

UNRIVALLED BAND

of the Regiment will give a PROMENADE CONCERT IN THE DRILL SHED, GUELPH.

SEVERAL AMATEURS

Of Guelph, have kindly consented to assist on the occasion.

SALE OF TWO FARMS

IN PUSLINCHE. FOR Sale by PRIVATE BARGAIN two farms in Puslinch.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

THE Partnership heretofore existing between HOGG & CHANCE, Dry Goods Merchants in Guelph, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

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TOWN HALL, Tuesday next, 10th of March.

Dissolution of Co-Partnership

TAKE NOTICE that the Partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

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Guelph Evening Mercury

OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET.

MONDAY EV'G, MARCH 9, 1868.

The Maiden's Choice

OR, THE LAIRD OF HIRKENCLOUGH.

A Tale of the Covenanters.

As she took it from him, Helen looked wistfully into his cold, grave, reproachful face, and longed to snatch his hand to her lips, but he sternly turned from her, and, taking his lawyer's arm, quitted the vestry without another word.

CHAPTER XIX.—THE PACKET AND ITS CONTENTS.—AMAZING REVELATIONS.

From the scene of noisy revelry which followed immediately on the return of the bridal party to Hirkenclough Helen gladly retired at as early a moment as possible. It was her very ungenial scene, for there were none of her own sex with whom she could converse, and the occurrences of the day, together with the momentous nature of her new position, had made her nervous in the extreme, and wishful for retirement, reflection, and repose.

Leaving, therefore, the boisterous merry-makers in the halls below, she quietly withdrew to the apartment which had already been shown to her as hers. It was the same which had been occupied by Marion when she became the wife of Walter Elliot, and was therefore in a quiet and retired part of the mansion. Here the excitement which had already been shown to her as hers. It was the same which had been occupied by Marion when she became the wife of Walter Elliot, and was therefore in a quiet and retired part of the mansion.

It was something like this anguish which Helen Cringan had to endure as she sat at the window of her solitary room, and watched the events of the day—of Sir Gilbert's cold, reproachful demeanour, and of the frightful vision which had presented itself to her eye in the dark corner of the church. She had come to the conclusion that the stern and cold face of Richard Wayland, which had glared upon her for a moment, was nothing more than a vision which her fancy had conjured up; but, vision though she deemed it, it had given her a terrible shock, and now that she had time calmly to reflect on it, the whole past connected with her love for him, her betrothal to him, and separation from him, passed painfully through her mind, and filled her with a sorrow so great, and a regret so poignant that with a sudden start she rose to her feet, stung with a feeling of self-reproach.

"I am wrong in this," she said. "Such thoughts, such indulgences in a woman whose duty demands her to be calm, is sinful in itself, and doubly unlawful in the wife of Captain Allan. I must not seem, even to myself, to love Richard Wayland with the love which my heart once gave him. He is my brother, the son of my mother, and therefore I must think of him with no other feelings than those of a sister. Strange that my hard rebellious heart should refuse to accept this requirement, and would refuse, if it dared, to offer its affection so as to suit the discovery that has been made. I must school it; I must command it. 'Twere false to my husband to do less than this. No, Richard! henceforth you must come into my thoughts only in the form of a brother's image; and, alas! even as brother and sister who never knew each other. Well, while we walk in the dark shadows of earth we must bear their sorrow. When earth is past, and the clear eternal light shines upon us, we shall no longer see as through a glass darkly, but face to face, and know even as we are known. Heaven grant me patience to wait, and resignation to bear, till then."

She laid her hand on her bosom to press it against her throbbing heart, and it came upon the packet she had received from Sir Gilbert Barton. Till that moment she had quite forgot about this packet—her state of mind being such when it was put into her hand as to make the circumstance, and indeed all that took place in the session-house, like a shadowy dream. But now that she felt it in her bosom, the matter returned to her recollection, and she became curious to know what the packet might contain.

She drew it forth, and found it closed with black wax, and sealed with Lady Barton's seal. It was also addressed thus on the back in her Ladyship's handwriting—

"FOR HELEN CRINGAN—TO BE GIVEN TO HER ON HER WEDDING DAY."

Helen broke the seal, and on opening the outer envelope, she found it to enclose three separate papers, numbered one, two, three, with a slip directing them "to be read in order." In obedience to this injunction, she unfolded the number one, and saw that it was not in Lady Barton's handwriting, but in one more delicate—one which she had seldom seen, but which she at once, with a throbbing of joy, recognized to be HER MOTHER'S.

TO BE CONTINUED.

ED. RYERSON'S SPECIAL REPORT ON EDUCATION.—The day before the close of the session, the Hon. M. C. Cameron, Provincial Secretary, presented to the Legislative Assembly a special report from the Reverend Dr. Ryerson, on the system and state of popular education in several countries of Europe and the United States of America, with practical suggestions for the improvement of public instruction in Upper Canada.

On the outside of the back of the report is a summary table of contents as follows—Brief account, with comparative views and practical remarks, of the system and state of popular education in France, Holland, Belgium, Prussia, Switzerland, Baden, Wurtemberg, Bavaria, Austria, Saxony, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Ireland, Scotland, England, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio. Practical suggestions for the improvement of public instruction in Upper Canada. At the close of his note to Mr. Cameron, transmitting his special report, Dr. Ryerson intimates his intention to make a separate report on institutions for the deaf and dumb and blind, with suggestions.

It is reported that the Government have in contemplation the raising of a considerable sum from excise on crude and refined petroleum.

Auction Sale

OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.

MR. W. S. G. KNOWLES has been instructed by A. MACNABER, Esq., late Manager of the Bank of Montreal, Guelph, to offer for sale

At the Bank of Montreal, in GUELPH, on

THURSDAY, 19th of MARCH,

1868, his household furniture, consisting of Drawing room sofas and spring chairs, centre table, easy chairs, Canterbury window seats, handsome dinner table, side table, smoking chair, iron do., a handsome drawing room Brussels carpet, bedroom furniture, spring mattresses, hair mattresses, bureau, toilet glasses, mirrors, cooking stove, and utensils, kitchen furniture, a handsome dinner set and tea set, lamps, china, crockery, glassware, and numerous personal and miscellaneous effects. Also

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Guelph, March 6, 1868. d w 314

Boarding and Day School for Young Ladies.

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1868.

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No. 4, Day's Old Block, Gordon Street, Guelph, July 31, 1868. d w D. MOLTON

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Guelph, 26th Feb. 1868. d

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

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Christmas Presents,

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

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Parties

The Silver Question and the Banks.
 The Montreal Gazette, in its commercial article has the following with reference to the silver difficulty, which may be interesting to our business men:—"A circular letter was issued during the week by the Committee who have charge of the silver movement, in which they state that they have \$100,000 worth of their credit in the vaults of the Bank of Montreal, which institution has undertaken to ship it, and all offered, out of the country. This is a step in the right direction, but unless supplemented by direct action on the part of the banks, in whose interest, be it remembered, the whole movement is directed, will not, however laudible, amount to a drop in the bucket. The public has a right to insist that these institutions should render the Committee some material assistance, and unless that be done it will certainly hold their managers responsible if the whole affair should result in a fiasco. The country is crying out for more paper, and something will have to be done to oil the financial machinery. The raid on the silver is calculated to do this—enable the banks to expand and discount a little more freely, and it is clearly within the province of the banks to bear a hand."

At Edinburgh, Scotland, recently, a meeting was held for the purpose of securing additional representation for Scotland in the British House of Commons. It was claimed that on every basis of calculation Scotland should have twenty-five more members than she has, and that fifteen more ought to be insisted upon.

The investigation into the circumstances of the death of the late Dr. Patton of Montreal, develops the probability that he committed suicide from remorse, in having caused the death of a young girl in the attempt to procure an abortion. The name of the unfortunate girl was Galbraith, and her seducer, Robert Notman, who is supposed to have taken part in the fatal attempt, has been arrested.

A TERRIBLE POISONING CASE.—A Mrs. Manion, of Arm street, Toronto, has been arrested on suspicion of having administered poison to her husband and three children. The story goes that she was awakened in the course of Saturday night by the crying of one of the children which died in her arms about ten minutes afterwards. She made one effort to rouse her husband, but failing to do so she let him sleep on, and called in no assistance until six o'clock in the morning, when she secured the services of a physician, who found all the family with the exception of the mother herself under the influence of a strong narcotic poison. He adopted such remedial measures as placed them beyond the reach of immediate danger. An inquest was held on the body of the child that had expired, but the affair has not yet been sufficiently cleared up to let it be known whether the mother was the cause of the shocking catastrophe. The enquiry was postponed until the other members of the family had rallied sufficiently to render it judicious to accept their testimony. Suspicion has been directed against the mother by her known amours with another man, and the neglect of her husband, who is 57 years of age, and her senior by some 20 years.

Petrolia is the only oil region in Canada where production is going on, and with oil almost unobtainable at 30 to 40 cents a barrel, a total suspension must take place there. Its 2,000 inhabitants have been reduced to less than one half, and property has ceased to smile on the village. The *Valley* is detested, and the material of the *Standard* is advertised for sale.

We have reason to believe, says the Montreal Gazette, that there will be no lack of employment in this city next spring and summer for the laboring and artisan classes, as an unusually large number of buildings will be erected and, in fact, are now being contracted for. Confidence in the great future of this city has become an article of faith with many of our capitalists, and real estate still seems to be the favorite mode of investment.

COMMERCIAL.

The Guelph Markets.

MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH, March 8, 1868.

Flour, 100 lbs	8 75	or	8 40
Full Wheat, 10 bush	1 65	or	1 70
Spring Wheat 10 bush	1 55	or	1 57
Oats, 10 bush	0 56	or	0 57
Peas, do	0 75	or	0 80
Barley, do	1 05	or	1 10
Hay, 1000	1 00	or	1 00
Straw	4 00	or	5 00
Shingles, 10 square	1 00	or	1 50
Wood, 10 cord	3 00	or	3 50
Wood, 10 cord	0 27	or	0 20
Eggs, 10 dozen	0 14	or	0 15
Butter, 10 lb	1 10	or	1 18
Groceries, each	0 25	or	0 30
Duck, 10 pair	0 50	or	0 60
Chicken, 10 pair	0 20	or	0 25
Duck, do	0 30	or	0 25
Potatoes	0 60	or	0 70
Apples, 10 barrel	2 00	or	2 00
Lamb, 10 lb	0 08	or	0 07
Beef	4 50	or	6 00
Apple, 10 barrel	0 05	or	0 08
Pork, 100 lbs	5 00	or	5 25
Sheep Pelts, each	0 50	or	0 75
Lambskins	0 40	or	0 45
Hides	0 60	or	0 60

Money Market.

JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE, Guelph, March 8, 1868.
 Gold, 140.
 Greenbacks 10¢ at 70¢ to 71¢; sold at 71¢ to 74¢.
 Silver bought at 41¢ to 42¢; sold at 39¢ to 41¢.
 Upper Canada Bank Bills bought at 62¢ to 63¢.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

Kirkwood, Livingstone & Co's report by Special Telegraph to "Evening Mercury."
 MONTREAL, March 8, 1868.
 Flour—Fancy, \$7 00 to \$7 75; Superfine No. 1, \$7 45 to \$7 60; Welland Canal, \$7 65. Bag Flour, \$5 60 to \$5 75. Oats \$3 50 to \$3 75. Barley \$1 10 to \$1 30. Butter—dairy 17¢ to 18¢; store packed 16¢ to 20¢. Ashes—Pot 25¢ to 45¢; Pearl 35¢ to 50¢.

TORONTO, March 7, 1868.

Flour—Receipts, 1400 bbls; No. 1, at \$7 00 or \$7 10; Full Wheat, \$1 80; Spring Wheat, \$1 05 to \$1 04. Oats, 55¢. Barley, \$1 25 to \$1 22. Peas, 85¢.

HAMILTON, March 7, 1868.

Full wheat, \$1 05 to \$1 15; spring do, \$1 05 to \$1 00 per bushel. Barley—\$1 to \$1 15. Oats—2 to 65¢. Peas—85¢ to 90¢. Pork—\$6 00 to \$6 50.

GUELPH LUMBER MARKET.

(Corrected by Messrs. Gowdy & Stewart, of Wellington Lumber Yard.)

Clear 1 1/2 and 2 inch Plank from \$20 00 to \$25 00	
1 inch Boards	12 00 to 10 00
1 1/2 inch Boards	15 00 to 18 00
Common 1 1/2 and 2 inch Plank	14 00 to 16 00
1 1/2 inch Boards and 2 1/2 inch Plank	9 00 to 10 00
8 and 10 all sizes up to 16 feet	10 00 to 14 00
and Joisting from 18 to 20 feet	12 00 to 16 00
22 to 30 feet	15 00 to 18 00
ingles No 1 Saw	1 95 to 2 00
" 2 Cut	1 70 to 1 75
" 3 Cut	1 10 to 1 15
" Split	1 50 to 1 75
" 4 Cut	0 40 to 0 45

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Sworn before me at a notary public office, in Consecon, C.W., this 2nd day of March, 1867.
 J. M. CAMAN, J. P.
 A Commissioner in and for the County of Prince Edward, C.W.



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