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W. BURGESS BEG leaves to inform his friends and the public of the Guelph and surrounding country that having received a large lot of PLATES suitable for

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

REDUCED PRICES. Parties wishing to make presents of Photographs to their friends should call at once.

W. BURGESS Sale of Real Estate.

In the matter of Partition between John Carroll and Martin Dooley, and Ellen McDonald and others.

IN pursuance of an order made by the County Court of the County of Wellington in this matter, the Real Estate comprised in the County of Wellington will be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION, to the highest bidder, at his Chambers, at the Court House, in the Town of Guelph.

Notice to Debtors. ALL parties indebted to the undersigned, either by note or book account, are requested to settle on or before the 25th January, 1868. All unsettled accounts after the above date will be placed in the Division Court for collection.

NEW LAW OFFICE. FREEMAN & FREEMAN BARRISTERS AND ATTORNEYS. SOLICITORS IN CHANCERY, CONVEYANCERS, &c.

Evening Mercury. OFFICE: - MACDONNELL STREET. FRIDAY EV'NG, JAN 24, 1868.

Local News.

EMPLOYMENT WANTED. Two men willing to act in any capacity as labourers or general servants. Character excellent. Apply at this office, or to N. Higinbotham, Guelph, Jan. 24th, 1868.

Wheat is selling in Georgetown at \$1.70 per bushel, and hay at from \$12 to \$12.50 per ton.

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SENTENCE COMMUTED.—Ackridge who was convicted of rape at the fall assizes at Goderich has had his sentence commuted to imprisonment for life in the penitentiary.

CLOUDS.—Mr. A. O. Buchan has just received a stock of ladies' clouds sufficient to cover the heads of all the dear creatures in Guelph and within ten miles round from the unceremonious salutations of Jack Frost.

AGAINST MR. COWAN.—The Globe of Monday had an article against the appointment of Mr. James Cowan to the vacant Senatorship, and is in favour of Mr. Benson, now a member of the House of Commons for Lincoln, who was formerly a member of the Legislative Council.

THEATRICAL BENEFIT.—The London Dramatic Club intend giving a theatrical entertainment for the benefit of the Nova Scotia fishermen. They are going to bring Fisher's well known "Handy Andy" on the boards, to be followed by the famed "Slasher and Crusher."

ROBBERIES.—On Tuesday night last, a valuable horse, the property of Mr. W. Vollett, of Durham, was stolen from the stable of Nagle's Hotel, Owen Sound Road. The thief got off clear with his booty. On the same night the butcher shop of Messrs. Crossin & Lund, of Mount Forest, was broken open and eight cans of oysters stolen.

HUSSAR KILLED.—A private of the 13th Hussars was killed at Montreal on Tuesday night, by falling down a flight of stairs in the barracks. The stairs were on the outside of the quarters, and were slippery from the carrying of water up them, and from snow which had been allowed to accumulate.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE IN ELMA.—The barn of Mr. Joseph Davidson, 1st concession of Elma, together with its contents was totally destroyed by fire on the evening of Friday the 17th inst. The contents consisted of nearly the whole of last year's crop, three horses, sixteen sheep, and several calves. Nothing was saved, and the origin of the fire is a mystery. The loss is about \$2000, insured for \$500.

NORTH WATERLOO AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The members of this society held their annual meeting on Saturday last in Froehlich's Hall. The following officers for the current year were elected: President, John McDougall, Esq.; 1st Vice President, John M. Campbell, 2nd, Sheriff Davidson; Secretary, M. Spingler, Auditors, W. H. G. Knowles and S. Roy; Directors, Wellesley, W. Scott and D. Petch; Waterloo, H. Snyder and Isaac Wilson; Woolwich, C. Strick and W. Glennie; Berlin, John Fennell.

THE FIRE EXTINGUISHER.—A very interesting and successful experiment was tried with the Patent Fire Extinguisher on Wednesday afternoon, on the premises of David Allan, Esq. A large quantity of shavings, saturated with coal oil, and covered over with pine boards, cedar, etc. was allowed to burn for several minutes, when the Real Holden brought one of the Extinguishers (small size) to bear, and in about four minutes completely extinguished every vestige of fire. Mr. Sheriff Davidson of Berlin, the Mayor and Messrs. Chas Davidson, John McCrae, D. Allan, and others, were present and expressed themselves much pleased with the result.

CURLING.—A curling match is to be played on Monday next, on the ice above Goldie's mills, between the following hotel keepers.—On the one side Messrs. Nichols, O'Connor, Duddy, Bihyan and Oakes; and on the other Messrs. Goulson, Ellis, Bookless, Lindsay and Hower. The stakes consist of an oyster supper.

TERRIBLE OUTRAGE AT BRAMPTON.—The following outrage was perpetrated on Tuesday evening, at Alexander's Inn in Alton, county of Peel.—A man who had been suffering from delirium tremens was lying on the floor in front of the fire place, and some young men coming in, kindled some shavings round his body, and he was burned to death. Further particulars will be elicited at the Coroner's inquest.

Nassagaweya Township Council. The municipal Council met at the Town Hall on Monday, the 20th day of January, at noon, according to statute and signed the necessary qualifications of office, viz:—Archibald Campbell, Reeve; John Ramsey, Deputy Reeve; Benjamin H. Keen, John Kean, Geo. Easterbrook, Councilors. Mr. Ramsey moved, seconded by Mr. Easterbrook, that the Clerk be instructed to apportion the taxes due on lot No. 32 in the fifth concession of this township, viz: \$5.00 on the south-east half and \$5.48 on the north-west half of said lot. Mr. Ramsey moved, seconded by Mr. J. Kean, that the Collector be instructed to receive from Mr. J. Claffy for the present year, including certain arrears on his lands. Mr. Ramsey moved, seconded by Mr. Easterbrook, that John Dunaven be instructed to get legal advice concerning the road in dispute, being the cross road between lots 10 and 11 in the 1st concession of this township, and report the same to the next meeting of this Council. Mr. Ramsey moved, seconded by Mr. J. Kean, that the Clerk be instructed to notify the County Treasurer to erase the taxes charged against the north quarter of lot No. 31 in the 6th con. of this township, the said parcel of land having been assessed to T. Claffy for the years charged. Mr. Ramsey moved, seconded by Mr. B. H. Keen, that the petition of T. B. Winn and others, asking aid for Charles Coon; also the petition of D. Dudgeon and others, asking aid for Widow Bardwell and others, be received and read. Mr. Ramsey moved, seconded by Mr. Easterbrook, that the sum of \$8 be granted to Robert Barber to be expended in support of Charles Coon, an indigent person; also the sum of \$10 to John Roberts, in aid of Widow Bardwell and family. Mr. Keen moved, seconded by Mr. Ramsey, that Robert Barber be appointed Auditor for the current year. To leave then appointed Wm. J. Player to be the other Auditor. Mr. Ramsey moved, seconded by Mr. Easterbrook, for leave to introduce a By-law for the appointment of township officers for the current year, and that the same be read a first and second time. By-law read accordingly. Mr. Ramsey moved, seconded by Mr. J. Kean, that the taxes of John Lamb be remitted to him in consequence of loss he sustained in the burning of his barn, and also the taxes of John Stewart, being aged and infirm. Mr. Ramsey moved, seconded by Mr. B. H. Keen, that the sum of \$12.50 be paid to D. Easton for damages done to sheep by dogs, the claim being duly certified. Mr. J. Kean moved, seconded by Mr. Ramsey, that the sum of \$20 be granted to W. McKee, to assist in opening a road from his place to the townline. Mr. Easterbrook moved, seconded by Mr. B. H. Keen, that the sum of \$30, payable from the interest of the Clergy Reserve fund, be placed at the disposal of the Local Superintendent, for the purchase of prizes to be competed for by the pupils attending the different schools of this township, at a public examination to be held at the Township Hall, on the first Saturday in March next, and that the members of this Council together with the local Superintendent be a committee to carry out said examination. The Council, on motion, adjourned to meet on the first Monday in Feb'y next. J. EASTERBROOK, Clerk.

Church Opening at Cumnock. The people of Cumnock, belonging to the Canada Presbyterian Church, have during the past summer erected for themselves a handsome brick Church, capable of seating over 200 people. It is only about three years since a preaching station was opened there in connection with Alma. About two years ago the Rev. J. Davidson was called and ordained as minister of these stations. The congregation at Cumnock heretofore met in a school house, but finding it small and inconvenient as the attendance increased, they resolved to erect a suitable place of worship, which has been completed, and was formally opened on Sabbath, the 19th January. The Rev. Wm. Cochrane, M.A. of Brantford, conducted the opening services, morning, afternoon and evening, and preached appropriate and eloquent discourses to large and attentive audiences.

On Monday following there was a social gathering which was so largely attended that there were 180 chess facts in Ontario; of these 52 were in the county of Oxford; 15 in Middlesex; 15 in Halton about a similar number, while in the other counties the number of factories ranged from 5 to 15. In these factories an aggregate amount of 12,000,000 lbs. of cheese had been made, realizing to the country, by export, about \$1,200,000. In conclusion, he moved that the Bill be read a second time.

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ONTARIO LEGISLATURE. TORONTO, January 23d.

Mr. Currie moved the reference of the petition of the County Council of Middlesex to a select committee. He said the object was to dispense with the second selection by the County officials, which made it necessary for the Deputy Sheriff to travel all through the county at an expense of eight cents a mile. After some conversation, the motion was withdrawn, it being understood that a bill containing the proposed amendment would be introduced.

Mr. Cumberland enquired of Ministers whether it is their intention to introduce any measure during the present session, for providing a system of Municipal Government and local taxation for the district of Algoma, or any parts thereof.

Hon. J. S. McDonald was understood to say that the Government were very anxious to establish a Municipal Government in Algoma, and that they would take steps with that view as soon as practicable.

Mr. McKellar moved an Address for copies of all Orders in Council, rules and regulations passed or made since the first of January, 1858, touching the management and sale of the Agricultural and Mineral Lands of Ontario. He said he should like if the return could be obtained before the further discussion of the resolutions of the Commissioner of Crown Lands. By one of these resolutions, it was proposed to continue a practice which he thought was wrong, that of allowing the commissioner from time to time to make rules and regulations to suit his own views, touching the minerals and lands of the public domain. The result had been that every new Commissioner, fancying himself wiser than his predecessors, had introduced new rules and regulations, causing great inconvenience to parties having dealings with the department. He believed that, during the last ten years, there had been almost every year a new set of rules. He thought the rules regulating the disposal and management of the public lands should be clearly defined on the statute book, that there might be no difficulty in knowing what was the law. The motion was agreed to.

Land, Blake, in moving the second reading of the Bill respecting voluntary contributions, said by this measure he sought to remedy a grievance of ancient standing. Read a second time, and referred to a special committee.

Mr. Rykert, in the absence of Mr. Hooper, moved the second reading of his Bill respecting Division Courts. The Bill was read a second time and referred to a select committee.

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Despatches to the Evening Mercury. BY ATLANTIC CABLE.

Paris, January 23.—It is reported on good authority that the Emperor has forbidden the publication of Prince Napoleon's pamphlet on the subject of the foreign and domestic affairs of France. The appearance of the work has been looked forward to with great interest, and there is consequently much disappointment.

Madrid, Jan. 23.—The bill for furnishing improved breech-loading arms to the army has passed and is now law.

Paris, Jan. 23.—The United States fleet under Admiral Farragut, will remain at Toulon for the winter.

Florence, Jan. 23.—The bill imposing a tax on incomes in certain cases, has been adopted by both houses of Parliament.

London, Jan. 23.—At a Ministerial dinner at Bristol, last evening, Lord Stanley made a very significant speech. Referring to Ireland, he said that Ireland had never been in a more prosperous condition, nor had she ever been more disaffected; the latter he attributed mainly to the doings of American soldiers. He thought the proposed Church reforms ought to go over to next Parliament, and as to land reforms in Ireland, they were out of the question.

The tone of the French press, as well as that of Prussia is sufficiently peaceful. Duffy, the Fenian arrested in Dublin and sent to Millbank, died to-day. The Chinese government has taken some military steps on the Russian frontier, which the latter government regards as warlike and offensive. A protest is to be sent forward.

Madrid, Jan. 23.—The Spanish Minister of foreign affairs has addressed a note to the diplomatic representative of Spain at Florence, in answer to the despatch from Prime Minister Menabrea. The Spanish ambassador is instructed to inform the Italian Government that Spain is determined to maintain the integrity of the temporal power of the head of the church at Rome, but in no other respect will she interfere in affairs of the Italian Peninsula.

Berlin, Jan. 23.—The ambassadors of Austria and Italy to-day had an audience with the King of Prussia, and presented their credentials as the representatives of their respective countries to the Confederation of the North German States.

Copenhagen, Jan. 23.—The Rigshart to-day met in secret session. The subject under consideration was the sale of the Danish Islands in the West Indies to the United States. It is generally understood that the treaty of transfer was approved.

London, Jan. 23.—Charles Keen, the tragedian, died to-day, aged 55 years.

American Despatches.

Portland, Me., Jan. 23.—The bark *Elta* and *Anna* which sailed for Savannah yesterday, put back to-day, a serious mutiny having occurred on board, in which the captain was stabbed three times very severely, and two sailors were wounded by pistol shots. The mutineers were subdued and brought into port in irons.

Washington, Jan. 23.—The Secretary of State is advised of the execution of a treaty between the United States and the Republic of Columbia, for the construction of a ship canal across the Isthmus of Darien.

New York, Jan. 24.—The *Tribune's* special pronounces untrue the statements relative to the alleged agreement between the President and Gen. Grant, and challenges any member of the Cabinet over his own signature to pronounce them true. Prominent members of Congress are of opinion that Alabama will be fully restored as a State in the Union before the middle of February. Louisiana is expected to be the second State ready for restoration.

UP AND DOWNS IN FURS.—A fur dealer thus epitomizes an experience of twenty five years in the business: "Just a quarter of a century ago I entered the fur trade, paying eighteen cents for a mink, twenty-two cents for a muskrat, and two dollars for little martin skins. During these twenty-five years there have been some wide ranges of prices; I have sold a lot of mink for eight hundred dollars that now would bring twenty-four thousand dollars. Then, again I have sold a lot of coon for \$13,000 that in London to-day would not bring two thousand dollars. The little martin is now worth the same price as a yellow dog skin—two shillings.—The opossum has been from three to sixty; and is down to eight cents. War has been one cause of these fluctuations, but that might be power than armies, fashion, has done the most. While the combined armies of Europe could only put down coon, and skunk fifty per cent, that powerful god, fashion, run the eighteen cent mink up to fifteen dollars, and knocked the black lynx mink down to four shillings."

A CURIOUS DOCUMENT.—The following singular agreement was found at the house of John Grant a prisoner now on trial in Toronto for larceny at Aurora:—Aurora, Nov. 14, 1867.—I, Julia Henwood do hereby agree to marry John Grant within one month from this date, providing that he signs over to me the articles that he agreed to, namely:—1 mare, 1 set of harness, 1 wagon, 1 yearling heifer, 1 spring calf, 4 sheep, 1 plough, Julia Henwood. Witness: John Cameron, Edward (his x mark) Miller. The value of the articles enumerated, with which the amorous John sought the hand of the lovely though mercenary Julia is estimated at \$145.

WHIPPED AND STARVED TO DEATH.—A child fifteen months old died at Napreene, last week, and as the father, named Wood, was known to have been excessively cruel to it, to those who had heard him on several occasions whine imperiously, an inquest was deemed proper.—Quite a number of bruises were found upon the head and body of the child, and medical gentlemen gave it as their opinion, that in the weakly state in which it was, death might have been the result of a severe whipping.—After a lengthy and careful examination the jury returned a verdict to the effect that the child came to its death from want of proper nourishment, and from injuries received at the hands of its father. Wood was committed to stand his trial at the next Sessions.

Young ladies of refinement, when they go out shopping, sometimes take their mothers along to carry the bundles.

UNION SCHOOLS.

When we speak of Union Schools we mean not such Common Schools as are formed by the combination of educational purposes, of the inhabitants of certain lots or concessions in two or more townships, but the amalgamation of Grammar and Common Schools, and the conduct of their financial affairs by a joint Board of Trustees. The report of the Rev. Mr. Young, M.A., Inspector, on the working of these unions, together with much other useful and no doubt reliable information is embodied in the Educational Report for 1866, which the Chief Superintendent has recently given to the Province. Mr Young enters into the minutiae of the working of Grammar in connection with Common Schools, and points out with much clearness the evils which have their source directly from the law that regulates such unions. There is scarcely a sentence that the Inspector here lays before us which would not furnish a text for an article much exceeding in length the limits we have prescribed to this. To understand properly the abuses of which he complains it is necessary to bear in mind the fact of Grammar Schools receiving a certain Legislative Grant, which is divided in proportion to the average attendance, when the pupils pursue a certain curriculum of studies, in which Latin and Greek hold a prominent position. Those who do not learn classics cannot be reckoned in the average attendance. So much for the apportionment of the Grant, but the bestowal of it at all is entirely conditional on one proviso, namely, that at least half as much, exclusive of the pupils' fees, shall flow into the exchequer of the Trustees from local sources. There are places, and a considerable number of them, where it has been and still is found to be somewhat more than an ordinary difficulty to comply with this one apparently easy condition on which the Legislative Grant is contingent. Grammar schools have in many instances been established without a due consideration of a very vital question, namely, whether they would continue in favor and be blessed with a cordial and hearty support, and numbers have discovered much to their perplexity that those whose interests would seem to be promoted by their success have been backward in contributing to their maintenance. If Grammar schools were not fixed institutions, entirely devoid of locomotive powers, we might say in reference to them, more especially where they are established in rural districts, or more properly in villages, that "they have a hard road to travel." They have to encounter the full length and breadth of illiterate prejudice—a prejudice of which the common schools, with all their troubles, see only the shadow passing their doors. But even where the necessity of a good elementary education is acknowledged there is an opinion of centuries' standing—a formidable antagonist, and unconquerable too—that Latin and Greek are not indispensable desiderata in the education of boys destined to hold the plough, and to perform generally the manual labour required on a farm.

We have said before that boys who do not study classics cannot be enumerated in the return of the average attendance, neither can girls who merely study French in conjunction with the English branches. Moreover there are comparatively few pupils, except in cities and the larger towns, for whom the common schools do not provide more knowledge than they can spare time to obtain; consequently people have a repugnance to taxing themselves for the maintenance of establishments for which they cannot see any necessity—and here is the dilemma. All these things are against the grammar schools, and have a tendency to cause their advocates to resort for their support to measures that (to speak in the mildest terms) are not fair. Any Board of Common School Trustees may unite with a Board of Grammar School Trustees if they feel so disposed, and this union invests the latter with a power which alone they could not exercise. The law does not confer on them the authority to levy a rate for the support of the grammar school, but a joint Board may collect a tax, part of which shall be applied towards meeting the condition on which the grant is bestowed by the Legislature. This power of amalgamation is the root of the evils complained of; and Mr Young's report shows that in many, far too many instances, these unions are neither more nor less than leagues for the obtaining of the largest dividend of the Legislative gratuity, without strict regard to the legitimacy of the means employed. The common schools are made subservient to the interests of the grammar schools, and boys transferred from the former to the latter, and constrained, very much to their intellectual detriment, to begin the study of Latin while as yet they know little more of that finer language—English—than to repeat it parrot-wise. Mr Young tells of a class brought before him for examination for admission to a certain grammar school, and not one of the students was able to tell the

parts of speech in as simple a sentence as could possibly be proposed, much less to prove that they had the most remote conception of the relative values of the words, or any idea whatever of their construction. Such a state of things is mischievous, more so in no particular than in the waste of the pupils' time. The years during which they should be made to apply themselves diligently towards acquiring the elements of a good English education are idly spent in an endeavour to learn the declensions of Latin nouns, and the conjugations of Latin verbs. What then? Those who are not to be put through a full educational course leave school with the merest smattering of knowledge, and that too of a kind that will be of very little practical benefit to them; and with no other consolation than that they have done their part in swelling the average attendance.

The study of Latin by girls—since it makes them count—has also, it appears, become very common. Now it is our belief that if young ladies were left uninfluenced there would not be one found out of a hundred who would take voluntarily to the classics. There are strong minded ones among them who would. Most of the great female authors who have adorned literature have read Latin, and in perusing the works of Mrs. Stowe it will be seen that Latin phrases dribble from her pen with as much facility as French would flow from the lips of a lady who had completed her education at Paris. But these are exceptions, for the classics are essentially masculine languages, and although the fair sex may like to read of heroes, yet the sentimentality of the ancients would scarcely suit their fancy, nor are we sure that they would admire much the gallantry of Virgil's hero who had a mind to take the life of the beautiful Helen, when he found her amid the ruins of burning Troy. Then we consider that to put girls into Latin is to make them attempt something for which they are not generally mentally adapted, which will be of very little service to them, and which is not looked for as one of their accomplishments. The evil exists, and the next consideration is its cure. What is this to be? Mr. Young suggests a new and more rigid system of inspection, no new unions, and an easy and gradual dissolution of those already in existence. Might he not also have added common school teachers of higher qualifications, grammar schools only where there is a fair field for their support, and that those who want a classical education should not be backward in paying for it?

Since the German copyright expired, Schiller's poems, well printed on good paper, are sold for five cents. The Queen has now made Sir Francis B. Head a member of the Privy Council. He was sworn in on the 20th ult. The New York World state that 60,000 persons in that city, and at least 1,000,000 in the several States of New England, are now out of employment, and are suffering for the necessities of life. The following quaint epitaph on husband and wife is to be seen in one of the Parisian cemeteries—"I am anxiously expecting you. A. D. 1837." "Here I am, A. D. 1867." So the good woman was forty years making up her mind to follow her husband.—Court Journal.

Memphis settled all its old grudges Christmas day. Three men were murdered, two pistolled with the same intention, and half a dozen accidentally shot; while the flights, robberies, and attempts at arson enlivened the day from morn to frosty eve. Several Indians now in England, gave an exhibition game of the popular Canadian pastime, called "La Crosse," in Brighton. They pleased the spectators and a club is to be established. The British Viceroy in India has lately held a grand celebration at Lucknow. The princes of Victoria's great Oriental Empire of 200,000,000 people passed in gorgeous procession before the Viceroy. Four hundred richly caparisoned elephants also formed part of the grand array.

Letters and papers addressed to members of Local Legislatures must be prepaid, otherwise they will be consigned to the dead-letter boxes. M. P.'s have not the privilege of franking their communications, but they are all allowed to charge postage in a contingent account. T. H. Sweeney, of Fenian notoriety was committed for disorderly conduct a month or two since, and suspended from rank and pay in the American army. He has within the last few weeks been restored by the President.

Mr. Spurgeon some time ago received an offer from an American "manager" to pay him a large sum for a lecturing tour in the United States and Canada; but, to the credit of the popular preacher he indignantly declined. The Rev. New-man Hall says he might easily have made \$100 a night during his American tour had he been so disposed.

The New York Times, in its notice of Tilton's poems, says: "A clergyman, so runs the story, was interrupted in his sermon by an old gentleman sitting before him, who on recognizing a familiar passage ejaculated 'that's Southey.' A few minutes later he was heard to mutter 'that's Taylor.' And this continued until mortified and angry plagiarist, leaping over the edge of the pulpit, exclaimed, 'Shut up you rascal! That's his own! was the quiet response. So the reader of Mr. Tilton's poems says running his eye from page to page, 'that's Tennyson, or 'that's Browning, or 'that's Longfellow, or 'that's Whittier, as the case may be; but on coming to the touching rhymes addressed to a fly, he involuntarily exclaims, 'that is his own!'

FRAGS OF AN ELEPHANT.—The elephant and Romeo, who recently killed his keeper at Hurlborough, still continues in such a forward mood that it is impossible to pacify him. He is confined in a pen made of stout timbers, and no one dare enter his den. He commits some curious pranks. On one occasion he picked up a camel on his trunk and threw it some distance. He appears to have a particular spite at two baby elephants which are among the animals wintering at Mr. Miller's. It is somewhat dangerous for people to approach the resident Romeo, and, in fact, some of the residents close by are fearful that he may escape and do some damage. He finds many ways to manifest his dislike to some of the persons who are about him. He throws stones and pebbles at them with his trunk, and such other articles as he can get hold of. On one occasion he took a bucket filled with water, and dashed it to pieces. Mr. Forspach states that Romeo cost him \$40,000, and of course he is anxious to have such a valuable piece of property brought to terms.

New Advertisements.

BRICK FOR SALE. 200,000 WHITE BRICK FOR SALE AT MURKIN. JAMES MORISON. Guelph, 17th Jan. 1868. d2w2

ESTRAY COW. STRAYED on the premises of the subscriber on New Year's Day, a small spotted cow about 3 years old. The owner is required to prove property, pay expenses and take her away. W. SPENCER, Elora Road. Guelph, 17th Jan. 1868. dw3

NOTICE. THE business of Messrs. BLAIR & GUTHRIE will be continued at the same office by the surviving partner, Mr. GUTHRIE. Guelph, 6th January, 1868. dw1m

A No. 1 Oyster can be had at HUGH WALKER'S Fruit and Oyster Depot by the Pint, Quart, Gallon, Tub, or by the

HUNDRED James River, Hampton Roads, Lynhaven and Dal timore Oysters constantly on hand.

PERSONS Will do well to call and examine those solid meat Oysters which I sell by measure. Bring your bowls and pails, and thus save the price of cans and cumbering. My Oysters are not

KILLED By frost or starvation before they are opened.—My arrangements are such, that the Oysters I receive are taken from the beds, opened, packed and shipped to me the same day. I can assure those who purchase from me, that they need have no fear of

EATING Oysters that, from causes well known to the trade, have become stale, and, in fact, totally unfit to eat

OYSTERS That are OYSTERS! Call and see them before purchasing elsewhere

IN GUELPH. Solid Meat Oysters by the keg, can, or measure. Also, Finnan Haddies and fresh and salt Fish of every description, wholesale and retail.

HUGH WALKER. Wyndham Street, Guelph, nearly opposite the English Church. Guelph, 18th January 1868. dw

BOOTS & SHOES At Wholesale Prices. HAVING a large stock of BOOTS and SHOES, which must be sold during the NEXT TWO MONTHS! I will offer the same during that time at Wholesale Prices. Note prices and be convinced that you will save from 25 to 50 per cent. per pair by buying at the

Kingston Penitentiary BOOT AND SHOE STORE. Men's Coarse Boots! FORMER PRICES.—No. 1, \$3.00; No. 2, \$2.75; No. 3, \$2.50. PRESENT PRICES.—No. 1, \$2.75; No. 2, \$2.50; No. 3, \$2.25.

Boys' Boots from \$1.70. Youths' Boots from \$1.35 with a large variety of everything in the line at equally low prices. Don't forget the place—Kingston Penitentiary Boot and Shoe Store.

All work warranted. J. CRIDFORD. Guelph, 4th November, 1867.

STEPHEN BOULT, ARCHITECT AND BUILDER, Office, Woolwich Street, nearly opposite Douglas Street.

Plans, Specifications & Estimates, Supplied, and work superintended in all its branches.

STEPHEN BOULT having succeeded to the old established business of THOMAS McCRAE, Esq., begs a continuation of public patronage. All kinds of Lumber on hand.—Prompt attention given to all orders.

Planning Done to Order, AND ALL KINDS OF Hoardings, Sashes, Doors, Blinds, and Hackles, Joiners' Work, Executed with despatch and kept always on hand. Cash paid for all kinds of Lumber at the yard.

S. Boulton thanks the public for eleven years kind favors, and hopes for a continuance of the same.

Thomas McCrae thanks the public for past favors, and recommends Mr Boulton to their favourable consideration.

THOMAS McCRAE. Guelph, January 31, 1867. 698-1f

REMOVAL. WM. C. TAYLOR Veterinary Surgeon,

RESPECTFULLY thanks his numerous patrons for the liberal support he has received since his residence in Guelph, and begs to inform them and the public generally that he has removed to Waterloo Road, first door West of Mr. W. B. G. Knowles, where he will keep on hand a supply of all medicines for Horses and Cattle.

Agent for McDougall's Patent Disinfectant Powder for dwellings, stables, cow sheds and water-closets, as ordered by the Board of Health in Toronto; also a certain preventative of the Typhoid Fever.

I am also agent for McDougall's non-poisonous Sheep and Lamb dipping composition. All orders punctually attended to, and medicines sent to any part of the country. Horses examined as to soundness. Registry office kept for servants. Guelph, 27th Dec. 1867.

Men Wanted. WANTED, a few more

GOOD CHOPPERS to cut wood by the Cord. Good wages can be made, from \$1.25 to \$1.50 a day being paid weekly.

Constant Employment till next June. Apply to ALEX. MAIR, Rockwood Station, Ont. Rockwood Jan. 2nd 1868. 741-w-4t

WHEAT WANTED! THE subscriber will pay the highest cash price for good, merchantable wheat and other grains delivered at his mills, Douglas, Garrafrasa. WM. MICHE. Guelph, 21st Jan. 1868. w3

SPECIAL NOTICE.

CANADIAN National Series of Reading Books. Authorized by the Council of Public Instruction for Ontario. NOW READY FOR DELIVERY.

PRICES: First Book, with 31 illustrations, strongly bound in limp cloth—five cents. Finer Book, 2nd Part, 54 illustrations, strongly bound in limp cloth—ten cents. Second Book, 56 illustrations, strongly bound in cloth boards—twenty cents. Third Book, 41 illustrations, strongly bound in cloth boards—thirty cents. Fourth Book, 46 illustrations, strongly bound in cloth boards—forty cents. Fifth Book, 52 illustrations, strongly bound in cloth boards—fifty cents. Storekeepers supplied at the lowest Toronto wholesale prices for cash only. T. J. DAY, Opposite the Market, Guelph Guelph, 6th January, 1868. dw

JOHN A. WOOD WILL SELL

INCERSOLL FACTORY CHEESE!

Goderich SALT

LOWEST RATES, Wholesale and Retail WYNDHAM-ST., GUELPH.

Guelph, Jan. 20th, 1868. dw

MAGAZINES for JAN., 1868. RECEIVED AT

DAY'S BOOKSTORE. Sunday Magazines Good Words Bow Bells English Mechanic Sunday at Home Leisure Hour Cornhill Temple Bar Belgravia

London Society Family Herald Argosy Boys' Monthly Boys' Own Saint Paul's London Journal

All the Year Round Cassell's Magazine The Quiver Chambers' Journal for Dec., 1867. Blackwood for December, 1867.

AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE, Opposite the Market. Guelph, 21st January, 1868. dw

APOTHECARIES' HALL! MARKET SQUARE, GUELPH.

A. B. PETRIE Has just received a large lot of

Coal Oil Lamps! which he will sell cheaper than ever before offered to the public in Guelph. Also, another lot of

The Improved Burner! which is thus recommended. "This Burner is so made that it will not become heated, so as to generate explosive gas from oil, and the danger of explosion from this cause so common in all burners heretofore in use, is thus entirely obviated."

No. 1 Coal Oil Kept constantly on hand at

Fifteen cts. per Gallon ALEX. B. PETRIE, Chemist and Druggist Guelph, 22nd Jan. 1868. wd

SPECIAL NOTICE! DURING the year 1868 I have determined to sell Goods lower than ever, but my terms will be strictly CASH, and on no condition will Goods be charged.

T. J. DAY, Bookseller, opposite the Market. Guelph, 11th January, 1868. dw

THE BARCLAY SEWING MACHINE. WITHOUT any exception, the Barclay Sewing Machine, manufactured by the British American Sewing Machine Company,

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

Also, agent for the DALTON KNITTING MACHINES, one of the best machines in the market. Apply to MOSES BECHTEL, Blair P. O., Jan. 22, 1868. dw

H. G. VonHoxar, Teacher of Languages, Tenth door west of Barclay's buildings, corner of Norfolk and Norwich Streets. Guelph, Jan. 17, 1868. d

New Advertisements.

CLOUDS. CLOUDS.

OPENED TO-DAY!

A nice lot of New Clouds, in White and Colored, Cheap. Guelph, Jan. 24, 1868.

A. O. BUCHAM.

GREAT AUCTION SALE.

ROBT. CUTHBERT'S ATTRACTIVE SALES WILL BE RESUMED

On Saturday Evening, 25th Inst. Commencing at the usual hour. Guelph, 24th January, 1868. daw1f

ENGLISH AND AMERICAN MAGAZINES.

ENGLISH MAGAZINES.

All the Year Round 35 00 25c

Argosy 9 00 75c

Boys' Monthly 3 50 30c

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# TAKE NOTICE. - GOING OUT OF BUSINESS!

FRANK SMITH & CO.  
17 Front Street, Toronto.

## GEORGE JEFFREY,

Being about to retire from the Dry Goods business, has determined to offer his **WHOLE STOCK AT COST PRICES.** The Store will be closed on **MONDAY, the 6th of JANUARY,** for the purpose of marking down the whole Stock to Cost Prices.

### The Great Sale will Commence on Tuesday, 7th January.

And will continue for **ONE MONTH.** All Sales for **Cash,** and **NO SECOND PRICE.** THE STOCK BEING ALL NEW, and of the **VERY BEST DESCRIPT** parties can rely on getting **EXTRAORDINARY BARGAINS.**

**GEORGE JEFFREY.**

P. S.—All parties indebted to me must settle their accounts before the **FIRST OF FEBRUARY NEXT.** All accounts unsettled after that date will be handed to Mr. Baker, Clerk of the Court for collection.

#### PHOTOGRAPHS!

**W. MARSHALL**

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**AT MARSHALL'S,**

Day's Block, opposite the Market.  
Guelph, 17th January, 1868.

#### Medical Dispensary

JUST received at the Medical Dispensary, a fresh supply of

**THE SOLAR**

**Kerosene Burner**

Superior to any other for brilliancy of light.

**ECONOMY AND SAFETY**

**No. 1 WHITE  
COAL OIL**

Only 15 cts. per Gallon.  
A fresh supply of No. 1 WHITE COAL OIL, only 15 cents per gallon.

**H. HARVEY**

Chemist and Druggist,  
Opposite the English Church, Wyndham-st.,  
Guelph, Ontario.

Guelph, 17th Jan., 1868.

**JOHN HARRIS,**

CONFECTIONER, and

BISCUIT Manufacturer.

Wholesale and Retail!

My Goods are all made of the best material, and under my own supervision, and having no merit to say, am prepared to offer to

**Wholesale Purchasers**

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

**JOHN HARRIS,**

Market Square, Guelph, Ont.

Guelph, 7th Dec., 1867.

**Dairy Farm & Mill Site  
FOR SALE IN PUSLINCH.**

FOR SALE by private contract, the rear halves of Lots 3 and 4, in the 10th concession, and broken lots 1 and 2, in the 11th Concession of the Township of Puslinch, containing 299 acres more or less.

This desirable property will be sold in one or more lots, to suit purchasers.

The soil is a good loam, and the land is magnificently watered both by the river Speed and by a creek, on which there is a **GOOD MILL SITE.**

For DAIRY FARM this property offers unequalled advantages. 150 acres are cleared and under cultivation, the greater part free from stumps. There are two Log Houses on the property, with Log Barns, Stable, Cattle Sheds, Garden, &c., attached to each house. The property is about five miles from Guelph, and a good road leads to it. Terms of Sale, Liberal. Apply to

**PALMER & LILLIE,**

Solicitors, &c., Day's Block, Guelph

Guelph, Jan. 2nd, 1868.

**To Contractor and Builders,**

MEMBERS will be received by the undersigned Trustees of School Section No. 1, Erinosa, on the York Road, until

**SATURDAY, 1st of FEBRUARY**

for the erection and completion of a **STONE SCHOOL HOUSE** in said School Section, and separate tenders will be received for the Building, Carpentry, Plastering, Painting and Glazing.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the residence of Isaac Light on and after Saturday the 25th instant. The Trustees do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

**JOHN MOORE,  
ISAAC LIGHT,  
WM. DUFFIELD.**

Guelph, Jan 15, 1868. w2

**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 6th of January. Vacancies for two or three boarders.

Guelph, 26th December, 1867. w1y

#### RUTHERFORD HOUSE!

JUST RECEIVED, A SUPPLY OF

**GODERICH SALT.**

**Salmon Trout and Herring!**

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

Guelph 17th January, 1868. daw

**R. RUTHERFORD.**

#### CHRISTMAS BOXES.

WE WOULD INVITE THOSE ABOUT TO PURCHASE

**CHRISTMAS PRESENTS**

to inspect and examine our stock, as it is larger and more varied than ever.

**D. SAVAGE.**

Guelph, December 17, 1867. dw

#### MANILLA CHERROOTS

JUST RECEIVED.

**A Lot of Fine Manilla Cheroots!**

Guelph, 8th January, 1868.

**H. BERRY.**

**D. KRIBS'**

**HONEY SYRUP**

For the various affections of the

**LUNGS & THROAT**

Such as Colds, Coughs, Influenza, Bronchitis, Asthma, Hoarseness, Consumption,

And for the relief of Consumptive Patients in advanced stages of the disease.

Prepared only by **DANIEL KRIBS,** Guelph, Ont., and for sale at his residence, and by Alex B Peirce, Market Square.

Price per bottle 37 1/2 cts., or three bottles for \$1. Guelph, 8th January, 1868. dw

**HAY IN TRUSSES**

Constantly on hand. Also Straw for beds

**TERMS CASH.**

**JOHN WEST.**

Guelph, July 22. daw-1f

**PLATT & CO'S**

**WORLD RENOWNED**

**OYSTERS**

Received daily by Express. Wholesale and Retail.

**GEORGE WILKINSON.**

Next door to Telegraph and Express Office.

Guelph, Jan. 7, 1868. daw 1f

**NOTICE.**

ALL persons are hereby cautioned against purchasing any Notes of Hand drawn by me in favor of H. W. DEMON, as I have received no value whatever for said notes.

**HENRY PATTEN.**

Esq., 13th January, 1868. w4

**Four Corners' Hotel,**

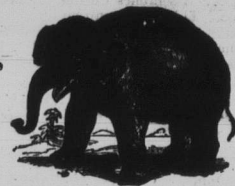
**ERAMOSA ROAD.**

**JOHN ANDERSON,** Proprietor. The best of accommodation for travellers. First-class liquors and cigars. Good stable and attentive hostler.

Guelph, 26th December, 1867. w1y

#### BARGAINS EXTRAORDINARY

OPPOSITE THE MARKET,



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**SMITH & BOTSFORD,**

Will sell, during the next six weeks, the balance of

**THEIR WINTER STOCK AT COST.**

Call and see their prices, and be convinced that this is no humbug. **ONLY ONE PRICE.**

Guelph, 4th January, 1868.

**SMITH & BOTSFORD,**

Sign of the Elephant, Opposite the Market

#### Insolvent Act of 1864.

In the matter of Thomas M. Grier,

AN INSOLVENT.

COUNTY OF WELLINGTON, ) By virtue of  
PROVINCE OF ONTARIO, ) the authority  
To Wit: ) I, J. W. BERT, acting  
as Assignee of the Estate of the above-named Insolvent, under the provisions of the above Act, I shall offer for sale at the Town Hall, in the Village of Morriston, in the said County,

**Saturday, 11th April, 1868**

at two o'clock in the afternoon of that day, all the right, title and interest of the said insolvent, in that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Village of Morriston, Township of Puslinch, County of Wellington, Province of Ontario, composed of Village Lot number Eight, on the East side of Queen Street, in Donald McEdward's Survey, in the Village of Morriston, lotted and bounded as is described in a deed from John M. Schlenker and wife to the said Insolvent, made the 23rd February, 1867, with Dwelling House, Barn, Stable and outbuildings thereon, and a good garden, with two-fifths of an acre.

**TERMS - - - CASH.**

Further particulars may be had on the premises, or at the office of Messrs. McLoughlin & O'Connor, Barristers, Guelph, or at the office of the undersigned, with whom all hypothecary creditors are required to file their claims within six days of the day of sale.

**THOMAS SAUNDERS,** Official Assignee.

Guelph, 7th January, 1868. w1d

#### PLASTER, PLASTER

THE SUBSCRIBERS HAVE AT PRESENT A FULL SUPPLY OF

**GROUND PLASTER**

And while shipping is good, farmers should get their supplies. By advices from Paris, York and Calcutta, we learn that all that can be produced is already engaged, and that the demand will far exceed the supply. We have been able to secure only

**300 TONS.**

Instead of 500, and we would therefore advise those requiring any to purchase early.

**A small lot of very fine Clover Seed on hand**

**JAS. MASSIE & CO.**

Guelph, 17th January, 1868. daw 1f

**FOR THREE WEEKS**

**CLEARING SALE!**

THE GREAT CLEARING SALE AT THE

**Canada CLOTHING Store**

WILL CONTINUE FOR THREE WEEKS LONGER, so as to clear out the balance of the Stock of

**READY-MADE CLOTHING**

**HATS, CAPS, &C.,**

Which will be sold at **COST** and **UNDER FOR CASH ONLY.**

Parties indebted to me must settle up their accounts immediately, or they will be put in Court for collection.

**N. CROFT,**

Guelph, January, 9th, 1868. d No. 40, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

**REMOVAL!**

**GRAND CLEARING SALE!**

**JAMES CORMACK,**

HAVING leased that large and New Store next to JOHN HORSMAN'S, he has determined to dispose of the balance of his large Stock of first-class

**READY-MADE CLOTHING,**

**CLOTHS AND GENTLEMEN'S FURNISHING GOODS,**

**At a Tremendous Reduction**

OF PRICES. As the Goods are all new, the Clothing well cut, well made and well stayed, the public will find this one of the best and cheapest sales ever offered in Guelph.

Goods booked charged the regular price.

**JAMES CORMACK,**

Guelph, 31st December, 1867. dw Wyndham-st., Guelph.

**NOTICE**

**To Debtors & Creditors.**

THE undersigned Executors for the Estate of the late Alexander McKinnon, deceased, hereby give notice to all parties indebted to the said Estate, to pay to J. W. BERT, acting Executor for the same, as he is the only person authorized to receive money for the said Estate, and all parties are forbidden paying to any other person. All parties having claims against the Estate are hereby notified to send in the same to the undersigned on or before the expiry of six months from the date of this notice.

**J. W. BERT, ARCHIE THOMSON, JAS. W. KENNEDY,** Executors

Bris. Nov. 16, 1867. 754-w3m

**CORDWOOD for SALE**

**IN GUELPH.**

GOOD, cheap Cordwood for sale at

**BROWN'S WOOD YARD**

Woolwich Street, nearly opposite the Court House.

Quantities from half a cord and upwards delivered in any part of the town by leaving the order at the wood house in the yard, at the rate of 83.75 per cord.

**ALEX. BROWN.**

Guelph, 25th November, 1867. d5m

**DOMINION SALOON,**

(GATE GRAND'S SHADES SALOON.)

OPPOSITE THE MARKET,

**GUELPH.**

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

**DENIS BUNYAN.**

Guelph, December 2, 1867. daw 1y

**PRIVATE TUITION.**

THE undersigned is prepared to give private lessons in English, Latin and Greek, either at his own house or the house of his pupils, two hours of each day.

**GEORGE GRAFFTEY.**

Guelph, 3rd January, 1868. ind

**Wool, Hide and Leather**

**DEPOT,**

No. 4, Day's Old Block, Gordon Street, Guelph, July 31, 1867 (dw D. MOITON

**MEDICAL HALL,**

**GUELPH.**

**ESSENCE OF**

**RONDELETIA!**

**AN ELEGANT PERFUME**

For the Handkerchief and Toilet.

Prepared by Breidenbach,

Perfumer and Distiller of Flowers to Her Majesty.

**N. HIGINBOTHAM.**

Guelph, 24th Dec. 1867. daw

**JUST ARRIVED**

**No. 2,**

**Bay's Block, - - Guelph.**

**Finnan Haddies**

**Smoked Salmon**

**Smoked Tommy**

**Mackerel, &c.**

JUST ARRIVED.

**E. CARROLL & CO.,**

No. 2, Wyndham Street, Guelph, 17th January, 1868. daw

**GEORGE PALMER**

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FRIDAY EVEN'G, JAN 24, 1868.

**The Maiden's Choice**  
OR, THE LAIRD OF BIRKENLEUCH.

**A Tale of the Covenanters.**

The company who assembled that day at Muirside Moss, had certainly little the appearance of rebels. They were there with blue bonnets on their heads, and checked plaids over their shoulders, their only weapons being the stout stick which had helped them to cross the morass. These ruddy-faced stalwart men were the only ones who could offer physical resistance either then or at any other time, and their appearance gave little indication of insurrectionists—discontented strife-loving men whose element was in warfare, and who were ready and eager to incite the population to rise in arms against a paternal and protecting Government. It was the fashion of the time to represent the Covenanters as persons of this character, who had no proper grievance to complain of, but who most unaccountably cherished a wicked hatred of the Stuarts, and were working with the sole object of thrusting them from the throne. And in our own day those are not wanting who repeat this calumny—Tories of the stamp of the author of the "Life and Times of Claverhouse," who scruple not to call such men as Knox, Cargill, Peden, Cameron, and Renwick scoundrels, truculent traitors, bloodthirsty fanatics, promoters of sedition, and all manner of detestable names; while they laud with fulsome adulation the cruel persecutors who sought to quench a people's faith and override their conscience.

To represent the Covenanters as rebels against the Temporal Authority and Government of Charles II., is an aspersion as false as it is absurd. The only quarrel with the Government was of a religious character; their highest and dearest interests had been assailed, and they could do nothing other than did without abandoning their allegiance to a King mightier than he who sat on the throne of Britain—to the King of Heaven and Earth, the King of the Universe, the Lord. The time indeed came when the ruthless persecutions to which they were subjected forced on them the conviction that Charles had forfeited all claim to call them subjects, and then they boldly proclaimed their rejection of him, and declared that henceforth they abjured his temporal authority as they had before denied his spiritual jurisdiction. But at the very fall of 1696, the Covenanters were staunchly and bravely loyal, and thought of nothing but to assert their religious independence and preserve their spiritual liberties.

These broad-shouldered hill-men who found their way to the conventicle at Muirside Moss were grave and serious enough, but the expression of their open, intelligent countenances was neither stern nor severe. One would have looked in vain for an aspect of bigotry, narrow-mindedness, or so fanaticism among their upturned faces as those were directed towards the platform to be occupied by the minister. There was much firmness and resolute determination to be seen there—a look expressive of calm, deliberate steadfastness to conviction, illuminated at the moment by the glad expectation they had of enjoying once more a pure Sabbath service.

But old men and old women were there likewise, who sorely missed the gospel feast which they had so long enjoyed, and had made the toilsome and difficult journey into the wilderness to hear once again the proclamation of the pure and simple truth. Young men and maidens were there also, ardent and enthusiastic in their love to the Covenant for which their fathers had suffered and for which they also were ready to suffer rather than renounce it.

It was a goodly company that had assembled on the grassy slope by the hour of noon and a quiet decorum was manifested by all as they waited the arrival of Mr. Gordon. The minister and Walter Elliot had left Birkenleuch early on the previous evening, and had spent the night at a farm-house within easy distance of the place of meeting. It was known that they had gone to take up their abode there, and the farmers and small proprietors of the district who adhered to the suffering cause proceeded thither in the morning to accompany the minister as the guard of defence.

At length they were descried winding round the Moss, and murmured blessings broke from many lips as the people caught sight of the venerable form of their dearly-loved pastor, whom many of them had not seen since the day he was driven from their midst by the edict of ejection. His hair was grey almost to whiteness, but he seemed hale and strong as ever. His tall form was not bent with the years that had passed over him, his eye was clear and tender as ever, and his placid features beamed with the same kindness and benevolence.

Young and old crowded round to grasp his hand and bless him in his Master's name, and then it was that the tears flowed and sobbings shook strong bosoms as the memory of the happy past was recalled by the good man's presence, and contrasted with the sad circumstances in which they now met him. Mr. Gordon's self-possession was disturbed by the outburst of emotion and the sight of so many families of the hill behind them, but he gathered himself together, and turned into his eye; but exerting his firmness, he waved the weeping crowd aside, and ascended the elevation that had been prepared for him. He had previously selected his text and arranged the subject of the sermon he intended to deliver, but this scene caused him suddenly to change it to the words of the Psalmist, which suddenly rushed with consoling power over his mind—"Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning."

Walter Elliot was the only one there present who suggested the propriety of placing accents or sentences on the heights above, but this was by the others considered unnecessary, as from the nature of the ground the approach of the troops could be observed from a far distance, and besides, there was not the slightest reason to suppose that intelligence of their meeting had been received by the garrison at Sanquhar. There was but one point from which they could be surprised or taken unawares, and that was from the shoulder of the hill behind them; but as the foe could approach from that direction only by taking a very circuitous route, and by paths known only to those familiar with the district, it was deemed impossible that danger could come to them from that quarter. The laird's suggestion was therefore not carried out, and the entire assembly closed round the rude pulpit and sunk into perfect silence, when Mr. Gordon rose with bare head to read out the psalm.

TO BE CONTINUED.

**A Brave English Girl.**

Miss Mary Walker, the redoubtable Englishwoman, has scaled all the accessible and inaccessible peaks of the Bernese Oberland, to whom Mount Blanc is a pleasant day's journey, whose name is echoed from month to month in wonder or dismay, according to the calibre of the speaker, or the spoken-to. Not Dr. Mary Walker, who visits medical hospitals in London and Paris, but an "English girl, rather delicate looking than otherwise, and as light of foot as a bird on wing," to quote from a description given by one of her own enthusiastic countrymen. Carl Brandt, the artist, met her at Kandersteg, and by common with many others, watched her through his glass till she reached the very summit of the Blümlis Alp, where for the last four hours or more, every step that is made must be in the ice. She is the admiration of nearly every guide in Switzerland. Anderker, one of the most noted, told Mr. Brandt that when he was with her ascending the Mouch, they were all amazed at her audacity. They had reached the summit, having gone quite as far as they thought it safe to go, and were resting themselves. She, however, was not content, for there remained, jutting out from the very tip, like a bird's beak, a narrow projection, incrustated with ice and snow. It was hardly wide enough for her two feet, and not so safe as the ridge pole of the steepest roof; but out she went, fleetly, fearlessly, to the extreme point, where she was suspended, as it were, in mid air, thousands and thousands of feet above the valley. The guides fairly shivered with fright as they beheld her and shouted for her to come back.

**DEER IN A BARNYARD.**

A farmer residing in the township of Bristol, county of Pontiac, was surprised a few mornings ago to find a couple of moose deer feeding in his barnyard. The farmer took his gun and shot one of them, the other making its escape with all due haste.

**The Bachelors of Quebec**

To give two Assemblies during the present season. This is creating no little excitement in social circles, and well it may; for the bachelors can be counted by hundreds, while their fair acquaintances can only count but not catch them.

**THE WONDERS OF FALKIRK.**

In the course of a speech at the reunion of natives of Falkirk, held at Glasgow, Mr. Thomas Kier of Linns, said Falkirk used to boast of four "wonders" amongst its inhabitants. The first of these was a gravedigger, who had a gold watch; second, a town drummer, said to be worth \$30,000; third, a barber who kept a pack of hounds; and fourth, an honest lawyer.

**PUBLIC DEBTS OF DIFFERENT COUNTRIES.**

There are some interesting and important statistics of the comparative indebtedness of nations, in the report of Special Commissioner Welles. The public debt of the United States is \$2,508,125,160 of England, with a smaller population, \$4,003,794,235; of France, \$2,340,029,890, which has increased in 13 years 130 per cent, and increases annually, while the population remains about the same; of Austria, \$1,316,103,201; of Italy, \$1,071,818,940, an increase in six years of 128 per cent; of Prussia, \$245,766,937; of Spain, with less than half the American population, \$819,887,360. It must not be overlooked in estimating the American debt, that the return of \$2,508,125,160 does not include the debts due by the various States. If these are added to the above-named sum, the total will swell to quite that of Great Britain. The municipal debts of the States, those of cities, towns, counties and townships are also very heavy, and of course are not included in the above estimates.

**Henry Ward Beecher is engaged in writing a Life of Christ, which is intended as an antidote to the Santa Beuve the Ecce Homo and the Alcyone theories.**

**It Gives Satisfaction, does that excellent Tea sold for 62 1/2c. per lb. by JAS. MURPHY, No. 1, Upper Wyndham-st. Guelph.**

**MARRIAGES.**

CARTER—McARTHUR—At Erin, on the 22nd inst., by the Rev. Mr. Bowie, Mr. George H. Carter to Annie, youngest daughter of Mr. Peter McArthur, farmer, Erin.

**DIED.**

GRIVEY—At Guelph, on the 23rd inst., John Grivey, aged 65 years. The funeral will take place from his late residence at Morrison to the cemetery (Saturdays) at 1 o'clock, p. m. Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend.

**COMMERCIAL.**

**Guelph Markets.**  
MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH, January 24, 1868.

Flour, per 100 lbs.	38 75	4 00
Pat Wheat per bushel.	4 75	1 80
Spring Wheat.	5 50	1 55
Oats.	0 50	0 51
Peas.	0 70	0 75
Barley.	0 90	1 00
Livestock.	9 00	9 00
Straw.	4 00	5 00
Shingles per square.	1 00	1 50
Wood per cord.	3 00	3 00
Wool.	0 27	0 20
Wax.	0 14	0 15
Butter (Irish), per lb.	0 16	0 16
Butter (English).	0 25	0 30
Turkeys do.	0 50	0 60
Chickens per pair.	0 20	0 28
Pigs do.	0 07	0 07
Potatoes.	0 50	0 60
Apples per bushel.	0 00	2 00
Lamb per lb.	0 06	0 07
Beef.	4 50	6 00
Butter per lb.	0 35	0 40
Pork per 100 lbs.	12 75	13 75
Sheep Pelts each.	0 30	0 40
Lamb skins.	0 40	0 45
Hides per 100 lbs.	6 00	6 60

**Money Market.**

JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE,  
Guelph, January 24, 1868.

Gold, 140.  
Greenbacks at 70 to 71; Sold at 71 to 72.  
Silver bought at 44 to 54; sold at 34 to 44.  
Upper Canada Bank Bills bought at 95 to 96.  
Commercial Bank Bills bought at 95 to 96.

**MONTREAL MARKETS.**

Kirkwood, Livingston & Co's report by Special Telegram to "Evening Mercury."  
MONTREAL, January 24, 1868.  
Flour—Fancy, \$7 85 to \$7 95; Superior No. 1, \$7 40 to \$7 55; Welland Canal, \$7 50. Bag flour, \$5 00 to \$5 70. Oats 45c to 46c. Barley 90c to 95c. Butter—dairy 15c to 17c; store packed 13c to 15c. Ashes—Pots 25 to 30c; lime 25 to 30c.  
Flour market still stagnant, prices nominally unchanged. Grain no sales, rates unchanged. Provisions—Pork quiet, but steady; Hogs in excessive supply and pressed at small decline; Butter neglected. Ashes ditto.

**Money Market.**

HAMILTON, JANUARY 23, 1868.  
Flour—Receipts, 450 bbls; No. 1, at 87 00—Wheat—at 81 65. Peas—82c. Oats—57c to 60c. Barley—\$1 00 to \$1 04.

**Excellent Farm FORS.**

For Sale in Eramosa.  
FOR sale that valuable farm, composed of the West-half of Lot No. 28, 2d Concession, Eramosa.  
**One Hundred Acres!**  
with about 70 acres cleared. Land of excellent quality, and well watered. There is a good

**Two Storey Stone House**

containing nine rooms, pantry, and cellar the whole size of house.  
The building is nearly new. There is also a large FRAME GRABER nearly new, and a thriving young orchard of the best grafted fruit. This property is sold cheap. For terms and particulars apply to  
HENRY HATCH, Guelph.  
Guelph, 10th December, 1867. w3m

**FAMILY KNITTING MACHINE**

Manufactured by the Lamb Knitting Machine Manufacturing Company, CHICOPEE FALLS, N. Y.  
It is the best Family Knitting Machine extant. No other invention affords so profitable employment for women.  
It has taken the highest premium (a Gold Medal) at the Fair of the American Institute, New York, and the Exhibition of the Mass. Charitable Association, Boston, and the Provincial Exhibition at Toronto also, and the highest Premium at every State and County Fair wherever it has been exhibited—eclipsing all other machines.  
It sets up its own work, knits all sizes, widens and narrows, knits the heel into the stocking, and narrows off the toe complete; it knits a yard of plain work in five minutes; a pair of Socks in thirty minutes; knits the single, double, ribbed and fancy flat wels, producing all varieties of knit goods, from an infant's stocking, mitten or glove, to a lady's shawl or hood, without any other machine in the world can do. It is simple, durable, and easily operated.  
Call and see the machine worked, Lot No. 23rd Con. P. O. Box, opposite Coler's Carriage Shop. Samples of Knitting sent on receipt of 25 cents in postage stamps.  
Agents Wanted. JACOB N. COHER,  
Sole Agent for Wellington and Waterloo Counties. Also, Agent for the BARCLAY SEWING MACHINE, manufactured in Paris, Ontario.  
Address Respector P. O. Box 239-3m

**New Saddlery Shop**

Do you want a set of Harness, double or single, light or heavy, call at the new shop, next door to Coffee's Hotel.  
Do you want a good Saddle? We can supply you cheaper than ever, 15 yards from O'Connell's Wellington Hotel.  
Everybody in want of a good Trunk, Valise, or Travelling Bag, can be supplied at the new shop, two doors from the Post Office.

**WHIPS, Horse Covers, Sleigh Bells**

A very large and well-assorted stock of Whips will be sold at 25c. on the dollar, or our former low prices, 50 yards north of St. George's Church.  
We have a few pairs of imported made up Horse Covers, made to order, also a nice lot of Common Blankets.  
Who is more cheerful than the merry Sleigh Bells? We can supply you. Call at the new shop, next door to Mr. Hoover's Livery Office.  
We have on hand all kinds of articles, and will make up on the shortest notice anything you want in the Saddlery line, a few doors South of the Registry Office.  
Brushes, Combs, Spurs, Bits, in endless variety. REPAIRING done as usual.  
In consequence of the present premises being too small for our large stock, we will for a short time have to sell at a reduced price, to keep our present staff of superior workmen.

**SMITH & METCALF,**

Late occupants of the premises, destroyed by fire, adjoining the Alma Block.  
Guelph, 20th December 1867. dwf

**PRIZE DENTISTRY.**

**DR. R. CAMPBELL**  
SURGEON  
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Guelph, 20th June, 1866  
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STEAMERS Weekly from Liverpool and New York, calling at Queenstown.  
A Steamship of this line, consisting of the  
Queen England Virginia  
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Leaves NEW YORK from Pier 47, North River, every Wednesday, and Liverpool on Wednesday of each week, calling at Queenstown each way.  
The size of these Steamships admits of very spacious state-rooms, and being directly into the Saloon. The accommodation and fare are unsurpassed, and the rates lower than by any other line. The accommodation for steerage passengers are large, and plenty of deck room is allowed, whilst the fare is of the best quality, well cooked and ample.  
An experienced Surgeon on each ship, free of charge. Tickets are issued in this country to parties wishing to proceed to the continent, or to Liverpool, or to Queenstown (Ireland), for \$35, American money.  
For tickets, special berths, and all information, apply to  
J. W. MURTON,  
General Passage Agent, No. 9, James Street  
Hamilton.  
Hamilton, 28th Nov, 1867. wlv

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THE COMMERCIAL HOTEL, close to the Railway Station. It is only recently built, contains 17 apartments, has a very large and well finished Ball Room or Hall; also large and commodious stables and driving shed. The house is well supplied with hard and soft water, with wood shed, pig sty, splendid garden, and all other conveniences. In its nearness to the station, and the excellent accommodation it supplies, it does the largest and most profitable business in Rockwood.  
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For terms and other particulars apply to the undersigned (if by letter post-paid) at the Commercial Hotel, near the G. T. R. Station, Rockwood.  
WILLIAM STOVELL,  
Rockwood, 20th October, 1867.

**Valuable Building Lots for Sale IN EVERTON.**

THE subscriber offers for sale, cheap for cash, two valuable building lots in the Village of Everton, being Nos. 132 and No. 143, as laid out on the map made up by Wm. Hawkins, Esq., P. E. S.—There are two-thirds of an acre of land in the two lots, and being close to the District Meeting House, and in a central part of the Village, form excellent sites for building on. For terms apply at the Secretary Office, (if by letter post-paid) to  
DUNCAN ROBERTSON, Esq., P. O. Guelph, Nov. 10th, 1867. wtr

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CAME on the premises of the subscriber about the 1st October last, a steer rising two years. The owner on proving property and paying expenses may take him away.  
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Lot 29, 4th Concession, Eramosa.  
Guelph, 21st January, 1868. w3

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Extra Dark Mink,  
Royal Ermine,  
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And a full assortment of CHILDREN'S FURS, GENTS' SUITERS and GLOVES, SLEIGH ROBES, &c.  
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**The Highest Price paid for Raw Furs**

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Hamilton, November 23 1867. dw3m

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Guelph, 11th Dec, 1867. dw

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ORDERS for Fish, Oil, and West India Produce carefully and promptly executed.  
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The very best of Oysters always on hand, and served up in all styles, and at short notice.  
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With a full assortment of Tobaccos, Refined Sugars, Wines and Liquors and Dry Groceries. All of which will be submitted to the trade, equal to and below Montreal prices.  
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December 10th, 1867

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**DRY GOODS!**  
IS STILL GOING ON AT  
**WM. STEWART'S,**  
Guelph 11th December, 1867. dw

**R. B. MORISON & CO.**

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**Winter Stock of Dry Goods**  
And Ready-made Clothing,  
AT COST AND UNDER and offering GREAT INDUCEMENTS to their customers and the public generally.

**Hardware in great variety, Groceries, Fresh Fruits, &c.**

a new supply of that excellent 50 cent TEA that has astonished the neighborhood. Just to hand, a supply of Crochery and Glassware.  
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Flouring done every day.  
GROUND PLASTER for sale at the Mill, and also in his Old Stand, near the Railway Crossing.  
Guelph 10th December, 1867. dw2m

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THE Star Shuttle Sewing Machine makes a stitch alike on both sides of material sewed, which will not rip or ravel. Does all kinds of work equally as well as Singer's high priced machine. Combines simplicity with durability, and is warranted for five years. It is suited alike for the dressmaker, tailor, manufacturer or family.—Mr. J. SPAFFORD having been appointed General Agent for Ontario, wishes to engage a few good local and travelling agents, to whom good inducements will be offered. For machine, sample of work, or terms, address—  
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**MRS. ROBINSON**  
HAS on hand a varied stock of GENERAL GROCERIES for  
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consisting of Almonds, Brazil Filberts.  
**NEW FRUIT!**  
Figs, Dates, Raisins, Lemons at 25c per dozen.  
Don't forget the stand, next to the Wellington Hotel, where you can get the best and cheapest lot of FANCY GOODS in Guelph.