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Toronto, 13th September, 1866.
Messrs McLaughlin & Wright,
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Guelph, 5th Feb, 1868. J.R.

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FRIDAY EVEN'G, FEB. 14, 1868.

Local News.

A census of Mount Forest has recently been taken. The number of the inhabitants is 1,617 - an increase of 395 since last year.

A Mrs. Bayley, of the township of Minto, gave birth a couple of weeks ago to three fine daughters. They are all living and thriving.

SAFETY SWITCH. - A self-acting switch, invented by Mr. Thomas Fogg, of St. Mary's, has been put into practical operation at that town and some other points on the Grand Trunk. The invention works wholly independent of manual aid, and has fully met the expectations of its promoters.

The Wesleyan Methodists had a tea-meeting at Glenallan on the evening of the 7th inst. The speakers were Messrs. McGuire, Crane, Hagar, Goodwin and Moore. The first three we know are ministers, we presume the others are also. Between forty and fifty dollars will be left after paying expenses to aid the funds of the Sabbath School.

CASE OF THE BOY DARK. - In the case of the death of the boy Dark, at Blanchard, it has been ascertained that the verdict of the coroner's jury, implicating two boys of Mr. John Webster, was not correct in the St. Mary's Argus. - The boy Dark, on the road home from school, in boyish provocation, received a stroke from a willow switch from one of the boys, on the 28th of Nov. He did not get bad until that day week following, and it was ascertained in the interim he fell backwards out of a wagon, and received the injuries which were the immediate cause of death.

INQUEST AT ELMIRA. - On Saturday, the 8th inst., an inquest was held on the body of Mrs. Elizabeth Youst, of Elmira, who was found dead in her bed. The Maple Leaf says: It seems that the deceased, who has lately been somewhat deranged, retired to her bed on the evening in question, when she was watched by her son until about 10 o'clock. Upon his entering her room next morning he found her with the feather bed over her and sleeping as he thought, accordingly he did not disturb her, but upon her not awakening they entered her room and found that she was dead. Dr. Wamsley being notified of the fact, at once empanelled a jury, and they, after hearing the evidence of the witnesses, brought in a verdict of "Died from strangulation."

ANOTHER VETERAN GONE. - The death is announced of Capt. Hector Munro, who expired at Galt on Friday morning, aged 71 years. The deceased entered the army when only 16 years of age as an Ensign in the 49th Regiment of Infantry; he afterwards served in the Royal Canadian Rifles, and in the 2nd or Queen's Royal Regiment. Captain Munro took part in the war of 1812, and was present at the battle of Plattsburgh and Lundy's Lane and Queenston Heights, being almost close to the gallant Brock at the moment when he fell. For his distinguished services in defence of British honor and Canadian liberty, Captain Munro received a medal from the Imperial Government. He afterwards resided in Hamilton, where he was President of the Highland Society. Some time since he was appointed Surveyor of Customs in Galt, in which town he has finished his mortal career.

CONCERT AT HOLLIS. - The Concert at Hollis, in which it was announced that the Wellington Battalion Band was to take part, came off on Wednesday night last, in the Drill Shed at that village. - About five hundred people were present. The Band played a number of pieces to the unbounded delight of the audience, and Mr. Vale's violin solo, and Mr. Walker's performances on the flute and concertina were also very much applauded. Several ladies, among whom were the Misses McLean of Elora, and Mrs. Tuck of Drayton, sang with good effect. Mr. E. R. Martin, of Guelph, played the accompaniments, and sang "I'm not myself at all," and "The Bashful Man." The concert came to a close about 10 o'clock, all agreeing that the concert had been very pleasing and very successful. The Band boys started on their homeward road about half-past nine on Thursday morning, and after sundry upsots (for the roads are very bad), reached Guelph between seven and eight o'clock in the evening.

"FOR PARTS UNKNOWN."

Considerable excitement was caused in business circles yesterday (Thursday) by the report, which on further enquiry was confirmed, that O. Pooley, commission merchant, grain dealer, &c., had left town on Tuesday for parts unknown, leaving behind him debts unsettled to a large amount. Pooley had been doing business in grain, pork, butter, &c., in Guelph for the last seven or eight years, and lately along with some parties from the States he had started, and was conducting, a packing house. It seems that partly from his extravagant mode of living, and other causes, he was getting seriously involved, and had recourse to sundry modes of financing which betokens anything but a healthy state of solvency. We regret to learn that the parties associated with him in the packing business, besides his father-in-law, some of the banks, and several of our merchants and mechanics will be losers to a considerable amount. Some of the banks are secured by warehouse receipts on produce in store, but there are queer rumors afloat in regard to the value and genuineness of some of these receipts. For the present nothing definite can be learned about the amount of his liabilities, but it is generally believed they will foot up to \$10,000, if not more. It is not known what part of the States Pooley has gone to, but it is quite certain he has taken up his abode in some part of that bourne from whence but very few defaulting debtors ever return to Canada. Several of our merchants, we are sorry to say, have lost heavily by him in selling silver to him on short dated notes, which of course are now worthless. It is possible the packing house may be continued as formerly, but as the parties interested are heavy losers by Pooley, their energies may for a time be paralyzed.

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE.

Tuesday, July 13.
Mr. Rykert presented the second report of the Municipal and Assessment committee with a bill embodying the amendments recommended. The following is an abstract of the bill.
Sub-section 5 to 26. - To provide for the erection and repair of Registry Office by the council when town withdraws from jurisdiction.
29. Amended so as to provide separation of junior townships.
48. Amended so as to provide for senior county dividing assets after separation.
79. Mayors and Aldermen in cities. - Qualifications. - Freehold, \$3,000. Leasehold \$6,000.
73. Additional disqualifications of candidates.
75. As to non-payment of taxes by 15th December - repealed. Persons having income or a salary of \$600 allowed to vote on payment of taxes &c.
76. Voters' Qualifications. - Cities, \$500. Towns, \$200. Incorporated villages, \$200. Townships, \$100. Police villages, \$100.
80. Persons rated jointly to vote.
Sub-division 3, section 66. - Councillors. - Three in each ward instead of two.
88. Repealed, as it was opposed to section 66.
Sub-section 3, section 10. - No poll to be demanded.
Section 8 to 100. - No declaration of result of election required.
Sub-section 1 of section 101. - As to nomination of candidates where two electoral divisions.
Sub-section 4 of section 101. - Council to pass by-law fixing for nomination where three electoral districts.
105. Clerk to preside at election of Mayor.
249. Councillors may act as Road Commission Superintendent, &c., and be paid the same as councillors.
243. Additional powers conferred upon incorporated villages.
293. Proviso made as to clearing streams and creeks running through two or more municipalities.
296. Certain powers given to counties over highways &c. Police Commissioners to control licenses of cabmen, &c., in cities.
397. Part of oath relating to Secret Societies struck out.
345. Counties and townships to have power to sell mineral rights in roads, &c.
413. As to Houses of Refuge. - Unting counties, and towns separated from counties.
Mr. Rykert then introduced the said Bill. Second reading on Monday.
Hon. Mr. Cameron brought down the estimates, which will be found in another column.
The petition of the widow of the late Wm. Lyon Mackenzie for a sum voted by the House of Assembly of Upper Canada to Mr. Mackenzie, for his services in England in 1853, but which had never been paid, was referred to a committee.
The Erie and Niagara Extension Bill was read a third time and passed.
The House went into committee of the whole on Mr. Oliver's Bill relating to butter and cheese manufacturers. Some amendments were made in it, and it was ordered for a third reading to-morrow.

Conviction of Sir G. E. Culling Eardley for Bigamy.

The trial of Sir Culling Eardley for bigamy took place at the Central Criminal Court, London, on the 27th of Jan'y, before the Recorder. It will be recollected that the baronet was married on the 13th of December, 1859, by the Rev. Dr. Hawks, at Calvary Church, New York, to Emily Florence, daughter of James Magee, a cotton broker. The father of Lady Eardley and Mr. Charles Frederick Moseley testified that they were present at the marriage, and that it was properly performed and registered according to the law and custom of the State of New York, and that Dr. Hawks at the time made a voluntary statement that the marriage would be as good in England as elsewhere. Mr. R. DeTracy Gould, a member of the New York bar, testified that it was a strictly legal marriage. It was then proved that Lady Eardley had been compelled to separate from Sir Culling in 1863, on account of his infidelity and debauchery. In the separation deed Sir Culling had, under oath, acknowledged that she was his wife. It also appeared that Sir Culling had run through the whole of his fortune over which he had power. Fortunately for the lady, however, the father of her husband, knowing his son's proclivities, had made a strict settlement before his death on the wife, which placed her in comfortable circumstances. It was then shown that in September, 1867, Sir Culling married Miss Bessie Allen, an actress at Drury Lane Theatre, a young lady of great beauty, irreproachable character, and some property. Miss Allen did not appear against Sir Culling, but it was understood in court that the deception and fraud he had practised upon her was of a most scandalous nature. It was evident that he never intended that the marriage should have been published, but it was so published by the sister of Miss Allen in the Times, and in this way became known to the friends of Lady Eardley. The paltry fines set up was that the first marriage was an informal and illegal one, but the Recorder condemned the attempt to set up such an excuse in very strong terms. The jury returned a verdict of guilty, without leaving the box, and the baronet was immediately sentenced to 18 months imprisonment with hard labor, the Recorder telling him that, had the wife of the second marriage appeared against him, he would have got five years' penal servitude.

NOT QUITE READY.

"C. B. B.," an apparently well-informed correspondent of the Times, states that till 1869 Russian armaments need give no alarm. The Government of St. Petersburg has made a number of contracts for the supply of breech-loaders in several countries of Europe and America, but the contractors are not required to deliver up the arms till the spring of 1869. It will be some time after that before the Russian hordes are prepared to use them.
The Spirit of the Age - organ of the Licensed Victuallers - says that three-fourths of the signatures on the petitions against that association are the names of women and children. The objects of the Victuallers must have a peculiar bearing to demand a protest from women and children.

DEMONEST'S MONTHLY.

Mr. Demorest has won the hearts of the ladies this year, by giving them all sorts of silverware, silk dresses, and other valuable things, for premiums. We have seen some of these "inducements," and find them really beautiful and valuable, like the Magazine itself. One lady has supplied herself with a sewing-machine, a parlor organ, and a set of silver spoons and forks, in less than three years. We don't wonder that it is easy to get subscribers to "Demorest." The book is worth the money without any premium. Publication Office, 473 Broadway, N. Y. Send for a circular.
The area of the cities of Ontario are, Toronto, the largest, 5,885 acres; Hamilton, 2,307 acres; Kingston, 2,930 acres; Ottawa, 1,829; London, 1,245 acres.

BY TELEGRAPH

Despatches to the Evening Mercury

BY ATLANTIC CABLE.

Lisbon, Feb. 13. - The Portuguese Government has authorized Edward Medlicott, banker of Lisbon, and The Humball, engineer of London, to lay a new telegraphic cable across the Atlantic. The line is to run from Falmouth, England, to Oporto, thence to the Azores, and from these islands to some point on the coast of the United States. The new cable is to be submerged on the Allen principle. The estimated total expense of the enterprise will not exceed £600,000 stg.
Cork, Feb. 13th. - Several assaults were made upon the police yesterday, in different parts of the city. The authorities are taking effective measures to put a stop to these disorders.
Dublin, Feb. 13. - The prisoner Lennon has been acquitted of murdering the policeman Kelly.
Berlin, Feb. 13. - Prime Minister Count von Bismarck promises that steps shall be taken by the Prussian Government to prevent the repetition of such cases as that of the emigrant ship *Leviathans*, and that negotiations for that end shall be immediately commenced.
Florence, Feb. 13. - The Italian papers insist that Admiral Farragut is charged by his government with an important mission in regard to Italy, and also in connection with the affairs of Candia.
London, Feb. 13. - Parliament re-assembled at 4 o'clock this afternoon. In the House of Lords there was a full attendance, but Lord Derby was not present, being ill with the gout. After the preliminaries incident to re-opening of the session, the House adjourned without transacting any business. In the House of Commons, Mr. Leveque gave notice of his intention of calling up the question of the Alabama claims on the 4th of March. Lord Stanley said no despatch had been received from Washington later than the one last published. Mr. Disraeli brought in a bill to prevent bribery and corruption in elections. It provides for a committee of enquiry, consisting of eminent lawyers to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Commons, which is to visit the places of election and investigate charges of bribery. After considerable debate the bill was read for the first time. The House then adjourned.
London, Feb. 13. - It is reported that a great Pan-Slavonic conspiracy against the Austrian empire has been discovered in Hungary.

American Despatches.

New York, Feb. 13. - The Herald's special from Cape Haytien says: The Cairo rebels were moving onwards with great success. In a recent engagement they had captured 300 of President Salnave's troops, and had established their headquarters within 20 miles of Cape Haytien. They had shot several of their opponents, including a general. This despatch does not specify whether these were shot in battle or after their capture. The general opinion at the Cape was that President Salnave would soon fall from power. A British man-of-war had gone to Samana to watch the doings of the U.S. representatives in that quarter of the island.

INDIAN RAILWAYS.

The Government of India is progressing rapidly towards a purchase of all the railways in the country. The Times Calcutta correspondent is informed that a discussion has taken place in the Indian Council on the contracts to be made for new lines and on the advisability of the State's buying out all present shareholders in those that exist. In the future railway extensions Sir John Lawrence is anxious to obtain so much control as to enable the Government to suspend or dismiss railway officials, to buy up railways by a sinking fund, and to pay the interest of capital of lines in course of construction. After fifteen years' experience of Indian railways, this correspondent does not hesitate to say that every one of the 4,000 miles open have cost on an average not less than £2000 more than was necessary. The East Indian cost £19,000 per mile. In the case of Bombay and Punjab lines, if the expenditure had been properly checked, it is estimated that the shareholders would have been receiving 6 per cent, and the Treasury had been relieved of the half million a year which the guarantee still costs. The trunk system of India will be completed in 1870, at a cost of 81 millions of English capital. To this the Indian Government has added 74 millions, in the form of land, interest, expenses of control, and loss by exchange. The Indian Government has, therefore, some right to interfere.

The Bank of Montreal at Kingston, had a narrow escape from being destroyed by fire on Monday afternoon. About one o'clock fire was discovered in the basement occupied by the furnace and kitchen, but was extinguished after great exertions by the firemen. Very slight damage was done in the furnace room by the fire, but the building is greatly injured through the entire extent by smoke and water. Two of the women servants were nearly suffocated. The loss cannot be estimated at present.

MR. MCGEE and ST. PATRICK'S SOCIETY. - Mr. McGee, in a letter to the Montreal News, repudiates any connection with a movement said to be on foot for a reconsideration of the resolution expelling him from the St. Patrick's Society. He says that under no circumstances, short of a thorough reformation of the society, could he consent to his name being inserted on the new books, and that to be creditable to any one, a national society ought to be above suspicion.

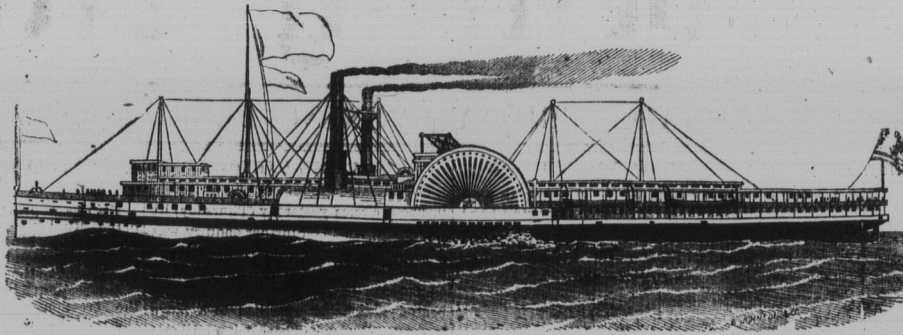
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FRIDAY EV'NG. FEB. 14. 1868.

Brain Science.

A paper by B. W. Richardson M. D., F. R. S. lately appeared in the English *Popular Science Review*, on the Physics of the Brain from which we glean the following information.—Prior to the time of Charles the Second, the nature and functions of the brain were a complete mystery; so much so that some thought the secretions of the nostrils were identical with brain matter. A Dr. Willis, who lived in that reign, proved that the brain was flesh and blood; that it was divided into distinct parts; that it was found in animals as well as men, but in much smaller quantity; and that the quality of mind bore a certain relation to the quantity and quality of the brain. Gall carried his investigations in the same line much further; and Spurzheim added something, though he went off in the metaphysical direction, instead of adhering to the path of strict physical investigation. Hence phrenology grew up as a science in advance of facts on which to found it. Next came Majendie and other anatomists of the French school, who, by cruel experiments on living animals, ascertained a number of very important facts concerning the working of the brain; all of which, however, were liable to uncertainty, on account of the disturbance of the living functions by the operations performed.

Dr. Arnott made the greatest discovery that the brain might be frozen in part, and yet completely recover all its functions; and subsequent experiments have demonstrated that the whole brain may be frozen, without preventing the lungs and heart from continuing to act and the brain will slowly but completely recover all its powers by the gradual restoration of heat. If, however, the freezing extends to the spine, the lungs cease to act and the functions of life cannot be restored. Cold-blooded animals may be thus frozen for a long time and recover, but warm-blooded animals would gradually sink if the process of brain-freezing were prolonged. When the brain of a warm-blooded animal has been frozen into a lump of ice, as far as the eighty-four per cent. of water in it is concerned, its powers are as completely suspended as in actual death, and the operation of caloric on it brings out signs of intelligence first, then attempts at forward motion, then sensation, and finally the animal recovers, and its memory is restored as completely as ever. From this it is inferred, that all the knowledge acquired by the senses is stamped on various parts of the brain, and, when sensation returns, the stamps or photographs or impressions are just the same as before the freezing.

A very singular result occurs where the forepart only of the brain is frozen. The animal then rushes forward; and, if the back part only is frozen, it rushes backward, tumbling over and over, and showing that in neither case has it any control over its motions. The explanation is, that the faculties balance each other, and if we destroy for a time one set of them, the other acts with uncontrolled power. This is the desire to leap over a precipice, or to rush madly forward in a battle-field to shed blood. The excitement, in either case, has paralyzed to a considerable extent, the front part of the brain, and the back part, with its strong animal impulses obtains unchecked sway.

REMOVAL.—Mr. James Cormack has finally removed to the store in Mr. Hogg's new block of buildings, and has opened out. His old customers will know where to find him, and with him a large stock of excellent cloths and clothing. His present extensive and elegant establishment will enable him to accommodate, while at the same time it will entice new patrons. Good fits and perfect satisfaction are the rule, not the exception, at Mr. Cormack's.

More than a hundred make a livelihood in New York by catching rats and selling them to the rat-pits.

CHINESE REBELLION.—At the beginning of the new year the rebellion in China was still unsuppressed, but our information about its progress and present condition is very indefinite.—It is admitted that recently the Imperialists were defeated in a great battle, and suffered an immense loss; but they claim to have since regained the ground they had lost. It is well known that no matter where a traveller may go in China the one grand characteristic feature that forces itself upon his notice is a redundant population. In the battle above referred to 80,000 men are said to have been left dead upon the field, but even such a slaughter will be a considerable time in diminishing very sensibly the four or five hundred millions that swarm on the face of China, particularly as Chang and Tung-Tung will pause and stroke their pigtails a considerable interval between such efforts.

The German papers are filled with heart-rending details of the famine which now prevails in Eastern Prussia, in consequence of the failure of three successive crops. In a number of places typhus fever has broken out, and the amount of misery met with among thousands of people baffles description. The Prussian Government and local committees are making the utmost efforts to afford much relief as possible to the sufferers.

The *Saturday Review* remarks that no single item of news, of at all a reliable kind, that has hitherto come us from Abyssinia is bad. Everything is a little better than we were led to expect. There is more water, the are better passes, the natives are more friendly. We may therefore hope that things will go on well, even though they go on very slowly and very pensively.

STEAM SHIP ACCIDENT.—Messrs. Mavor, the Liverpool shipowners, have successfully defended an action brought against them by Mr. Fox, a gentleman of Yorkshire, who was severely injured whilst taking a passage to America aboard the *Scotia*. Whilst the *Scotia* lay at anchor at Queenstown, Mr. Fox sat on deck reading, and when the dinner rang, in his hurry to reach the dining saloon, he mistook his way and tumbled through an open hatchway into the house. For the defence it was shown that Captain Judkins, the commander of the *Scotia*, that he had commanded that vessel for six years, and had, during the time conveyed 25,570 passengers across the Atlantic without a single accident. In a vessel taking in cargo it was inevitable that the hatchways should be open and passengers ought themselves to be with reasonable caution. The jury held the defence good, and found for the defendants.

STRANGE DISEASE AMONG THE ENGLISH HORSES IN ABYSSINIA.—A curious fact in connection with the English expedition to Abyssinia now absorbs the attention of veterinary surgeons in Europe. On arriving at Adala the cavalry horse and transport mules were taken with a sudden illness, which Dr. Jones, of the expeditionary corps, asserts to have its seat in the heart. So far it has proved incurable. Out of four hundred and seventy-five horses landed at Zoualis October 25, one hundred and twenty died and forty had to be left behind. About two hundred and fifty mules had fallen victims to the disease. This leaves about one-third of the vanguard dismounted. The natives assert that the region is mortal to the genus horse; they never bring the animal there.

The *Court Journal* of the 25th ultimo says: Viscount Monck has been requested to retain the government of all the Canadas for another year, owing to the impossibility of removing the Earl of Mayo, who is named to succeed Lord Monck, from the Chief Secretaryship of Ireland, at the present unsettled state of affairs.

The Estimates for Ontario.

The estimates of receipts and expenditure for Ontario were laid before the House yesterday (Thursday), by the Hon. E. B. Wood.

The Treasurer estimates an outlay of \$1,293,837, and an income of \$1,853,638.91, showing a surplus of nearly \$500,000, which is the estimated surplus of the year.

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Thick and Broken Wind,
Coughs, Colds, Inflammation of the Lungs,

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

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Guelph, 29th Jan. 1868.

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THE Guelph Amateur Dramatic Club intend giving another of their popular entertainments in the TOWN HALL,

On Wednesday, 19th Feb.,

When the celebrated Tragedy, in Five Acts, entitled

BARBAROSSA!

By John Brown, D. D. will be produced for the first time in Guelph, to conclude with the rising Farce of

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Tickets 25c. Reserved seats 50c.

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Guelph, Feb. 11th, 1868

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

New Advertisements.

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Next the Hardware Store of JOHN HORSMAN, ESQ. On hand, a large Stock of first-class

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Why, at BERRY'S to be Sure!

WHO'S BERRY? WHY?

The Confectioner on Wyndham-st

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Guelph, 11th February, 1868.

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BY FRANK H. ALFRIEND, of Richmond, Va., formerly editor of the "Southern Literary Messenger," and well known both during and after the war, from his connection with the Richmond press. This is a full, complete and authentic history of the life and services of the great Southern leader. It is a new and original work, and sheds a flood of light upon many important subjects connected with the late war, which have never been understood—or, at best imperfectly so—because the facts necessary to their illumination have remained inaccessible to all previous writers. Mr. Alfrend has unequalled and peculiar advantages in the preparation of this volume, as will be apparent to all on examination. It will, everywhere he looked for with eager interest, and is certain to prove one of the most rapidly selling books ever published.—For circulars giving full particulars, terms, &c., address D. D. EGERTON, Hamilton, General Agent for Canada. Agent for Guelph, Town and Township, and Erin, JOHN WORSFOLD.

Feb. 12th, 1868.

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SHAVING, HAIR CUTTING, SHAMPOONING, and HAIR COLOURING,

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Making and doing up Curls for Ladies. Guelph, February 6th.

Strayed or Stolen.

STRAYED or stolen from the premises of the subscriber, Macdonnell Street, on the 30th January last, a white cow, medium size, 4 years old, with horns turned in at the top. Any person giving such information as will lead to her recovery will be handsomely rewarded.

WILLIAM ARMSTRONG, Guelph, 5th Feb. 1868.

SEED WHEAT.

FOR sale by the subscriber, a quantity of Wheat, known as "Amber," or "Flat's" Midge Proof," a new variety. By J. B. CANADA FARMER, vol. 3, pages 41 and 121. JOHN KIRKLAND, Guelph Tp. Guelph, 25th Jan. 1868.

FIRE AT ALMA BLOCK.---REMOVAL!

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(SUCCESSORS TO HENRY MULHOLLAND)

HARDWARE IMPORTERS,

Corner Wyndham and Cork-sts., near the Gore Bank, Guelph.

NEW HARDWARE!

THE Subscriber's attention having been called to some prices of Hardware quoted in Saturday's daily issue of this paper, which are stated as being at cost, we think it proper to inform our customers and the public, that we have been selling at LOWER, remember LOWER than these prices for some time past. Nor do we desire to mislead the public by telling them we sell at cost, for we shall not advertise to sell at cost unless we should happen to have "old" and "unsaleable stock." Our reason for being enabled to SELL CHEAP is owing to our superior facilities for buying goods low for cash, and our selling at small profits.

Remember our customers and the public may now, as always, rely on their buying goods as low at our establishment, as in either Toronto or Hamilton, as it is from these cities we feel most competition.

Guelph, 10th Feb., 1868.

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JOHN M. BOND & CO.

Insolvent Act of 1864.

In the matter of Thomas M. Grier, AN INSOLVENT.

COUNTY OF WELLINGTON, BY the authority of the Court of the County of Wellington, in and for the County of Wellington, 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 English, County of Wellington, Province of Ontario, composed of Village Lot number Eight, on the Estate of Queen Street, in Donald McEdward's Survey, in the Village of Morriston, butted and bounded as is described in a deed from John M. Schenker and wife to the said Insolvent, made the 22nd February, 1860, with Dwelling House, Barn, Stable and outbuildings thereon, and a good garden, with woodlands of an acre.

TERMS --- CASH.

Further particulars may be had on the premises, or at the office of Messrs. McLennan & 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.

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 Representative for the County of Wellington will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, to the highest bidder, at his Chambers, at the Court House, in the Town of Guelph,

On FRIDAY, 10th APRIL, 1868

at noon, the South-easterly half of the lot or South-west half of Lot Three, in the first concession of Division B, of the Township of Guelph, containing thirty eight acres more or less, together with the right of road used by G. C. and Fallister. This property will be sold subject to a lease expiring on 2nd May, 1869, for the sum of \$60 a year rent.

Terms of Sale --- Five Hundred Dollars cash and the balance in three equal annual payments with interest on the unpaid principal, at 8 per cent per annum to be secured by a mortgage on the property, and bond of the purchaser.

Further particulars as to lease, title, &c., may be had on application of Messrs. Lennox & Peterson, Guelph, Solicitors for the Petitioner, and to Mr. T. W. Saunders, Solicitor for infants.

Dated at Chambers, Guelph, Jan. 8, 1868.

A. MASON, Ld., Real Representative of the County of Wellington.

Funerals, Funerals!



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

NATHAN TOVELL, Nelson Crescent Guelph, 27th Aug. 1867.

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Guelph Dec. 17th, 1867.

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Guelph, 27th Jan, 1868.

The Fruit Depot.

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Guelph, February 6, 1868.

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SCHOOL BOOKS

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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 15th January, 1868.

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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.

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No. 40, Wyndham Street, Guelph

Guelph, January, 9th, 1868.

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STATEMENT IN COMPLIANCE WITH ACT OF PARLIAMENT, 23rd Vic., Cap. 33, Section 11.

THE Capital of this Company is £2,500,000 sterling, divided into 50,000 shares of £50 each. The number of shares issued is 30,000. Calls to the amount of £5 per share have been made, under which the sum of £250,000 have been received.

THE LIABILITIES of the Company on the 1st day of July, 1867, were:

On Notes and Bills	£ 25 14 3d
On Estimated Liabilities, including Duty, Fire, Life, and Marine Losses	30,000 0a 0d
	£30,425 14s 3d

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Government Securities	£54,787 13 4	£54,787 0 0	86,212 18 5
Consols	25,000 0 0	31,990 17 11	
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Bills (drafts not matured)		£13,102 8 3	
Cash at bankers and office		7,905 4 3	
Stamps in hand		482 15 9	
On deposit at bankers, &c.		23,000 0 0	44,482 8 6
Other Securities			
Madras Railway Debentures	£ 5,000 0 0		
Lancashire and Yorkshire Debentures	2,750 0 0		
Bombay Railway Stock	17,358 1 9		
Ceylon Company's Debentures	10,000 0 0		
Great Southern of India Railway Shares	39,876 7 7		
Canada 5 per cent Stock (Subscribed)	10,000 0 0		
Prepaid Office in Cornwall		78,050 10 7	
Due from Agents, &c.		65,883 90 0	
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		£487,914 12 2	

FIRE BRANCH.

Amount of Losses due and unpaid	£12,890 0 0
do do on suspense	nil
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Amount of Premiums Earned during the Year	£52,753 8 1
Unearned	33,000 0 0
	£7,753 17 7

J. JAMES ROSE, of the City of Montreal, merchant, one of the General Agents for Canada of the Commercial Union Assurance Company do hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing statement is correct and true.

Sworn before me, at the City of Montreal, this 30th day of January, 1868.

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Guelph, Feb. 12th, 1868.

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THE American Watch Company of Waltham, Mass., being determined to place their several grades of Watches at prices within the reach of all parties, and to effectually shut out all Swiss counterfeits, have decided from this date to supply their Watches in the Dominion of Canada at the net Gold value of American Currency. The Company by thus paying all duty, costs and charges on their Watches into Canada, will supply to the people of the Dominion the

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December 10th, 1867.

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Guelph Evening Mercury OFFICE.....MACDONNELL STREET. FRIDAY, EVENG. FEB 14, 1868.

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

A Tale of the Covenanters. 'No, no, Charlie, do not say so,' screamed Marion, and again she was about to fling herself on the ground in supplication, but Walter restrained her. 'For my sake, for both our sakes, you must not do this. His answer had not disappointed me. He is incapable of manifesting either honor or generosity. This,' he bitingly added, 'is the result of spurning his life at Birkenleuch.'

'It was at my request,' moaned Marion. 'It is I that have ruined you.'

'Exactly,' observed Allan, with fiendish malice. 'Had you not rejected me for him he might to-day have been living safely at Birkenleuch. You chose to thwart me, and you are now receiving the consequences. Egad, as matters have turned out, I am as well pleased at being balked before, for I have got the estate, and my chance for a wife looks better than ever.'

This language was more than Walter could endure. In a transport of rage he sprang on Allan, clutched him by the throat, and on this occasion, had no help been at hand, the last moment of his life would have come, but loudly he called on those he had stationed without, and in an instant a band of men rushed into the room, and Walter was secured.

With frantic grief Marion clung to him, and when they tried to drag her away she besought them to allow her to go with him to prison, and share his fate, whatever that might be. Charlie ruthlessly ordered them to be separated; but, as each could have required a force greater than even these rough officials had the heart to use, his order was not obeyed, and she was permitted to accompany them up the street to the door of the Privy Council—which had not yet risen for the day.

Here a very brief examination sufficed to produce the order for Walter to be sent to the Tolbooth, to await his trial in the next morning. Sharpe, and Bothes, and the others, required to spend little time in coming to this decision. He was already well known to them by report as a chief actor in the insurrection—as one who had already been outlawed and his estate forfeited. He admitted all that was brought against him, and boldly justified his conduct with the bitter recklessness of one who knew that his fate was already determined.

He was sent to prison strongly guarded, and on passing through the ante-room, where Marion waited in breathless anxiety, he gently broke to her the sad intelligence. They must part now. She could not possibly accompany him to the Tolbooth, but was told she would be allowed to visit him there in the morning.

'God bless and protect you, Marion,' he said, as he snatched her to his bosom in a parting embrace. 'With a great sob he released her, and she sank down upon a wooden seat in a hall weon.

When she recovered Walter and his guard had departed. Uttering a loud cry of agony she rushed out to follow, hardly knowing in her distraction what she was doing. When she reached the Tolbooth, Walter had been led within, and the great iron gates were shut. Then she sat down on the stone steps and wept in grief and woe.

'Puddin's an' panchees! what's the matter?' exclaimed a loud voice at her side, and looking up she beheld Sir Gilbert Barton. 'She started to her feet, and wildly grasped his arm.

'Oh, Sir Gilbert, will you save him?' she vehemently cried. 'Eh—what?' returned the Baronet, who did not till then recognize her. 'Oh, sakes, I declare it's Miss Marion Gordon—the Mrs. Elliot, I mean. What in a' the world are ye doin' here?'

'Walter is taken prisoner, and he is there,' she answered, pointing to the gloomy building. 'Oh, sakes, puddin's an' panchees, that's an a' the business; but I dinna wonder at it. He wad gang wi' the rebels, the stupid gowd that he is, and what else could he expect?'

ve did what ye did in a' honesty, and because ye thought it was richt, and what for should I make any odds in my friendship, I have a warm side to ye, Watty, both for yer father's sake and for yer ain, and wad gie a gey blyce o' Brankwood tae get ye out o' the scrape.

TO BE CONTINUED. Theodore's Position and Power. The special correspondent of the London Post says:—Two days ago I was talking to an Abyssinian chief who had been educated at Bombay, and speaks English well, and he had been very intimate with King Theodore. He represented him as very passionate and vindictive, with an enormous influence over the minds, not only of his own subjects, but of all whom he came in contact with; 'in fact,' said he, 'were Theodore to lay himself on the ground and say, "No one can pass over my body," all his people would implicitly believe it as a fact.'

'This almost beats Canute and the waves. "You will never catch him," continued the chief, "he may fight—it is not probable; but he will be sure to escape, even if he has to sacrifice the prisoners and his whole army; he never sleeps for more than half an hour without rising from his couch and personally inspecting his guards, and he always carries two pistols, one for his enemy and the other for himself. No doubt my friend was a little infected with the prevailing dread of the fierce Theodore, although so far out of his reach; but I fear he is right in saying that search for the king in his native fastnesses will be like looking for a black cat in a coal cellar. I inquired what were the probabilities of conspiracy against him, or assassination, and was told, "He is too superstitiously looked up to. It is, of course, impossible at the present moment to assume what the actual plan of the campaign will be, but in the event of our having to penetrate all the way to Magdala and Debra Tabor, I believe the advance will be conducted with unparalleled care and caution. The two principal posts on the line of march are Antalo and Sokota, and at each of these places, as at Senafa ample provisions and supplies of all kinds will be laid in before we proceed one step in advance from each depot in succession. In this case it must prove a lengthy business, and as the heavy rains set in about May, it will probably be September next before we reach King Theodore's capital.'

A Teacher Wanted. We take the following from the Ottawa Times:—Wanted a teacher holding a first class certificate. Salary two hundred and fifty dollars per annum.

The above announcement caught our eye yesterday morning, and our first feeling was one of astonishment, that any man should be found in the whole Province of Ontario, who would put his name to it without blushing. Two hundred and fifty dollars per annum—eighty cents per day, when common labourers readily command a dollar! Our next feeling of astonishment ought to be, that any man not physically disqualified for manual labour would accept a situation as first class teacher for such a paltry sum. But unfortunately in the days of fashion and refinement, ambitious young men are dreadfully afraid of spoiling their hands by what is called "hard work," and are afraid to accept the position of "dominie" at starvation wages, rather than qualify themselves for the battle of life by the acquisition of some useful mechanical occupation, or the no less useful cultivation of the soil.

If school trustees really expect to get good teachers, and keep them, they must offer salaries more commensurate with the duties and responsibilities of the position, and if able bodied "male teachers, holding first class certificates," understood their own interests, they would find many more profitable ways of employing their time and talents, than in becoming "knights of the fernie," at eighty cents per day.

COAL OIL. Another supply of No. 1 Coal Oil at 15 cents per gallon, and Tin Cans of any size with patent tops and spouts; also another supply of the new Burners, at John Horsman's.

COMMERCIAL. The Guelph Markets. MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH, February 14, 1868.

Flour, per 100 lbs. \$3 75 4 00 Fall Wheat per bushel. 1 15 1 40 Spring Wheat. 1 50 1 57 Oats. 0 50 0 55 Peas. 40 0 89 0 85 Barley. 40 1 10 1 19 Hay, per ton. 11 00 11 00 Straw. 4 00 5 00 Shingles per square. 1 00 1 20 Wood per cord. 1 00 1 20 Wool. 0 27 0 27 Eggs per dozen. 0 14 0 18 Butter (16 lbs) per lb. 0 18 0 18 Cheese, each. 0 25 0 25 Turkeys do. 0 80 0 70 Chickens per pair. 0 20 0 28 Ducks do. 0 20 0 20 Potatoes. 0 60 0 70 Apples per bushel. 0 00 2 00 Lamb per lb. 0 06 0 06 Beef. 0 40 0 60 Pork per lb. 0 50 0 55 Sheep Pelts each. 0 50 0 75 Lamb skins. 0 40 0 45 Hides per 100 lbs. 6 00 6 00

MONEY MARKET. JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE, Guelph, February 14, 1868.

Gold, 340s. Greenback lot at 70 to 71; sold at 71 to 72. Silver bought at 46 to 47; sold at 44 to 45. Upper Canada Bank Bills bought at 50 to 55. Commercial Bank Bills bought at 55 to 56 full rate in silver.

MONTREAL MARKETS. Kirkwood, Livingstone & Co's. report by Special Telegram to 'Evening Mercury' Montreal, February 13, 1868.

Flour—Fancy, \$7 70 to \$7 75; Superior No. 1, \$7 50 to \$7 65; Wolland Canal, \$7 60. Bag Flour, \$1 00 to \$1 05. Oats, 46c to 47c. Barley, 30c to \$1. Butter—Lard, \$5 10 to \$5 15; store packed, 14c to 15c. Ashes—Soft \$5 25 to \$5 30; pearls \$5 75 to \$5 75.

TORONTO, February 13, 1868. Flour—Receipts, 5000 bushels; No. 1, at \$7 05 to \$7 10; No. 2, at \$6 85 to \$6 90. Spring Wheat \$1 02 to \$1 03. Oats, 50c. Barley \$1 24 to \$1 25. Peas, 90c.

HAMILTON, February 13, 1868. Fall wheat, \$1 70 to \$1 77. Spring do. \$1 55 to \$1 60 per bushel. Barley—\$1 41 to \$1 45. Oats—50c to 55c. Peas—80c to 85c. Pork—25c to 28c.

GUELPH LUMBER MARKET. (Compiled by Messrs. Gowdy & Stewart, of Wellington Lumber Yard.)

FURS, FURS, FURS. WE have opened our stock of FURS, consisting of all the most valuable, which we will sell at LOW PRICES, viz: Extra Dark Mink, Royal Ermine, Siberian Squirrel, River Mink, Ladies' Hoods, And a full assortment of CHILDREN'S FURS, GENTS' WAFFLES and GLOVES, SLIGHT ROBES, &c. F. GARLAND, Market Square, Guelph.

The Highest Price paid for Raw Furs Guelph, Oct. 31, 1867. NEW SADDLERY SHOP. Do you want a set of Harness, double or single, light or heavy, call at the new shop, next door to Coffey's Hotel.

WHIPS, Horse Covers, Sleigh Balls. 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.

MRS. HUNTER'S FANCY STORE. West Market Square. JUST received, a large lot of FANCY GOODS, all kinds, suitable for PRESENTS for Christmas and New Year's.

Berlin & Fancy Wools. Stamping for Binding and Embroidery. MRS. HUNTER, Guelph, 14th Dec., 1867.

Valuable Property! FOR SALE LOW. TOWN OF GUELPH. 1. Lots 7, 8 and 9, Perth Street, with large frontage on the Erasmus Road.

NEW Oyster Rooms Valentine Wald. BEGS to announce to the public that he has fitted up Oyster Rooms in connection with his Hotel, on MACDONNELL STREET.

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NOTICE. MR. CHAS. CRUNDY who has been my bookkeeper for several years in Guelph, is authorized to collect all debts due to me, and to grant receipts in my name for all payments that may be paid to him on my account.

STRAYED STEER. CAME on the subscriber's premises in Nov. or her last, a Steer rising two years old. The owner or finder of the property and paying expenses can take him away.

PHOTOGRAPHS. W. BURGESS. BEGS to inform his friends and the public that he has received a large lot of FINEST suitable for

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TROTTER & GRAHAM, DENTISTS! GUELPH and BRAMPTON, Members of the Dental Association of the Province of Ontario.

Over Mr. Higginbotham's Drug Store. REFERENCES—Rev. Archdeacon Palmer, Dr. Galt, Parker and Herrick, Guelph; A. F. Scott, Esq., County Judge; George Green, County Attorney; Dr. Pattullo, M. D.; Rev. Mr. Arnold—Brampton; Dr. Barnhart, Warden of Reel; Dr. Hampton, Resident Surgeon Toronto Hospital.

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300 TONS. Instead of 500, and we would then fore advise those requiring any to purchase early.

A small lot of very fine Clover Seed on hand. JAS. MASSIE & CO. Guelph, 17th January 1868.

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