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## Wellington Boot & Shoe Manufactory

WYNHAM-ST., GUELPH.

## JOHN A. McMILLAN

Has much pleasure in intimating to the Trade that he is now prepared to supply at the

Lowest Wholesale Prices Boots and Shoes of every Description, Style, and Variety.

All Manufactured by himself in Guelph. Dealers are requested to call and examine my stock and prices, and they will find a much better article than any imported work, and their price as low as the lowest. Terms, Liberal.

WANTED, a number of good journeymen to work on Ladies' Kid, Goat, Prunella and Canvas Gaiters, in connection with the McKay Sewing Machine.

LEATHER WANTED. Tanners can find a cash market for every description of Leather, any quantity, at any time, at the Wellington Boot and Shoe Manufactory.

SPECIAL NOTICE. The whole of the present stock of Boots and Shoes, Rubbers and Moccasins, will be sold cheaper than any man can sell imported work. This is no humbug. Call and see, and remember the spots—Guelph, Fergus and Elora.

JOHN A. McMILLAN, Bootmaker for the Millinery, Guelph, 4th January, 1869. dw

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MITCHELL & TOVELL

Having bought out Mr. Nathan Tovell's Horse, harness, &c., we hope by strict attention to business to gain a share of public patronage. We will have

A full assortment of COFFINS always on hand.

Funerals furnished if required. Carpenter work done as usual. Premises, a few doors north of Post Office, and next D. Guitrie's Law Office, Douglas Street, Guelph.

JOHN MITCHELL. NATHAN TOVELL, Jr. Guelph, December 12. dely

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HEAD OFFICES.—Old Broad Street, and 15 Pall Mall, London.

GENERAL AGENCY FOR CANADA.—24 St. St. Granville Street, Montreal.

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JOHN M. BOND, Agent, Guelph. Guelph, 14th Nov. dw

## Mrs. ROBINSON'S DOMINION STORE

Mrs. ROBINSON begs to inform her patrons, and the public, that she is still in the old stand, and is able and willing to supply the wants of all who give her a call. She has lately received a fine

Stock of Dried and other Fruits.

FANCY GOODS of all kinds. A splendid lot of Berlin Woollens; also the Largest Stock of Woollens to be had in any store in town, including English, Fingering, Doublet, Berlin, double and single, Fleecy, Merino, and Fancy Woollens of every description. All kinds of Canadian Yarns.

MEN'S UNDERCLOTHING and SOCKS.

Also, Ladies' Breakfast Shawls. Stockings of all colors, of the best quality made and can be bought cheap.

Stamping and binding done to order.

Guelph, Jan. 23, 1869. MRS. ROBINSON. dwif

## NOTICE TO DEBTORS.

## ESTATE LATE DR. PARKER.

The Executors of the late Dr. Parker have placed the Medical Accounts of the said Estate in the hands of Mr. R. McCreith for collection. He is authorized to grant receipts for the same. He will be found at the store of Messrs. C. & T. Meredith, west side of Wyndham Street, a few doors below the Old Post Office. All accounts not paid by 1st February next will be taken in suit in the Division Court.

GEORGE ELLIOTT, N. HIGGINBOTHAM, EDWARD BLAKE, Executors.

## PUBLIC NOTICE.

All persons indebted to the Estate of the late JOHN HEARBY CLARKE are requested to call on one of the Administrators and settle before the 1st of February next, and all parties having claims against the said Estate will please present them on or before the above date for payment.

JAMES G. WRIGHT, JOHN KIRKLAND, WILLIAM STEVENSON, Administrators to the Estate.

Guelph, Jan. 22. dwif

## THE WATCH FACTORY AT WALTHAM, MASS.

Every sixth minute in the working day a fine watch is made.

Every sixth minute in the working day a fine watch is made. Yet, at this enormous rate of manufacture, the Company can barely supply the demand. They have already produced about

HALF A MILLION OF WATCHES.

Most of which are now in the pockets of the people, testifying to their superior merits as time-keepers. They are now almost exclusively used on

ALL THE LEADING RAILWAYS.

Where they are found to run with perfect accuracy, in spite of the constant jar, which so much affects ordinary watches.

SHIP CAPTAINS

and other officers, who are frequently absent on long voyages, prefer THE AMERICAN WATCH to any other, as they are not perceptibly affected by change of climate, and do not require frequent regulating. The story of the twenty-five dollar "Elihu" watch that was carried five years by a soldier in the Army of the Potomac, and that varied ONE MINUTE AND A HALF IN THAT TIME, WITHOUT CARE OR CLEANING, could hardly be told of any other watch of the price that ever was made.

TO LUMBERMEN

These watches are of great value, not being liable to stop or get out of repair during their months of absence in the woods. They are admirably ADAPTED FOR PRESENTATION

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ROBBINS & APPLETON, General Agents, New York.

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## GUTHMAN'S CELEBRATED Hoop Skirts

In all the Latest and most Approved Styles.

Including the

## New PANNIER Skirt

Which is a general favorite.

THIS IS BEYOND ALL COMPARISON

## THE CHEAPEST LOT OF SKIRTS EVER SHOWN

IN GUELPH.

The attention of every lady is requested.

Guelph, Jan. 17.

## A. O. BUCHANAN

## CASTLE GARDEN SALOON.

Market Square, GUELPH.

THE subscriber begs to inform the public that he has leased the above premises for a term of years, and has resitted it in a very superior and substantial manner, and hopes to share a portion of the patronage of the public.

## THE BAR

Wines, Liquors & Cigars

And the table with all the delicacies of the season. In fact no expense will be spared to make a first-class establishment.

## LUNCHEON!

Every day from 1 to 3 o'clock

## OYSTERS AND GAME,

Etc. Dinner and Supper parties provided on short notice at reasonable charges.

JOHN MILLER, Proprietor.

Late of the Commercial Hotel, Whitby

## TO MACHINISTS.

STEEL Squares, Steel Rules, Centre Gauges, Vernier Callipers, Steel Callipers, Slipper Squares, Ames' Universal Squares, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th.

General Hardware Merchants—114 Yonge Street, Toronto, 1st April, 1868.

## Cabinetmakers & Upholsterers.

HARRINGTON, Carl, 14th, Tow. Sofa Springs, Chairs, Bedsteads, Mattresses, Springs, Ranges, Locks, Keys, First Paper, Oil, Piano-Stools, Sewing Machines, Upholsterers' Needles and Regulators, Adams' Carvers' Tools, Extension Lip, Silver-Bits, Melburn Hardware, &c. For sale at lowest prices.

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## NEW MUSIC BOOK.

"THE WREATH OF GEMS," a Collection of the most Popular Songs, Ballads and Duets of the day, with Accompaniment for the Piano-forte, Organ, &c. Cloth, full gilt, \$4.00. Sent post-paid on receipt of price. O. DITSON & Co., Publishers, 277 Washington Street, Boston, & C. H. DITSON & Co., 711 Broadway, New York.

## Evening Mercury.

WEDNESDAY EVE'G, JAN. 27, 1869.

## Mount Forest Correspondence.

From our own Correspondent.

A drunken character named Bruce made a serious attempt on the 25th inst. to introduce the guillotine on a small scale. He deliberately fixed his spouse's neck and heels, and laid her head on the door step preparatory to decapitation with the axe. Her cries brought a rescue party to the shanty, who, at once, on discovering the apparent intentions of the whiskey demented rascal, knocked him down, secured him, and brought him before the Reeve, who sent him down to the County Gaol for one month. It is to be hoped that he will return a wiser and better man.

It is currently reported that Grey, who recently levanted from Durham, was shot in that celebrated rendezvous of rascals, Chicago. If such be true, certainly the ways of the transgressor are hard. It is further stated by report that the defaulter Grey blackmailed every man he could get a sixpence from, and commenced his retreat to the land of the free with the nice little sum of \$7000 in his wallet. The frequency of those individual exploits, which so seriously affect the solvency of many respectable parties, calls for the immediate interference of our Legislature. If they can spare time from the patchwork business on hand, viz: the License and Assessment Laws, why not compel all travellers who desire to cross the Rubicon to procure the certificates of travellers, signed by the mayor, Reeve, or other constituted authority of the municipality from which they hail, setting forth that the travellers are on legitimate business and that they are honest men, and that they do not carry on their persons the money or goods of their neighbors. Why not scrutinize the character of travellers, as well as their baggage, trunks or pockets. Let a general search be made for contraband moneys, as well as goods, subject to state duty. If a system of close inspection were adopted and scrupulously exercised upon all persons crossing the lines, it would, no doubt, prove salutary and diminish the class of whom it is painful for us to say they once passed for honest men amongst us. I cannot dismiss the subject without coming to the conclusion that the interests of the whole community, collectively and individually, would be sufficiently protected if a similar system were adopted like that of the Customs Department, or by an honest man would feel aggrieved if courteously asked to show his passport.

The weather, so far, this winter has fully sustained the theory of the editor of poor Robin's Almanac, viz: long foul, long fare. In consequence of the fine weather trade is doing, nevertheless the streets are covered with all kinds of farm produce. The highest prices are paid, the competition being sharp.

## REFORMER.

Mount Forest, Jan. 25th, 1869.

## Township of Guelph Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

(ADVERTISEMENT.)

To the Editor of the Mercury.

SIR,—In your weekly issue of the 21st inst., a (dateless) communication appears from Mr. Whitlaw, reviewing my letter of the 12th inst., which he does with one, two, three, and a hop. Without being able to refute one of my statements, he scolds me over then off at a tangent to the Red River settlement. Mr. Whitlaw confutes himself so well that it is not necessary for me to say much—I will only notice a few points.

Mr. Whitlaw says that Mr Hood makes out two cases in which the amount insured is over \$2,000 in one risk by two members of the Board. But Mr. Hood knows there are other cases of over insurance, for example, Mr. A. Hogge on barn \$2,300, Mr. John Shortreed on do. \$2,200, Mr. Jas. G. Wright on do. \$2,100. These with the other two before mentioned amount to \$1,060, of over-insurance. Mr. Whitlaw again says, Mr Hood is wrong in supposing me willing to admit that they were entitled to more than \$2,000. In that case the loser would be the sufferer, and not the other members of the Company, he having paid his share of expenses and losses on a greater amount of property than he was entitled to recover.

Mr. Whitlaw uses the word "fraud" frequently in his letter. I did not use it before but will do so now. If property is overinsured a fraud must be practiced either on the Company or on individual members of it, by having them pay more than their share of expenses and losses.

Mr. Whitlaw says the parties who insured over the Companies took the usual way by notifying the Board of Directors. If they did so Mr. Whitlaw must have considered that the Board was centred in himself, for the Directors received no communication whatever at any of their meetings. If Mr. Whitlaw had been deeper versed in legal lore, and practiced fewer quibbles, it would have been more to the advantage of the Company and not given sharper (like your humble servant) a chance to kick over the traces. I wonder Mr. Editor when the President and Board of Directors start their managerie who will play the monkey.

Thanking you for the space you have allowed me in your valuable paper, I remain, yours truly,

THOMAS HOOD.

Guelph Township, Jan. 26th 1869.

## GRAND CONCERT AT MORRISTON.—

A concert will be held in the Town Hall, Morrison, on Thursday evening, 4th February, the proceeds of which will be expended in seating and repairing the Hall. Several local and other amateur singers have kindly promised to give their services, and it is expected the entertainment will be a very popular and attractive one. Tickets, 25 cents. Concert to commence at 8 o'clock. We trust it will be well patronized by the people of Pusluch.

## FIRE IN NASSAGAWEYA.—

On Wednesday, the 20th inst., a fire broke out about 11 o'clock in the forenoon, in the dwelling house of Mr. John Cottrell, first concession, Nassagaweya. The entire building and part of its contents were consumed. A defect in the stovepipe was the cause of the fire. No insurance.

## SEED WHEAT FAIR.—

The North River Agricultural Society will hold a spring seed wheat fair at Harriston on the 3rd of March.

## Wellington Battalion Dinner.

The officers of the Wellington Battalion gave their third annual dinner to the County Council last Tuesday night. In addition to the members of the County Council were the members of the Town Council, and several prominent citizens, making altogether a company of about eighty. Mr. Miller presided at the dinner, which was excellent. The Battalion Band, under the leadership of Mr. Vale, was stationed on the platform, and played a number of pieces during the evening in such a manner as to elicit the heartiest applause.

Lieut.-Col. Higginbotham occupied the chair. On his right were the Warden of the County, John Mair, Esq., P. Gow, Esq., M.P.P., and the Rev. W. S. Ball, Chaplain to the Battalion; on his left, D. Stron, Esq., M.P., and B. Martin, Esq., M.P.P. Dr. Herod, Surgeon to the Battalion, and Dr. Tuck, Assistant Surgeon, discharged the duties of vice chairmen. Nearly all the officers of the Battalion were present in uniform.

After the edibles had been disposed of, the Chairman said that he would propose a toast which Britons always delighted to honor; he therefore gave "The Queen," which was drunk with great enthusiasm—the Band playing "God Save the Queen." The toasts of "The Prince and Princess of Wales, and the other members of the Royal Family," "The Governor General," "The Lieutenant Governor of Ontario," and "The Army and Navy of Great Britain," were next given, and duly honored. Col. Hewat returned thanks for the last toast, and in response to the unanimous request of the company for a song, gave "Tulloch-gorum."

"The Dominion Parliament, and the Legislative Assembly," was next on the programme, and was given by the vice-chairman, P. R. Herod.

Mr. Stron, in response, said that as an humble member of the Dominion Parliament, he thanked them for the honor they had done him in proposing the toast, and the hearty manner in which it had been received. He could say that he was with the officers of the Battalion in everything they did for the benefit of volunteers, to whom the Dominion Parliament had not done justice. He bowed, as a loyal subject, to the decision of the majority, but as Britons, it was the duty of all to criticize the enactments of the measure, and if possible to have them altered and improved. Neither from this Government nor the one preceding it had the volunteer system received that encouragement to which it was entitled.—He had already done whatever lay in his power to assist the 30th Battalion and the Band. The officers had been to a great expense in getting up the fine Band, whose music contributed so much to the pleasure of the present gathering. In this work they had been assisted by grants from the County Council, and other sources. In reference to the provisions of the new militia law, he would just mention that it calls for an active force of 40,000; and with a population of 60,000, Wellington must furnish 600 volunteers. This has been done without any draft, and shows the patriotic feelings with which the volunteers were animated. Let these "snuffed out," as it were, and we would have 600 men taken from the fields of industry to serve as active militia—even the Reeve and Deputy Reeve present might be forced into the ranks, and taken away from their occupations, at least eight days in the year. Substitutes could not be depended upon, and would cost at least \$30, so that the volunteers were the means of many a man in this county saving annually this sum. If the volunteers withdrew, the consequence would be that every able-bodied man between the ages of eighteen and forty-five would be liable to the draft, but as it is, a sufficient number have volunteered their services, who were worth twice the number of those who had to be literally driven into the service. It was more in harmony with the feelings of the people that the volunteer system should be in vogue. The speaker concluded by saying that his only son—at present a cripple—belonged to the volunteers and had faithfully performed his duties in that respect, which to him (Mr. Stron) was a great source of pride; and whenever the country wanted defenders, his son would, he was sure, be found in the front ranks of the volunteers.

Mr. Gow, being called upon, remarked that he was pleased to attend this annual dinner given by the officers of the 30th Battalion, where Whigs and Tories could all meet together and agree. He was indebted to them for the toast of the House of Assembly, and in regard to that body he would say that after an experience of two sessions, he was more pleased than ever with Confederation, because now we had full control of local affairs. Not having an upper house to check the lower, there was perhaps a danger that measures might be pushed through too hastily—but this he trusted would be avoided. Several of the laws just passed by the Ontario Legislature were a credit to the members. The new election law for instance would lessen bribery, and cause much less expense to candidates for Parliamentary honors. There were also some good features in the new assessment act—one of which was that no man receiving \$400 or under of income shall be taxed. The House which he represented had nothing to do with the volunteers, but in order to show the sympathy which was entertained for them, he would just point to the fact that under the assessment act he was pleased to see that the speaker further stated that he did not regard the present Militia Bill as a good one. It was framed by the Minister of Militia, who was a Frenchman, and was designed more particularly to meet the exigencies of the case in Lower Canada. It was no duty to receive humbly what we get, but at the same time we should petition Parliament and show them the grievances complained of, so that the law may be amended. The 13th Battalion, however, did not exhibit one man who was on account of the obnoxious features in the law, and for this they were worthy of great praise—and he knew that if called upon to meet the foe, they would do so with the same willingness as they had manifested on a former occasion, when their roll was invaded.

Mr. McKim also returned thanks for the toast, and said that his heart was with the volunteers in everything they did. He was pleased to see such a military spirit displayed by the members of the 13th, and to witness the high state of proficiency to which their band had attained.

Mr. Gow, in answer to repeated calls for a song, read a capital poem from the

## pen of the editor of the Guelph Herald, entitled "The Volunteers of Canada," and afterwards sang "In the days when we went gipsying."

Er. Tuck, second vice-chairman, gave as a toast, "The guests, the Warden and County Council."

Mr. Mair, Warden, returned thanks, saying that he spoke the sentiments of every member of the Council, when he said that they all felt proud of the 13th and their splendid band, and would do all in their power to assist them.

Mr. Cross, of Peel, also returned thanks for the toast; and Mr. McInnes, Reeve of Fergus, sang "God defend the right."

The "Corporation of Guelph," coupled with the names of the Mayor and Mr. John A. Wood, was next given.

Dr. Herod, in response, said that he considered Guelph occupied a proud position both as regards its commercial prosperity and the fine agricultural country which surrounds it. "Wherever you go—New York or elsewhere—the best mutton, beef, etc., came from the vicinity of Guelph—and for this we have to thank the people in the country. As far as Guelph was concerned, her interests were reciprocal with the townships, and she had always done her duty in the matter of securing a market here for the farmers second to none. The building of the Galt and Guelph road had done much good to both town and county, and he looked upon the Wellington, Grey and Bruce railroad as a settled fact. The people of Guelph were unable, on account of the large debt which they labored under, to give material support to this undertaking, but they would, nevertheless, do what they could in aid of anything which would enhance the prosperity of the county, and would not part "adog in the manger" course of action.

Mr. Wood followed in a few remarks, and Mr. A. Robinson sang "The Land of Cakes."

"The Legal Profession" was responded to by Mr. D. Guthrie in a witty speech.

"The Clergy," coupled with the name of the Rev. W. S. Ball, who, in responding, said that he could not adequately express the feelings that filled his mind at the very kind manner in which the toast had been received. He would have preferred the toast of "the clergy" to have been drunk in cold water, for he was sure that the members of that body would appreciate it all the more. Some thought that he had stepped out of his place when he connected himself with the volunteers, and he was made to suffer through false misrepresentations, but he felt that he was not the feelings of the officers, non-commissioned officers and privates of the 13th Batt. all of whom had invariably treated him with consideration and respect whenever he had come in contact with them. No class should be more patriotic than the clergy; and he yielded to none in his attachment to the land of his birth and the person of our Gracious Sovereign. He hoped every clergyman would feel himself bound to see after the welfare of the volunteers, for there was no class of men they were more bound to attend to. He had it in contemplation to prepare a special hymnbook for the volunteers having a selection of hymns which were not the feelings of the officers, non-commissioned officers and privates of the 13th Batt. all of whom had invariably treated him with consideration and respect whenever he had come in contact with them. No class should be more patriotic than the clergy; and he yielded to none in his attachment to the land of his birth and the person of our Gracious Sovereign. He hoped every clergyman would feel himself bound to see after the welfare of the volunteers, for there was no class of men they were more bound to attend to. 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WEDNESDAY EV'NG, JAN. 27, 1869.

Prospects Brightening in the South.

We take the following from the N. Y. Tribune of Saturday:

There are 10 or 12 counties in Middle and West Tennessee where the Rebel spirit is still rampant, and in some of which Ku-Klux outrages are still committed. From Virginia and the two Carolinas, we have heard of but one collision between a white man and a negro, and that was an evidently magnified report of a resistance to civil process by a few negroes near Norfolk. From Georgia we have only the Ogeechee troubles, which were swollen out of all proportion by mutual misconceptions and a palpable effort to drive the Blacks into rebellion and subject them to extermination. From Alabama, we hear of but one recent outrage—the murder of a Union officer by Ku-Klux near Huntsville, Mississippi, is very quiet; Louisiana almost uniformly so since she heard of Grant's election. In Florida, only the Kilkenny feud among the State officers vexes the general calm. Arkansas has been seriously convulsed and agitated; and there have been wild doings by implacable Rebels on the one side and Gov. Clayton's Black militia on the other, but, in spite of the desperate efforts of the rebel journals of Memphis and Little Rock, it is plain that order has generally been restored on the basis of submission to law. Texas is so vast and so remote from the seat of government that a great many of the turbulent and implacable have taken refuge in her vast solitudes and there do with impunity deeds that would provoke repression elsewhere; but, even there, matters have greatly improved since Gen. Grant's election, and are still improving. The fair crops and good prices just realized have had a very soothing influence. Twenty-five hundred thousand bales of cotton, selling for an average of \$100 per bale, yields two hundred and fifty million of dollars to the planters; and, though several former crops were much larger in amount, we doubt that any one of them ever sold at the gin-houses for more money. Then the sugar and rice crops of 1868 are much larger than those of 1867, and are bringing good prices. Add to this that the South grows more Indian corn, and we presume more wheat also, in 1868 than in any former year, and we may fairly congratulate her on the turn in the tide of her fortune."

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LITERARY AND MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT.

Last night the readings and vocal entertainment given in connection with the Mechanics Institute was a complete success, and tended to show how fully such pleasing and instructive reunions are appreciated by all classes of people. There were probably about three hundred persons present. The programme was varied and well selected. Geo. Benson, Esq., read the first piece, 'Garibaldi' in clear voice, followed by Rev. J. McGregor, who rendered the classical selection, 'Lays of Rome,' with precision and in admirable style. Miss McGregor next favoured the audience with a song which gave general satisfaction. Her voice was quite distinct, but at times somewhat tremulous, as she is not accustomed to appear in public. The amusing 'Tale of a trumpet' was then read by Mr. W. P. Newman with correct pronunciation, but not sufficiently distinct or humorous to be appreciated by the audience in general. Miss Lapointe—a new comer to Elora—then sang 'The Maid of Athens' in a style which proved her to be a young lady of superior vocal talents, and from the applause that greeted her, promises to be quite a favourite songstress here. Next came Dr. Griffith—the author of the new Dominion Song—who rendered 'The Death of Eva' from Uncle Tom's Cabin, in a truly pathetic manner, and with such changes of tones as showed him to be a thorough elocutionist. A duet, 'Starboard Watch,' was then sung by Dr. Paget and Mr. H. Smith in their usual excellent style. Dr. Middleton gave 'Waterloo' from Byron with energy and true martial spirit, and Miss Lapointe again appeared amidst loud applause and sang 'Valley of Chamouni' in most exquisite style. Mr. Tait, school teacher, rendered the laughable tale of 'Rory O' More's present to the Priest' and Mr. Henry Smith in a rich and well cultivated voice gave 'Pat Milloy.' Mrs. J. M. Ross played several pieces during the evening, and was greatly applauded. The company then sang together 'God Save the Queen' and the audience dispersed, well pleased, and also convinced that it was the most agreeable and successful entertainment given by the Institute in Elora.

Death has just called away an old and esteemed resident of Elora, in the person of Mr. Creighton.

For some days he had been a little ailing, but still able to perform his daily duties, but on Saturday night he was taken suddenly worse, and in a few hours succumbed to his painful disease—congestion of the bowels. His remains were this morning conveyed to Owen Sound, at which place his son lives. Still no snow—glass at zero and sometimes below it—all classes—farmers, merchants and mechanics—seem dispirited, as business is virtually at a stand still. Elora, Jan. 26th, 1869.

Arthur Village Good Templars.

Sir,—The B. A. O. of G. T. held their annual soiree in O'Callaghan's hall, on Wednesday, the 26th inst. The hall was well filled—about three hundred being present. The tea was excellent, and the provisions of the best quality. The soiree was in every way a success, fully sustaining the reputation which the Arthur Good Templars have in getting up such affairs. Bro. James A. Hollinger was appointed Chairman, and the meeting was addressed by the Rev. Messrs. Holmes and Johnson; and Mr. R. Stewart, Fergus, Bros. Thompson, Gourly, Hewitt, and Hollinger gave several dialogues and recitations, and were followed by Sisters Small and Moore, each of whom gave a recitation. The members of the Drayton Lodge also gave a dialogue. The Arthur choir, under the leadership of Mr. Bristol, added greatly to the evening's entertainment. Altogether the entertainment was one of the best of the kind ever held in Arthur. The proceeds go towards building a temperance hall. The volunteers have received their clothes, and present quite a soldierly appearance. Their captain, Mr. John I. Hollinger, is at present attending the Military School in Toronto. Business of all kinds is dull, owing to want of sleighing. The people of Arthur and surrounding townships are anxious for the narrow gauge. A

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AMARANTH.

Lot 22, in the 10th Concession, 200 acres. Lots 17, 18 and 19, 8th Con., 600 acres.

ARTHUR. South-half of Lot 15, 3rd Con., 100 acres, 60 of which are in a high state of cultivation, and well fenced, watered by a creek crossing the centre of the farm; a two story house and good barn on the lot.

ERAMOSA. Part of West-half of 2, in the 3rd Con., four acres with a good stone house and log stable.

Lot No. 22, in 1st Con., of which 130 acres are under the plough; good buildings and an orchard; well watered.

Part of 5, in 1st Con., 99 acres, 70 cleared, good building East half 9, in 4th Con., 160 acres, 40 cleared.

ERIN. West-half of Lot 8, in the 1st Con., 100 acres, 80 cleared, good frame barn and shed, and part log and frame dwelling house; well watered and fenced.

East-half of Lot 32, 5th Con., 100 acres, 75 are cleared; new frame house and barn; spring creek.

West-half of Lot 32, 8th Con., 100 acres, 75 are cleared; 25 excellent bush.

ELORA.

Valuable Tavern Stand for sale in the Village of Elora, at present leased to Robert Cook being lots 5 and 6, corner of Wellington and Walnut Streets, with stabling for 40 horses.

GARAFRAXA. West-half of Lot 1, in 15th Con., with 50 acres of Lot 2—a splendid farm, with good outbuildings, 100 acres of it are cleared, and adjoins another 100 acres, 85 of which are cleared, in Erin, making if desired a block of 250 acres.

Lot 11, in 13th Con., 100 acres; 60 acres cleared, all dry land; farm buildings.

GUELPH TOWNSHIP.

Lots 3 and 4, in 3rd Con., Div. D., 140 acres; 90 acres improved; frame dwelling house, and frame bank barn and sheds, well fenced. There is an excellent orchard on the farm; and being so near the Town, and on the Gravel Road, makes this a very valuable Property.

TOWN OF GUELPH.

Large stone house with verandah, stabling and garden, and of an acre of land, on Dublin Street, at present occupied by Joseph Holston, Esq.

River Lots on Queen Street, well adapted for Private residences, valuable quarries being on the lots.

Water Privilege and Mill Site, containing 13 acres, composed of the north parts of Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 and Lots 5 and 6, in Oliver's Survey, on the Waterloo Road.

Lots 4, 15, 16, 22, 23, 25, 29, 31, 33, 35, 40, 41, 49, 50, 51, in Webster's Survey, lying between Strange Street and the river Speed.

Lot 4, on the north side of Pearl Street, with a double frame house.

Lot 155, corner of Gordon and Wellington Sts. Lots 1043 and 1044, Cambridge Street, on which is erected a frame plastered dwelling house.

Four Quarry Lots, lying Nos. 21, 22, 42 and 43 on the Waterloo Road.

Two story brick house on Queen Street, with stable and sheds, at present occupied by Mr. J. P. Martin.

Park Lots in St. Andrew's Church Glebe, containing from 1/2 to 3 acres each.

Nos. 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, 36, 37, 38 and 39 fronting on the Waterloo Road, and Nos. 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 233, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40, 41, 42 and 43 in rear; lots each, in one block.

Also, lot 15, five acres, a beautiful lot, well fenced, and in a high state of cultivation.

These lots are admirably adapted for Market Gardens, and the terms of credit are extremely liberal.

Lot 188, Market Street, next to Mr. Hoffman's residence.

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North-half Lot 18, in the 4th Con. 100 acres. South-half Lot 19, 4th Con. 100 acres.

Lot 2, 7th Con. 100 acres.

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"I hope I'm no just him, John," said Ned, with a low laugh. "But hoo is a' the folk in the Strath?"

"And ony news?" "Atweel there's news. Sic a thing hasna happened in the Strath in mortal memory."

"I'm glad o' that at any rate; I'm very glad o' that," said Ned, relieving his chest by a long sigh.

"A few minutes' walk brought him to the door of the farm-house, and, with the familiarity of an old friend, he entered the kitchen."

"What's that?" she cried. "It's me, mem."

"Oh, Ned, I'm glad to see ye; Tammas and the lassies will be in belye. But come butt and see our braw bairn."

Nothing loth to accept this invitation, Ned entered the room, and found Grizzly walking to and fro with the child in her arms wrapped up in a woollen shawl.

She stepped to the window—Ned following her—and with great pride removed the folds of her shawl to exhibit her treasure.

What the unfolded shawl revealed struck Ned dumb with amazement. Instead of the large, dark-haired, dark-complexioned infant he had seen lying in Ned's bosom, he beheld a very small and beautifully fair child with no hair at all.

Little wonder that he was astonished at the sight, or that for many moments he gazed, first at the child and then at Grizzly, in silent bewilderment.

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DEMAREST'S MONTHLY FOR FEBRUARY.—This admirable parlor magazine receives large additions to its lists of subscribers, with every returning holiday season, because of its popularity as a Christmas and New Year's gift, and it undoubtedly deserves them, for it is always welcome and seasonable.

The anniversary of Knox's Church Sabbath School will be held this evening. Music, addresses, recitations, and dialogues will form part of the evening's entertainment. The public are invited to attend.

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HALL'S VEGETABLE SICILIAN HAIR-RENEWER. The basis of its remedial properties is a vegetable compound. It will restore Grey Hair to its original color. It will keep the Hair from falling out. It cleanses the scalp and makes the hair soft, supple and silky. It is a splendid hair dressing.

PERUVIAN SYRUP. A protected solution of the Protocid of Iron supplies the blood with its Life Element, Iron, giving strength, vigor and new life to the whole system.

If the thousands who are suffering from DYSPEPSIA, DEBILITY, FEMALE WEAKNESSES, &c. would but test the virtues of the Peruvian Syrup the effect would not only astonish themselves, but would please all their friends, for instead of being cross, "all gone" and miserable, they would be cheerful, vigorous and active.

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Table listing various goods and their prices, including Coloured Cobourgs and Mohairs, Thibet Cloths, Rich Fancy Dresses, French Merinoes, Coloured Winceys, Balmoral Skirtings, and Double Long Shawls.

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

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Cotton Flannels at 15c., worth 25c. All-Wool heavy Canadian Tweed, at 50c., worth 75c. All-Wool Canadian Cloth at 50c., worth 75c.

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CORDWOOD For sale by the cord, half-cord and quarter cord, and delivered in any part of the Town.

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CUNARD OCEAN STEAMERS. LEAVING New York every Thursday for Queens town or Liverpool.

FARE FROM HAMILTON First Cabin, - - - \$87, gold value. Storage - - - 20, " Berths not secured until paid for. For further particulars apply to CHARLES T. JONES & CO. Exchange Brokers, Hamilton.

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Hair, Nail & Tooth Brushes.

A Splendid Assortment of Rimmel's, Edes', & Lubin's Choice Extracts Honey, Glycerine, Almond, Rose and Brown Windsor

SOAPS Amyle-Glycerine Toilet Powder, Oriental Hair Powder, Puff Boxes, Turkey Sponges, &c. The largest, cheapest and most varied assortment ever imported into Guelph now being opened at the Medical Hall

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VALUABLE and DESIRABLE DWELLING HOUSE FOR SALE.

That eligible and commodious Stone Dwelling House and Lot containing nearly half an acre of ground, with large Stables and out-houses complete, the residence of the late Dr. Parker, situated on the corner of Market and Dublin Streets, a few doors above Higginbotham's Drug Store, and immediately opposite Messrs. Sharp's Seedstore. There is a good stable attached to the house, with good and commodious stabling. Every attention will be paid to customers in order to secure their comfort and convenience. The best of liquors and cigars always kept at the bar. Good accommodation for Boarders by the week at reasonable rates. Guelph, July 13th, 1868.

GEORGE ELLIOTT, or N. HIGGINBOTHAM, Guelph, Jan. 2, 1869.

DOMINION HOTEL, GUELPH. JOHN BUNYAN begs to inform his friends and the public that he has leased the above Hotel, in the BRICK HOUSE, MACDONNELL-ST., a few doors above Higginbotham's Drug Store, and immediately opposite Messrs. Sharp's Seedstore. There is a good stable attached to the house, with good and commodious stabling. Every attention will be paid to customers in order to secure their comfort and convenience. The best of liquors and cigars always kept at the bar. Good accommodation for Boarders by the week at reasonable rates. Guelph, July 13th, 1868.

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Guelph, January 16, 1869.

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ENTIRE STOCK OF DRY GOODS TO BE SOLD OUT.

WM. STEWART,

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In order to facilitate the entire clearance of Stock, he will on WEDNESDAY, 6th JANUARY, commence the GREAT SALE, when Goods will be offered at Cost, and in many cases under. The public should take advantage of this rare opportunity of securing first-class Goods at the Lowest Prices ever offered in Guelph. The reputation of the Stock being so well known for extra quality, and being composed of New and Fashionable Goods, all may rely on extraordinary Bargains.

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N. B.—This is no clap-trap sale, as the subscriber is positively retiring.

WILLIAM STEWART.

Wyndham Street, Guelph } Dec. 30th, 1868. dw

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