

Guelph Mercury

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GUELPH ONT., CANADA, SATURDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 20, 1869.

PRICE ONE PENNY

HAMILTON DYE WORKS,

Two doors from the Royal Hotel. Established 1856.

Silks, Satins, Merinos, Damasks, Moreen Table Covers, &c., &c., dyed and finished. British and Foreign Shawls cleaned and pressed, Kid Gloves cleaned, Feathers cleaned, dyed and curled.

JAMES CONNER, Hamilton.

Orders left at J. HUNTER'S Berlin Wool and Fancy Goods Store, Wyndham-st., will receive prompt attention. For price list and further information apply to

J. HUNTER, Guelph, 8th Feb. dw Agent for Guelph

NEW AUCTION ROOMS.

GEO. LESLIE,

Auctioneer and Commission Merchant.

No. 3 Day's Block, Guelph, (Next door to Carroll's Grocery Store).

Every attention paid to Sales of Merchandise, Household Furniture and Farm Stock.

Prompt and careful returns made of all sales.

References:—Jas. Massey, Esq., Guelph; Messrs. C. & J. Symon, Auctioneers, Guelph; Messrs. Barclay & Co., Guelph; Messrs. R. Leslie, Esq., Bank of B. N. A., London; David Arnott, Esq., Toronto.

GREAT WESTERN HOTEL.

JOHN HEWER, Proprietor.

The subscriber having lately leased the above Hotel, would respectfully inform his friends and the travelling public generally that he has thoroughly renovated and furnished the premises throughout, and is also making other improvements which will render its accommodation for guests second to none in town. The table will always be supplied with the choicest of the market, and the bar with pure liquors and the best brands of cigars. Nothing will be left undone to ensure the comfort of all who may favor him with their patronage. Extensive stabling attached, capable of accommodating 200 horses. An attentive hostler always in attendance. Stages to all parts of the country call at this hotel daily.

Guelph, 9th February. dw

Undertakers!

MITCHELL & TOVELL

Having bought out Mr. Nathan Tovell's business, 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. Guthrie's Law Office, Douglas Street, Guelph.

JOHN MITCHELL, NATHAN TOVELL, Jr. Guelph, December 1 dw

R. J. JEANNERET,

FROM ENGLAND.

Established in London, Ont. 1842 and in Guelph 1862.

WORKING WATCHMAKER

AND JEWELER

DAY'S BLOCK,

Opposite the Mark Guelph.

Just received a choice variety of Cheap Goods suitable for Christmas and New Year's gifts. Particular attention paid to repairing of Watches, Clocks and Jewellery.

Guelph, December 17th. dw

INSOLVENT ACT of 1864

ISAAC BUCHANAN, PETER T BUCHANAN and ANDREW BINNEY,

PLAINTIFFS.

R. H. HUDGIN,

DEFENDANT.

A WRIT OF ATTACHMENT is issued in this case. GEO. J. GRANGE, Sheriff, Co. Wellington Guelph, Feb. 12, 1869. dw

THE OLD ESTABLISHED SADDLERY SHOP.

The subscriber in returning thanks to the public for the patronage bestowed on the late firm of Galbraith & Beattie, would beg to say that he is continuing to carry on the business in all its branches at the old stand, West Market Square, Guelph, and hopes by strict attention to business, and moderate charges, to merit a share of public support. As he intends using only the best of stock, and employing none but first-class workmen, the public may depend on getting a good article. He will always keep on hand, and make to order, the newest and best styles of

Harness, Saddles, Bridles, Martingales,

And a large assortment of Trunks, Valises, WHIPS, HORSE BLANKETS,

CURRY COMBS, MANE COMBS, CARDS, SPURS, WHIP Lashes—all kinds

OIL AND VARNISH

For cleaning Harness, and all other articles connected with his business.

A liberal discount made for cash. All kinds of repairing done with neatness and dispatch.

GEORGE DEATIE, West Market Square January 19. dw

INSOLVENT ACT of 1864 & 1865

In the matter of George Leslie, late of the village of Acton, an insolvent.

The creditors of the insolvent are notified to meet at my office, No. 2 Front Street, Toronto, on the 17th day of February instant, at one o'clock p.m., for the public examination of the insolvent, and the ordering of his estate generally. And the said insolvent is hereby notified to attend the said meeting.

Dated at Toronto this second day of February, 1869. 1214 THOMAS CLARSON, Off. Assignee

SITUATION WANTED.

Wanted by a young man a situation as Book-keeper in any business place in town or country. Would be willing to take charge of a commission business, and make himself generally useful in any capacity. Good references. Apply at the Mercury Office, Guelph.

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INSOLVENT ACT of 1864 & 1865.

In the matter of GEORGE LESLIE, late of the Village of Acton, An Insolvent.

A Dividend Sheet has been prepared, subject to objection, until the fourth day of March next.

THOMAS CLARSON, Official Assignee.

Toronto, 11th Feb. dw

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The subscriber in returning thanks for the liberal patronage bestowed on him in former years, begs to announce that he has erected a NEW OPERATING ROOM at considerable expense, introducing all the improvements of the day, as well as

New RUSTIC Accessories.

He is prepared to execute Photographs and Portraits of all kinds.

From the Locket to Life Size

Equal, as regards finish and life-like appearance, to any that can be obtained in the Dominion.—Copying of PORTRAITS in all its branches as usual, done in a satisfactory manner.

In Large Photographs with Frames he intends offering Special Inducements during the coming Holidays.

Parties requiring a large sized Photograph with handsome frame, or any other Portrait of themselves or friends, will find it to their advantage to call and examine specimens and prices.

Rooms:—Directly over John A. Wood's Grocery Store, Wyndham-St.

WILLIAM BURGESS, Guelph December 12. dw

JUST IN.

GUTHRIE'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.

A. O. BUCHANAN,

Guelph, Jan. 17. dw

1869. Wholesale. 1869.

Wellington Boot & Shoe Manufactory

WYNDHAM-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 Journey-men to work on Ladies' Kid, Goat, Prunella and Canvas Gaiters, in connection with the McKay Sewing Machine.

LEATHER WANTED.

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, Pergus and Innes.

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EXTRA DARK HINK ROYAL EMBINE SIBERIAN SQUIRREL RIVER HINK LADIES' HOODS

And a full assortment of CHILDREN'S FURS, GENTS' MITTENS and GLOVES, SLEIGH ROBES, &c.

The highest price paid for Raw Furs.

F. CARLAND, Market Square, Guelph, 2d Nov. dw

SAP BUCKETS.

1,000 Dozen SAP BUCKETS,

At JOHN A. WOOD'S.

Guelph, Feb. 16. dw

BILLARD HALL

Adjoining Coulson's Hotel,

GUELPH, ONT.

Four New Phelan Standard American tables.

W. O'CONNOR, Proprietor. do

Guelph, June 24. do

Evening Mercury.

SATURDAY EV'NG, FEB. 20, 1869.

NOTICES OF THE PRESS.

The Guelph Mercury establishment has at length arrived at the dignity of steam printing. The presser, now driven by a steam engine. This looks like progress of a substantial kind.

—Galt Reporter.

THE GUELPH MERCURY—daily and weekly—is now printed on a steam press. We are glad to note this enterprise of its proprietors, and the prosperity attending their labors. Go on and increase, say we—Neomarket Era.

THE GUELPH MERCURY seems determined, not merely to sustain its high rank as a local paper, but is resolved to surpass its former efforts, and keep up with the progress of the age, by substituting steam for hand power. —Milton Champion.

The Guelph Mercury is now printed on a steam press, and the paper generally shows proof of the energy of its proprietors. It is one of the best of the country dailies, and we are glad to learn that its business is so steadily increasing as to render such outlay necessary. —Globe.

THE GUELPH MERCURY.—Our enterprising contemporary, the Guelph Mercury, is now printed by steam. The proprietors state that the business of their office has increased to such an extent as to render this improvement a necessity. We trust they may long be able to say the same. The Mercury is a well conducted sheet, and deserves the patronage it receives. —Galt Reporter.

We congratulate our friends of the Guelph Mercury on the success which has attended their efforts in the publishing of their daily paper. Their increased circulation and business has necessitated their procuring the aid of steam. The paper has always been one of the best conducted in the Dominion, and we are not surprised at their success. —Thorold Patriot.

The Guelph Mercury announces the arrival of a new era in its existence—the time having come with it when it is compelled to use steam as a motive power.—When the present proprietors took charge, the circulation was 318; but they anticipate that before the present winter is over it will reach 4,000 copies. The Mercury has well earned the enviable position to which it has attained.—Stratford Beacon.

GUELPH MERCURY.—The publishers of the Guelph Mercury announce that, owing to the pressure of business and their daily increasing circulation, they have been forced to secure the powerful aid of steam to drive their presses. The proprietors, Messrs. McLagan & Innes, publish a live newspaper, and will merit the support of the public. We are glad to hear of their success; may they continue to prosper. —Berlin Telegraph.

STEAM PRINTING PRESS FOR GUELPH.—The proprietors of the Mercury announce that they are about getting a steam engine to drive their printing presses. The large circulation of the paper and great increase in job work obliges them to make this investment. We are always pleased to hear of the prosperity of our brethren of the press. The Mercury is a first rate paper for news, but a little too Gritty in politics. —Egmont Times.

The Guelph Mercury announced in its evening edition the arrival of their new steam engine. This is the first steam engine used in a printing office in Guelph, and is another proof of the energy and enterprise which characterizes the proprietors of the Mercury. The weekly edition of that journal has increased its circulation from 318 subscribers in 1862, to nearly 4,000 in 1869, a very rapid increase indeed for a country paper. —Elmira Maple Leaf.

THE GUELPH MERCURY.—The enterprising publishers of the Guelph Mercury have lately purchased a steam engine to drive their printing presses. It is surprising what industry and energy, combined with a certain amount of tact, will do to build up a business. Some years ago the Mercury was a losing speculation, but ever since it has entered into the hands of Messrs. McLagan & Innes, it has made steady progress, till now it stands unrivalled by any office in Canada outside of the cities. —Waterloo Chronicle.

THE GUELPH MERCURY.—We are pleased to learn that the energy which has so far distinguished the conduct of this sprightly little daily has at last culminated in the addition to the establishment of steam power. The Mercury office is one of the best conducted and efficient in the country; and now that its enterprising proprietors are able to despatch its largely increased business by the aid of steam, we feel sure that the prosperity of the past will only serve as a slight anticipation of future success. We wish for our country continued and increasing satisfaction with the result of their energy and pluck. —Cobourg World.

THE GUELPH MERCURY.—There are few Canadian newspapers which have made greater, or more deserved progress than the Guelph Mercury, and it gives us pleasure to record the fact that its utility has been so well acknowledged by the public, as to warrant its proprietors in driving their presses by steam.—Their business has grown steadily and healthily, just because they were up to the requirements of a good newspaper.—Long may they and the Mercury flourish. Sure we are that if McLagan & Innes never keep to the fore, the Mercury will never make zero, and it will assuredly never run up to the boiling over point.—Egmont Express.

A ruffian who recently committed a rape on a young Jersey woman, was brought up in New York on Tuesday, before Recorder Hackett, who said that his crime demanded a sentence of twenty years' imprisonment, but as the poor creature whom he had violated requested that the criminal might be compelled to marry her, the Recorder permitted him to go free on fulfilling that condition. The Recorder then married them on the spot, and told the fellow that if he didn't treat the girl well, the sentence of twenty years would yet be inflicted.

The young ladies down east complain that the gentlemen are so poor that they can't pay their addresses.

LOCAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

The Emperor Francis Joseph has reinstated some of Kossuth's Generals in the Austro-Hungarian army.

The Boston Traveller laments the spread of infidelity in the large towns and cities of Massachusetts.

Eight of the British iron-clads—only three of which are completely covered with iron—cost \$15,311,565—an average of \$1,913,945 each.

The Pittsburgh Dispatch says that when the railroad is completed "the Pacific Ocean will become virtually an American lake."

CHALMERS' CHURCH.—The Rev. Mr. Inglis, of Toronto, will preach in the Court House, to-morrow, forenoon and evening. Service at 11 o'clock, a.m., and at half-past 6 p.m.

VAMOOSE.—Mr. Timothy Modeland has left Elora, and it is said, gone to the United States. He omitted to bid farewell to a number of people. The editor of the Times will mourn his absence to the tune of some ten or twelve dollars.

Past week, says the Reporter, a speculator from Guelph took away from Kincardine a drove of about one hundred young hogs, which he had purchased in the neighborhood, and for which he paid an average price of \$3 per hundred live weight.

Sir Thomas More, for a long time, having only daughters, his wife prayed earnestly that she might have a boy; at last they had a boy, when he grew up proved but simple. "Thou pray'dst so long for a boy," said Sir Thomas to his wife, "that at last thou hast got one who will be a boy as long as he lives."

THE BALLOT.—The County Council of Peterboro', one of the most conservative municipal corporations in Ontario, has adopted the ballot in the election of its Warden. Open voting created acrimonious feelings in the Council, and also interfered with the independence of members, and ballot has been resorted to as a remedy.

BOARD OF AGRICULTURE.—The newly elected Board of Agriculture, or more properly, Council of the Agricultural Association (the Board having been altered by the late Act) will hold its first meeting for organization in Toronto on Wednesday next. The business to be transacted is considerable and will, it is expected, necessitate a session of two or three days' duration.

The Mayor of New York, Mr. A. Oakley Hall, is bidding high for the Fenian vote. At a public meeting a few nights since he indignantly asked, "Shall the American nation maintain the supremacy of its citizens against the injustice and audacious domination of England?" Mr. Hall is a son of an Englishman, although born in New York. He understands how to pander to the popular clamor.

The steamers City of Paris and Russia left New York on the 10th for a race across the Atlantic. The matter was kept quiet, and it did not leak out until just before they started that there was going to be a trial of speed. A despatch from Queenstown states that the City of Paris arrived there at five o'clock yesterday morning, and the Russia an hour and a half later, showing that the contest was a close one. The trip was made from port to port in less than nine days.

FIRE IN NORVAL.—On the morning of the 10th inst., the large frame house owned and occupied by Mr. James R. Switzer, of Norval, was destroyed by fire. It is supposed the fire originated in some boxes, which were kept in a barrel in the shed. The furniture was partly saved, but, as is usually the case, was badly injured while being removed. We understand that the inhabitants of Norval and vicinity have kindly offered to rebuild the house, but Mr. Switzer declines to accept the generous offer.

ANOTHER OLD SETTLER GONE.—Death is making sad havoc at present among both old and young in our community. Our obituary yesterday contained the notice of the death of Mrs. Hefferman, wife of the late Thomas Hefferman, Esq., for many years well and widely known as a leading merchant in Guelph. Mrs. Hefferman was in poor health for some time, but was only a few days before her death that her complaint assumed a fatal character. She leaves a numerous circle of relatives and friends to lament her demise.

A DOLEFUL PICTURE.—The parliamentary correspondent of the Nouveau Monde gives a very bad picture of the morals and manners in Quebec, from which we extract the following:—"In Quebec, the houses of prostitution are numberless, and the streets are encumbered with their inhabitants. From three o'clock in the afternoon until late at night a shameless crowd of idle, peaceful and honest people. At street corners noisy loafers insult respectable females who cannot go out alone at the approach of night. There are associations of bullies collected from the lowest ranks of society always ready to give their services to any body who will pay them most. Candidates at elections hire these gangs, which control public meetings, intimidate the citizens, and cause riots. Everybody who has heard of the innumerable robberies, murders, and assaults committed every year in this city; and it is notorious that the police are inefficient, too timid, or are the accomplices of these cut-throats."

STARVATION IN ENGLAND.—On January 23rd, an inquiry was held at the Folio House Tavern, Cubitt Town, Isle of Dogs, by Mr. Humphreys, respecting the death from alleged starvation of Catherine Spence, aged 34 years, and her male child which expired on Thursday week. Upon the jury going to view the bodies of the deceased, they found them lying upon the floor in a top back room, the bed in which the deceased woman and child had died was composed of rags, and there were no bed clothes upon it. A small box placed upon a broken chair, had served as a table. Upon it lay a tract, entitled "The Goodness of God." The deceased, they found them lying upon the floor in a top back room, the bed in which the deceased woman and child had died was composed of rags, and there were no bed clothes upon it. A small box placed upon a broken chair, had served as a table. Upon it lay a tract, entitled "The Goodness of God." 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OFFICE.....MACDONNELL STREET

SATURDAY EV'NG, FEB. 20, 1869.

CIRCULATION OF THE MERCURY.

The circulation of the Daily and Weekly MERCURY is MORE THAN DOUBLE that of any paper published in Guelph or west of Toronto. Both editions circulate largely among the merchants and business men in Wellington, Waterloo, Perth, Grey, and Bruce. As an advertising medium for the section of country embraced in these Counties it is unequalled by any paper published outside of Toronto. Rates for advertising, moderate, and discount allowed on advertisements inserted for a lengthened period.

"The Girl of the Period."

The attention of moralists has been arrested by the rapid strides made by fashionable folly in the social and family circles. In England, the *Saturday Review* and *Pall Mall Gazette* have both had a series of articles on "The Girl of the Period," "The Woman of the Period," and kindred topics; while in America *Putnam's Magazine* and other periodicals attack without restraint the vices and follies of the present day. There has been too much sham modesty in the discussion of the most notorious existing blots on the advancement and enlightenment of the 19th century; and some of the most eminent men in the States have at length felt called upon to denounce, through the press and on the platform, and even in the pulpit, the extravagances which a wrong education and the goddess of fashion impose on their victims.

In one respect, at all events, the women of America are in advance of their English sisters, and that is in their clamor for what such brazen-faced specimens of womanhood as Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Lucy Stone, and old humbugs like Parker Pillsbury denominate "Women's Rights." This movement is giving signs of vitality in England, also, but there it is of such infinitesimal importance that, until John Stuart Mill gave it his support, it was scarcely heard of, and will probably die out for want of common sense on the part of its agitators. It is in the States that the "Women's Rights" crusade is in full vigor, and gathering such proportions as to elicit a great share of public attention. Mrs. Stanton and occupy to a certain extent man's her admirers want to have votes and to sphere. We have not yet seen, however, that they are anxious to "take man's place in the ranks of the army, or to serve as sailors, constables or jurymen; yet if they want to have votes, they must take with them all the obligations which the franchise imposes on those who participate in its privileges. Among the dogmas set forth by some of these "Women's Rights" advocates are spiritualism, free love and other equally repulsive ideas to people of sense. Housekeeping and other feminine occupations are cast aside, and the American "girl of the period" is a slave to the notions imposed upon her by such impostors as Mrs. Stanton and the growing indelicacies of fashion. Let us see what a lady—one of America's leading authors—writing in a recent number of *Putnam's Magazine*, says on this point:

"The most salient and apparent change in women, in the last few years (I do not say the deepest), is not advance in intelligence, marked as that may be: it is the growth in impurity. It is simply a transient effect of this roused and ungratified brain power. The ordinary London or New York woman is too far advanced in the 'progress of the age' to find employment for her awakened imagination or reason in housekeeping or in gossip; too little to turn to art or science or even downright hard business. In her defence, then, she listens to lascivious music, or looks at the living pictures of the ballet, where her passions at least are daintily played upon.

It is no wonder then, that, night after night, Nelly herself may be seen, with back and bosom half-bared, whirling and gyrating in Dick French's arms, while her mother looks placidly on. If I hint my disgust, I am told severely that the pure all things are pure, and that the obscene play and the waltz that sets Dick French's blood on fire, if looked on aesthetically, are to woman, refined and innocent pleasures.

I use coarse language. The times are coarse. The state of society which can make a Swinburne possible, can bear a few plain words without detriment to its modesty. It is true that the evil is as yet confined to our large cities. God forbid that the fashionable fast girls of New York or Chicago should be received as the typical woman of America. She bears the same proportion to the woman of the States that the feverish outbreak on the face does to the whole healthy, sweet-blooded body. But this society assumes to stand foremost in refinement and culture and cannot object to have its claims tested. Besides, the feverish taint will spread."

The women politicians who want "a mission" might turn their attention to a reform in this matter, as well as in the matter of dress; but they prefer to encourage such things by paying no attention to them, and occupying a field which women were never intended by nature to occupy. There are many other subjects which might here be spoken of in connection with what we have already mentioned—such as the growing crime of infanticide, which is another offering at the shrine of Fashion by many American women—but for the present, at all events, we will conclude the subject, trusting that a reform in fashion and morality will before long be inaugurated.

CENTRAL GRAND ORANGE LODGE.—The Grand Orange Lodge of Central Canada met in Guelph on Tuesday, and the next day the following officers were elected:—M. Bowell, M. P. W. M.; D. G. Hatton, Senr., D. M.; N. S. McDonald, Jr., D. S.; S. Pock, Treasurer; A. J. Van Ingen, Secretary; Dr. Oronhyatekha, D. G.; Rev. W. Burns, G. C.; Dr. C. J. Potts, Lecturer; Alex. Barr, G. D. C.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

Miss Harriet Martineau, who is in her 67th year, is in much bad health as to be unable to revise her latest work. Lord Byron wrote, "I date my first impression against religion from having witnessed how little its votaries were actuated by true christian charity."

Mr. Weir continues the exportation of silver coin. The total amount now exported amounts to \$153,000. Discount to-day fell between a 1/2 and 3/4 per cent; and it is expected to go lower next week as the exportation goes on.

The *Pioneer*, of Sherbrooke, mentions that a farmer, of Bedford, who, from a piece of wooded land, last spring, obtained sugar to the amount of \$35; then he cut down the wood, burned it for potash, and got \$46 for it; then he planted potatoes, and in the fall sold them for \$250, making a total of \$321 in nine months.

ACCIDENT.—The *Elora Observer* says that on Saturday last, as Mr. Geo. Close, of 10th Con. of Peel, was standing with his team near a cedar tree that was being cut down by Mr. Joseph West, in West's bush, the wind, which was blowing high at the time, diverged the fall of the tree, and team and driver entirely buried in the brush. Upon removing the branches it was found that one horse, a valuable animal, was dead—the other and Mr. Close escaped unhurt.

DR. RYERSON'S SCHOOL BILL.—A correspondent writes to us as follows: "At a public meeting held in School Section No. 2, Nassagaweya, to discuss the provisions of the new School Act, it was unanimously resolved that four delegates be appointed to attend the meeting of the Rev. Dr. Ryerson, at Milton, on the 23rd, and that all power be invested in them to use every legitimate means to prevent the progress of the new School Act, and that each delegate receive the sum of one dollar for his services."

THE FERGUS FAIR.—The Fair in Fergus on Thursday, says the *News Record*, was well attended, both by buyers and sellers. The stock offered comprised cattle of all kinds, but business was almost exclusively confined to beef animals. Numerous milch cows and yokes of oxen were on the ground, but few sales were effected among these and not many inquiries made. Prices were about the same as last fair, but the stock was scarcely equal. Buyers were numerous, and very few cattle were taken from the ground without changing hands. The Fergus fair is now one of the best in the Province.

"THE QUEEN."—Mr. J. Hewer, of the Great Western Hotel in this town, has secured at much expense a very handsome full length oil painting of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, which he has placed in a conspicuous position in the bar-room. The portrait was painted in England, and was originally purchased by the city of Hamilton for a cost of something like \$500; but for certain reasons which we need not mention, it fell into the hands of a private citizen of "the ambitious city," from whom it was purchased by Mr. Hewer. All parties "joll to the hoar" when partaking of "biters" in Mr. H's bar-room, have now an incentive to drink to the toast which appears at the beginning of this paragraph.

THE CUBAN INSURRECTION.—The *Tribune's* Washington special says:—An American gentleman in Cuba, who is in a position to know the rebellion and its prospects quite thoroughly, sends information to Washington stating that the insurrection is gaining ground rapidly, especially in the eastern department. Advice from Neuvevas and other points make this certain. The patriots have a provisional government under the supreme command of Gen. Quesada, Céspedes being Secretary of War. It proposes emancipation, equal political rights for all colours, and qualified suffrage. The wealthier patriots have all emancipated their slaves, many of whom are armed. No terms from the Spaniards will now be listened to, independence only will be accepted. That established, the Cubans will seek protection from the United States, and eventually seek to become a member of the American Union.

The revolution occupies one half of the island, and increases daily. The Havana Junta have sent the Provisional Government large drafts on New York, and promise to raise immediately one million dollars. An agent will soon be sent to Washington asking belligerent rights.

"Life's path is rough," the old man said. "I'm wery, I would that I were dead." I asked what ailed him, and he feebly sighed in humbling accents he to me replied: "It is not that I am feeble, old, feeble, or that a tight boot, and an internal CORN."

NOTE.—Those who are similarly afflicted should please call on E. Harvey & Co., and get a box of Briggs' Curative, and in a jiffy his or her Corns, with all its torments, will disappear. For sale by all druggists. C. H. Wright & Co., Agents for British possessions. The summer is gone, and the autumn is past, jolly old winter has come in at last; The snow-flakes are falling quick thro' the air, Covering the ground with a mantle rare; The ice King his joys is quickly in bringing, The merry sleigh-bells are gaily ringing; And whether it be by day, or whether by night, Lamp, or candle, or clear moonlight, The breeze doth whisper, "This winter, take care! And the night wind doth bellow "Beware! Beware!"

But if you should suffer from asthma or cold, Toothache, lumbago, rheumatic pains bold, Coughs, bronchitis, or other fatality, Stripped to shorten our frail humanity, Don't stop a minute, but hurry instant, And purchase a bottle of Briggs' Alleviator. For sale by E. Harvey & Co., and all druggists. C. H. Wright & Co., Hamilton, general agents for British possessions.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.
COULSON HOUSE,
GUELPH, Feb. 20, 1869
Miss Richard, Niagara; T. Stephenson, Montreal; Dr. Johnson, Toronto; C. Sheely, Detroit; R. T. Sims, Ottawa; W. Wetherald, Bellham; W. Christie, Hamilton; William Fry, Norval; M. Thomson, Montreal; Thomas Stewart and Wife, Galt; Mrs. Welter, Waterloo; Peter McKenzie and Wife, Mount Forest; David Kennedy, do; Mr. Atkinson, Toronto; G. H. Lewis, Montreal.

DIED.
HEFFERNAN.—At Guelph, on the 18th inst., Bridget Heffernan, relict of the late Thomas Heffernan, Esq., aged 77 years.
The funeral will take place from her late residence on Waterloo Road, on Sunday, 21st inst., at 2 p. m. Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend without further notice.

New Advertisements.
Speed Lodge, No. 180.
AN EMERGENCY MEETING of the above Lodge will be held in the Masonic Hall, on TUESDAY the 23rd day of February, at half past 7 o'clock, p. m.
ROBT. CUTHBERT, Secretary.
Guelph, 19th Feb. 1869.

DRAWING INSTRUMENTS LOST
Taken from the subscriber's office, during the past two weeks, portions of a set of Drawing Instruments, supposed to have been given to boys. Parents of boys who may have any of them in their possession, by returning them to the subscriber will be suitably rewarded.
Feb 20. det STEPHEN BOULT.

THE FASHIONS.

GODEY

AND OTHER MAGAZINES,

FOR MARCH, 1869,

AT THORNTON'S

Young Canada Bookstore,

NEAR THE POST OFFICE

Guelph, Feb. 20. dw

FACTORY FOR SALE OR LEASE.

A good Factory for sale or to let. Apply to Guelph, Novem 8. BOULT, Quebec-st., Guelph Box 19, 1868. daw

TO BIRD FENCERS.

BREEDING CAGES, SINGLE AND DOUBLE CAGES, CLASS FOUNTAINS, SEED BOXES AND BATHS,

At JOHN A. WOOD'S.

Guelph, Feb. 16. do 6t

KNOX'S CHURCH, GUELPH.

SEALED TENDERS.

Will be received by the undersigned at his office, where plans and specifications can be seen till MONDAY, 8th March, for the Joinery, Plastering and Painting, required in Knox's Church.

The Building Committee do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender if not satisfactory.

JOSEPH HOBSON, 40w2

Guelph, 19th Feb.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

Notice is hereby given that the Co-partnership heretofore existing under the name and style of KENNEDY & PIKE is dissolved this day by mutual consent. All parties indebted to the late firm will please call at once at Kennedy's Office, West Market Square, as he is authorized to settle the same and grant receipts. All claims against the firm will also be settled by the same.

The business will be carried on in future by GEORGE PIKE.

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JOHN GARVIN, General Agent for Western Canada. OFFICE—TORONTO, Ont.

HIGINBOTHAM & HARVEY, Agents for Guelph and vicinity.

Guelph, 10th February. 40m

SCHOOL BOOKS & STATIONERY

SELLING AT COST

AT CLARKE'S MUSIC STORE.

The subscriber wishing to confine his attention to

THE MUSIC TRADE

IS NOW OFFERING HIS STOCK OF

School Books, Blank Books, Blank Books, Stationery, Albums, Writing Desks, Work Boxes, Travelling Bags, &c. &c.,

AT COST. CALL AND SEE.

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BY SPECIAL REQUEST.

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White Cornmeal

AT WALKER'S.

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AT WALKER'S FRUIT DEPOT,

Opposite English Church.

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FISH

NOW IN STOCK:

White Fish

Salmon

Labrador Herring

Sea Herring

Trout

Tommy Cods

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Sardines

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&c., &c.

The above will be sold cheap.

E. CARROLL & CO.,

No. 2, Day's Block.

Guelph, 11th February. 6t

ATTENTION!

All debts due by parties at the Rutherford House, and not paid this month, will be put into Court for collection.

R. RUTHERFORD.

Feb. 4, 1869.

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GUELPH AGENCY.

CANADIAN LINE—Portland to Liverpool every Saturday.

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CABIN.—Guelph to Liverpool \$83.5 and \$92.

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Return Tickets at reduced rates. Prepaid Passage Certificates issued to bring friends out, at the lowest rates. For Tickets, at-rebours every information apply to

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Agent G. T. R. Guelph

Guelph, April 1, 1868. daw

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CENTURY CHEWING TOBACCO

NEW SORT.

The Finest Fine Cut Chewing Tobacco in the World.

One hundred dollars packed in this brand daily

AT GEO. WILKINSON'S

Wynham Street, Guelph.

Guelph, 17th February. dw

TOWN OF GUELPH.</

POETRY.
The Day is Done.

The day is done, the darkness
Falls from the wings of night,
As a feather is wafted downward
From an eagle in his flight.
I see the lights of the village
Gleam through the rain and the mist,
And a feeling of sadness comes o'er me,
That my soul can not resist.
A feeling of sadness and longing,
That is not akin to pain,
And resembles sorrow only,
As the mist resembles the rain.
Come, read to me some poem,
Some simple and heart-felt lay,
That shall soothe this restless feeling,
And banish the thoughts of day.
Not from the grand old masters,
Not from the bards of olden time,
Whose distant footsteps echo
Through the corridors of time.
For, like strains of martial music,
Their mighty thoughts suggest
Life's endless toils and endeavour,
And to-night I long for rest.
Read from some humble poet,
Whose songs gush from his heart,
As showers from the clouds of summer,
Or tears from the eyes-lids start.
Who, through days of labour,
And nights devoid of ease,
Still heard in his mind the music
Of wonderful melodies.
Such songs have power to quiet
The restless pulse of care,
And come like the benediction
That follows after prayer.
Then read from the treasured volumes,
The poem of thy choice,
And lend to the poems of the poet
The beauty of thy voice.
And the night will be filled with music,
And the cares that invest the day,
Shall fold their tents, like the Arabs,
And as silently steal away.

Jeannie Sinclair,
OR
THE LILY OF THE STRATH.

CHAPTER XII.
LOVE SPRINGS UP—THE FATAL BARRIER—THE BITTERNESS OF A GREAT FIRST GRIEF.
Jeannie Sinclair, now twenty years of age, was still the Lily of the Strath. The singular beauty of her infancy had expanded into the full charms of girlhood. Fair as the beautiful flower which her pure and radiant complexion so closely resembled, she possessed a beauty altogether her own, and this, with the sweetness of her disposition, had made her the pride and admiration of the whole district. She was the favourite of old and young; not a word had any one to say in her disparagement; her superior qualities of form, feature and mind produced no envy in the heart of the girls near her own age. They felt that she was far above them, and felt it without a pang, so sweetly and unconsciously did she wear her charms and impart comfort herself to all she met.
Not a rustic in the Strath but would have been proud to woo and win her, but while all admired, no one had the confidence to approach her as a lover. The best and the proudest of them felt that they were not fit to mate her, for, in addition to the surpassing loveliness of her person, she had a grace of mind and a refinement of manner which placed her beyond the familiar companionship of the farmers' sons in the Strath, who had received no education but what the village school could give. In this respect Jeannie had advantages not enjoyed by the others, for Thomas and Grizzy, in their fondness and pride, had engaged a governess to conduct the education, and render her an accomplished young lady. Fortunately, the person who, five years before this, had come to the Strath to occupy this important office was one well qualified for the work. She was called Miss Wilson. She was unknown to all, even to Thomas and Grizzy. She had answered the advertisement which a friend in Shawhead had got inserted into the county newspaper, and on the faith of her modest, serious, sweet-tempered, and lady-like appearance they engaged her. That she came from the neighbourhood of Aberdeen, and was an orphan and without friends, was all they knew about her, till they came to know herself, and that knowledge was quite sufficient to make them love and respect her.
A better qualified or more judicious instructor Jeannie Sinclair could not have had. Miss Wilson was not more than four years her senior, but her mind was matured and disciplined, and she had a large amount of sense and discretion. Her manner was quiet and reserved, and her demeanour grave and serious. So much was this the case on her first arrival in the Strath that a pensiveness amounting to sadness settled on her spirit, as if she was bearing some secret sorrow. Whatever it was, however, she bore it alone, seeking not, through confidence, the sympathy of other hearts; but as weeks and months passed on, her nervous oppression— for it amounted even to that—grew less. She courted not so much the solitude of her chamber, nor shunned with such marked anxiety the observation of others by walking abroad. That cheerfulness of character which was evidently natural to her returned, though it was at all times tinged and subdued by her hidden grief, which appeared never to be quite forgotten.
In Jeannie Sinclair, Miss Wilson found an apt and diligent scholar, who learned quickly and well whatever she taught her. In three years the pupil had become as accomplished as the teacher; and the latter, seeing that her work of educating was complete, proposed to go, but neither Jeannie nor Thomas nor Grizzy would hear of her departure, so useful was she, and so sensible were they of the great benefits of which her presence had been productive. So she stayed on, although in her hours of quiet meditation she looked forward with pain to the hour when she must quit the Strath and seek for herself a new home and new friends.
This was, with one important exception, the state of matters in the household at the Strath when the startling incident occurred, which brought William Denman under the tree. What an utter revolution was that circumstance destined to produce on the heart and life of Jeannie Sinclair!
Brought into such close relation as the two young people were—their peculiar position towards each other making their intercourse from the first singularly open, frank and tender—our readers will easily guess the result that followed. William and Jeannie came to love each other with a pure, ardent, true, and ineradicable affection.
It was the first love of both their hearts. Much as William Denman had seen of the world, he had never met with one of the opposite sex who had awakened in his soul its softer and tenderer feelings. But in coming in contact with the beautiful, gentle, and artless Jeannie Sinclair, he had met his fate. How could it be otherwise, in those days of slow and lingering convalescence, when her presence made the sunlight of his chamber, and the radiant smile of her beautiful countenance was ever cast upon him—when her tender hand and thoughtful womanly devotion surrounded him with every possible comfort—when her silvery, musical voice thrilled through all his being, and the atmosphere of her presence floated about him, producing a delicious joy, and in his heart the opportunity which had secured for him a happiness so great, and brought to him an experience so exquisite! In his eyes Jeannie appeared as the highest ideal of woman—the embodiment of maidenly grace and virtue. Her person, her mind, her heart were all that he could wish. How, then, could he prevent his love from centring on her? How was it possible, that his noble, generous, youthful soul, so capable of ardent affection, and waiting, as it were, to find a fit object on which to lavish its wealth of feeling, should not eagerly and irresistibly make her the idol of its admiration, and enshrine her image in its holy place, as the goddess of his purest earthly worship?
TO BE CONTINUED.

PETRIE'S DRUG STORE.
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INFALLIBLE
Tobacco Antidote
WARRANTED
To Remove all desire for Tobacco.
It is entirely Vegetable and harmless.

It saves a lifelong expense!
A. B. PETRIE,
Sole Agent for Guelph.
Feb. 2, 1869.

GREAT POWERS
PREST & HEPBURN
In the leather war now going on between their opponents on the south side of Wyndham-st.

WE do not believe in bosh and bunkum, but deal with facts, and leave the verdict in the hands of the intelligent people of Wellington. We are prepared to prove, and we positively affirm, notwithstanding all the pulling and blowing which has become the order of the day, that PREST & HEPBURN, Wyndham Street, Guelph, manufacture more
BOOTS AND SHOES
And employ double the number of workmen of any other establishment in the County of Wellington. We invite the public to call and look through our Factory, and they will be convinced that we are telling the truth, and nothing but the truth.
A great deal has been said for and against machine-made Boots and Shoes. Now we believe, and we are confident that every well-balanced mind in Wellington will agree with us, that the less machinery used in manufacturing Boots and Shoes the better. All our style Boots and Shoes are made by hand, which must be admitted to be superior to any machine-made Goods. We have now on hand the largest and best assortment of Boots and Shoes ever offered to the people of Wellington, which we will sell as cheap as the cheapest. Remember that all our work is warranted, and no second price. Repairs done as usual.

PREST & HEPBURN,
Guelph, 2nd November, 1868.

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Higginbotham's Pulmonic Syrup!
Is the safest and most efficacious remedy for Coughs, Colds, Hoarseness, &c., so prevalent during the present season. Prepared only by
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This preparation is the best for removing all roughness of the skin and complexion. Prepared only by
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Guelph, 3rd February, 1869.

MONEY TO LEND.
The undersigned are requested to obtain Farm Securities for several thousand dollars, to be lent at moderate interest.
LEMON & PETERSON,
Barristers, Solicitors, &c.
Guelph Dec. 9th, 1868.

NEW METHOD FOR THE PIANO.
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MORCAN'S DOMINION
HAIR-DRESSING PARLOR
Having had large experience in Cutting and Dressing Hair in the Old Country and in the British Army, where a great deal of good taste had to be displayed to meet the requirements of aspiring young officers, and having carried on the business for half a year, and prospered well in Guelph, I will only add that being now assisted by Mr. JOHN THORNTON, long and favorably known in Guelph, I am better able to give satisfaction than any in the profession. Having observed a good deal of carelessness in many barbershops in regard to the latter cups and hair brushes, I am determined to keep them clean, as is well known I have done in the past. Best Hair Dye used. A call is solicited where dyeing is needed. Come, gentlemen of Guelph, come all. Satisfaction guaranteed, nothing charged. Special attention paid to Ladies' and Children's Hair—the latter only charged 10 cents for hair cutting. Remember the shop—St. George's Square, behind the English Church, Guelph.

Guelph, January 21, 1869. dwy E. MORGAN

THE WATCH FACTORY AT WALTHAM, MASS.

Every sixth minute in the working day a finished watch movement is the average production of the above Factory. Yet, at this enormous rate of manufacture, the Company can barely supply the demand. They have already produced almost
HALF A MILLION OF WATCHES,
most of which are now in the pockets of the people, testifying to their superior merits as timekeepers. 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 "Eliery" 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,
as the movements are not only reliable, but the cases in gold are rich and handsome and of guaranteed fitness. Thousands of these watches are now worn in Canada—every day they are becoming more popular. Very soon they will be the only watches sold in any quantity in the Dominion. Buyers should always require the guarantee of the Company with each watch, to avoid being imposed upon by spurious Swiss imitations. These watches may be ordered through any Jeweller in the Dominion in gold or silver cases, for ladies or gentlemen; or in districts where there are no watchmakers, we supply them to general merchants by the dozen. To the wearer they are the cheapest watches in the world!

ROBBINS & APPLETON,
General Agents, New York.
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WILLIAM BROWNLOW,
UNDERTAKER,
SHOP, in rear of the WELLINGTON HOTEL, S. Douglas Street. Home in rear of F. W. Stone's Store, and fronting the Fair Ground.
The subscriber intimates that he is prepared to attend
FUNERALS
As usual in Town and Country. Coffins always on hand and made to order on the shortest notice terms very moderate. W. M. BROWNLOW
Dec. 29, 1868. dwy

A RARE CHANCE
A Six Year's Lease and Furniture of a First-class Hotel in the Town of Guelph for sale.
To be sold by private sale, a six year's lease and furniture of the best Hotel in the Town of Guelph. The subscriber being about to leave Canada, wishes to dispose of the above. For further particulars apply to
M. DEADY, Ready's Hotel, Guelph, Guelph, 5th Feb. 1869. dwy

PROSPECTUS
OF
CUTHBERT'S
Circulating Library.

THE Subscriber has pleasure in announcing the establishment of a Library for public circulation. This is a want that is very much needed in Guelph, and from the conviction that it will be an advantage to the public—which will be felt and appreciated in its institution is undertaken. The best incentive to profitable reading and research is some object of prize apart from the object of developing the mental faculties. Studied pursued simply with the latter object in view is difficult to persevere, and not a few are frightened to undertake the task, when they consider the time, patience and labour involved in the acquisition of extensive knowledge. To lessen the influence of such an idea, the subscriber proposes—
1st.—To give free access to his Library for the small sum of \$1.00 per year, payable in advance. The Library consists of a large collection of STANDARD WORKS—Biographical, Historical and Philosophical; the Novels of the best authors; and all the Magazines and Reviews, Papers and Periodicals worth having, of English, American and Canadian publication, will found in connection with this Library.
2nd.—At the end of the year, prizes shall be awarded for the best essays on three distinct subjects—said subjects to be submitted by the subscribers.
3rd.—The information necessary to the essayists to enable them to write on any of the subjects that shall be submitted, shall be fully within the scope of the Library.
4th.—The essays shall be referred to a committee of gentlemen, thoroughly competent to examine them and decide upon their merit.
5th.—According to the decision of the Committee, so shall the prizes be awarded.
6th.—The prize essays shall remain the property of the subscriber, who alone shall possess the right of publication, or of their being reprinted.
7th.—Every one, upon payment of one dollar, has the right to compete for any of the prizes, or for all of them.
8th.—As this enterprise is being established for the purpose of giving rise to a healthy mental competition amongst the people, who may choose to subscribe to the Library, it is thought advisable not to receive less than ten written papers on any of the subjects of the year, to be submitted, while it is desirable that every member should contribute for one or more of the prizes offered.
9th.—The value of the prizes shall not be less than \$25.00 in cash, which shall be awarded in cash or otherwise at the option of the successful competitor.
10th.—Any person in any part of the country may become a member, provided he or she can conform to the rule of retaining a book long enough to be returned to the subscriber in Guelph and vicinity the time allowed shall be two weeks.
11th.—The Subscriber having made arrangements with some of the largest publishing houses both in England and the United States, to be constant in the receipt of every new work that comes out, he is confident that nothing shall be wanting on his part to make the enterprise a perfect success.

SUBJECTS:
1st.—The best exposition of Kant's Critique of Pure Reason. Prize, \$50.
2nd.—The best Essay on Political Economy, and that system of it most adapted to the interests of the Dominion of Canada. Prize, \$50.
3rd.—The best Essay on Education. Prize, \$50.
His books of reference now are the newest and of the most expensive kind, consisting of the Popular Encyclopedia—in itself a complete library—a Biographical Dictionary, a Chronological Dictionary, and Webster's Unabridged Dictionary.
One thousand subscribers are anticipated. The number already obtained, previous to any public announcement, is exceedingly encouraging.
N.B.—Cuthbert's Library is not intended to conflict with any public institution, but on the contrary will have a tendency to promote the usefulness of all existing libraries.
R. CUTHBERT,
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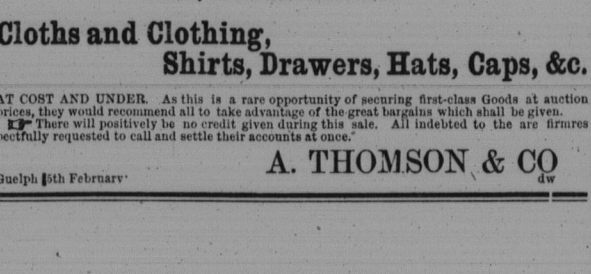
CUNARD OCEAN STEAMERS.
LEAVING New York every Thursday for Queenstown or Liverpool.
FARE FROM HAMILTON
First Cabin, - - - \$87, gold value
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Berths not secured until paid for. For further particulars apply to
CHARLES T. JONES & CO.,
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Agents for the Erie and New York Railway, Fare from Hamilton to New York \$7, gold value Hamilton 1st June, 1869. dwy

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

Sale of Cloths and Clothing!

STILL GOING ON.
A. THOMSON & CO.
WOULD intimate that as their Mr. Thomson is retiring from business, the whole of their stock must be sold and the business wound up. To facilitate this, they have determined to
Commence a Clearing Sale on Monday 21st Dec.,
When they will offer their immense stock of
Cloths and Clothing,
Shirts, Drawers, Hats, Caps, &c.

AT COST AND UNDER. As this is a rare opportunity of securing first-class Goods at auction prices, they would recommend all to take advantage of the great bargains which shall be given. If there will positively be no credit given during this sale. All indebted to the firm are respectfully requested to call and settle their accounts at once.
A. THOMSON & CO
Guelph 15th February



NOTICE.

Any account remaining unpaid in my books on the 15th February, 1869, will, without any reservation or distinction of person, be handed into A. A. Baker, Esq., who will receive the amount with costs.

JOHN HOGG,
Feb. 3, 1869. Golden Lion, Guelph.

BUSINESS STILL GOOD

AT THE
BRADFORD HOUSE
DRESS GOODS!
Another LARGE ARRIVAL AT 1/2 Cents, worth DOUBLE the Money.

JACKETS! JACKETS!
Jackets at Panic Prices—Astrachan Jackets, Sealskin Jackets, Whittney,—Black and Coloured, Petersburg,—Black and Coloured, and an immense variety of
FANCY JACKETS, COMMENCING AT \$1.00.

Table Linen and Sheetings.
The BRADFORD HOUSE is still a Household Word amongst Housekeepers, for cheap Furnishings of every description. CALL AND EXAMINE.

MILLINERY!
For stylish BONNETS go to the BRADFORD HOUSE.
For CHEAP HATS go to the BRADFORD HOUSE.
The best assortment of FEATHERS, FLOWERS, MILLINERY TRIMMINGS, &c., is to be found at the BRADFORD HOUSE
Wyndham Street, Guelph, November 28

PHILIP BISHOP
JACKSON & HALLETT,
NO. 7, WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.

WE HAVE ON HAND, as below, which will be sold either WHOLESALE OR RETAIL at the Lowest Cash Prices—
FISH
100 Barrels No. 1 Labrador Herrings,
50 Barrels Round Herrings,
150 half Barrels Lake Herrings,
150 half Barrels Trout,
60 half Barrels White Fish,
30 quintals Dry Cod Fish

200 barrels Goderich and Onondago Salt,
ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY BUSHELS DRIED APPLES.
WINDSOR WHISKIES—20 Barrels extra Old Rye, 100 Barrels Superior Whiskies. Scotch and Canadian Malt Whiskies.

COAL OIL, 150 BARRELS. WHOLESALE, BY THE BARREL ONLY.
With a full assortment of GENERAL GROCERIES.
JACKSON & HALLETT,
Guelph, February 4 dwy

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK

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Agents for investing Money for the
TRUST and LOAN COMPANY
OF UPPER CANADA, AND
THE CANADA PERMANENT
BUILDING and SAVINGS
SOCIETIES
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THESE Companies afford every facility to the borrower, and give him the privilege of either retaining the principal for a term of years or paying it off by instalments extending over any term of years up to 15.

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK,
Have also a large amount of
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On hand for Investment.
Money invested and interest collected Mortgages bought subject to examination of title. No valuation of property offered.
Debentures, Stocks and Securities of all kinds negotiated.

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Are Agents for the
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DAVIDSON & CHADWICK
are Agents for the
STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY,
Established - - - in 1825.
The STANDARD takes risks at very reasonable rates, and Policy holders are secured by the large sum of accumulated and invested funds, viz: \$15,000,000, and the Company have made the deposit with the Government of the Dominion of Canada required by the new Act.

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK
Have a number of FARMS for sale in the Co. of Wellington and adjoining Counties.
Also, Town Lots and Houses
In Guelph, Berlin, Fergus, &c.

AMARANTH
Lot 22, in the 16th Concession 200 acrs
Lots 17, 18 and 19, 8th Con., 600 acrs.
ARTHUR.
South-half of Lot 15, 3rd Con., 100 acrs, 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 orchard; well watered.
Part of 5, in 1st Con., 90 acres, 70 cleared, good building.
East half of 9, in 4th Con., 100 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 & fenced.
East-half of Lot 32, 5th Con., 100 acres, 75 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 Victoria and Walnut Streets, with stabling for 40 horses.

CARAFRAXA.
West-half of Lot 4, in 15th Con., with 50 acres of Lot 2—a splendid farm, with good outbuildings—100 acres of it are cleared, and adjoining another 100 acres, 80 of which are cleared, in Erin, making it desired a block of 200 acres.
Lot 11, in 15th Con., 100 acres; 60 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.

Valuable Store—A three story store (with basement) cut across front, fitted up in the best style as a Grocery Store—situate on Wyndham Street, between Higginbotham's corner and Hadden's store. The price is low—the terms are liberal, and the rental will pay a handsome interest to the purchaser.
River Lots on Queen Street, well adapted for Private residences, valuable quarries being on the lots.
Water Privilege and Mill Site, on a fine tract of 13 acres, composed of the 14th 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, 35, 26, 40, 41, 49, 50, 51, in Webster's Survey, lying between Stracey Street and the river Sped.
Lot 4, on the north side of Pearl Street, with double frame house.
Lot 155, corner of Gordon and Wellington-St., Lots 104 and 104A, 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 to 5 acres each.
Nos. 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30, 36, 37, 38 and 39, fronting on the Waterloo Road, and 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 2, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 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 338, Market Street, next to Mr. Heffernan residence.

LUTHER.
North-half Lot 18, in the 4th Con. 160 acres
South-half Lot 19, 4th " 100 "
Lot 2, 7th " 200 "
Lot 15, 5th " 200 "
Lot 25, 6th " 200 "
Lot 14, 11th " 100 "
Lot 15, 12th " 200 "
Lot 9, 11th " 200 "
Lot 16, 12th " 174 "
Lot 17, 12th " 100 "
Lot 18, 12th " 200 "
Lot 19, 12th " 200 "
Lot 11, 13th " 200 "
Lot 12, 13th " 200 "
Lot 13, 13th " 200 "
Lot 4, 8th " 200 "
Lot 5, 9th " 200 "
Lot 1, 10th " 100 "
Lot 11, 12th " 200 "

DEBENTURES WANTED.
Wanted, \$50,000 of County Debentures, small or large—those having several years to run preferred.
Prompt attention will be given to all replies and letters addressed to
DAVIDSON & CHADWICK,
General Agents—Town Hall Buildings, Guelph, Guelph, 5th January dwy

