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One of the direct means of attaining and holding this high position has been the constant and varied selection of thoroughly competent, conscientious and energetic teachers in each department. In the Writing department the First Prizes for Business Penmanship were awarded to us at the Provincial Exhibitions of 1865, 1866, and 1867, the only occasion on which we were successful. This honor undoubtedly places this College at the top of the wheel, we shall always strive to maintain that position, as in all other branches of study which are characteristic of the institution. Plain legible business writing is the style to which we have ever given the most prominent place, our motto being "a business hand for a business man."

The time required to complete the full course varies considerably according to the attendance, attention and ability of each student. Young men, however, are earnestly cautioned against the injurious practice of hurrying through the course from the mistaken idea that they will thus be gainers by the saving of money in the item of board. Infinitely more advantageous would it be to the student, since his full course of tuition is already paid for, to incur the comparatively small additional expense of a few weeks' board in order to make time for the completion of his course, and thus by a small present outlay, qualify himself for some lucrative situation. The crudeness of such haste entails a highly detrimental result not only to the student himself, but also to the College where he graduates, and besides it brings opprobrium on Commercial Colleges generally. The common practice, therefore, of hastening through the course system as an inducement to students is most deceptive and highly reprehensible.

MURGOVE & WRIGHT, Toronto, 6th Dec. 1867. dw

NEW LAW OFFICE.

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

Office over Berry's Confectionery Store, Wyndham Street, Guelph, 4th December, 1867. dw

Evening Mercury.

OFFICE: MACDONNELL STREET. MONDAY EVENING, DEC. 30.

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

DRAMATIC.—The Brampton Dramatic Club appear upon the boards for the first time this evening, in two farces, the one entitled "Slasher and Crasher," and the other "Box and Cox." They intend to devote the proceeds to charitable purposes.

The already famous Sun Burner can only be had at Mr. Trotter's, and the better to accommodate those who wish to get it, his store will remain open each evening until 7, and on Saturday till 9.

A BIG FIGHT.—A row occurred in Brantford on the evening of Christmas day, between a number of civilians and ten or twelve of the 69th Regiment, and for a short time the engagement was most severe. The termination of the affair saw several of both parties ready to be carried home on stretchers.

Goderich Salt is only to be had at John A. Wood's.

FEARFUL SLAUGHTER OF FOWL.—On the night of Wednesday of last week a wild cat entered the outhouses of Mr. Joseph Lambrecht, Lot 32, 15th con, of Elma, and destroyed forty fowl. The animal was caught in the act and destroyed.

All who appreciate the benefit of a clear, bright light, should call at Mr. Horsman's and get the grand new Sun Burner and Chimney at 33 1/2c, and some of his pure White Coal Oil at 15c. Store open till 7 p. m.

A meeting of the brewers of the Western towns is called at the Commercial Hotel, Galt, on Monday next, for the purpose of establishing a uniform price for malt beverages, on invitation of the brewers of the counties of Wellington and Waterloo.

Scotch Whiskey, Malt Whiskey, Old Rye Whiskey, Cobourg Whiskey, at John A. Wood's.

PITIFUL.—Some person who allowed his love of conviviality to get the better of his prudence on Christmas day, and who signs himself "Leather Strap," has written to the London Advertiser to complain of his wife for thrashing him when he went home jolly. Poor man, his case is bad enough, but it might be worse, were he not blessed with a prompt and energetic help-meet.

The best brands of Smoking and Chewing Tobacco are kept at Geo. Wilkinson's.

AN ATTEMPT AT ROBBERY FRUSTRATED.—They are in the habit of committing highway robbery about London the Lees, or at least of attempting to commit it. A Mr. Brown was going home on Thursday night last, when some fellow met him on the commons, and after asking him what o'clock it was, collared him and demanded his money. Mr. Brown planted a "stinger" upon the would-be robber's left eye, that stretched him on the ground, and then after nearly cooking him to death, he headed the appeal for mercy that was gurgled out, and left him

NEW BOOKS.

ATLANTIC MONTHLY.—The January number of this excellent periodical has been received. It contains the first instalment of Charles Dickens' new story, written expressly for it, and entitled "George Silverman's Explanation," besides the following—The Wife; Flotsam and Jetsam, Part I; Pittsburg; Doctor Molk's friends; The Combat of Diomed and Mars; Our Second Girl; Old port Wharves; The Late President Wayland; By-Ways of Europe; and Aspects of Culture; In the Twilight; Mrs. Johnson; Hawshore in the Boston Custom House; The Old Masters in the Louvre, and Modern Art; Reviews and Literary Notices. For sale at the bookstores.

OUR YOUNG FOLKS.—We have received from the publishers, Messrs. Ticknor & Fields, Boston, the January number of this popular magazine. In addition to its usual attraction it contains an excellent engraving of Dickens, and Part I. of a Holiday Romance from the pen of the great novelist, admirably adapted to the intellectual capacities of juvenile readers. The remaining contents are varied, able and interesting. For sale at the bookstores.

THE BROTHERS' EVE.—This is the title of a new novel issued by the Harpers, and which forms one of their select series. The author is Carlen, who has already contributed to the entertainment of lovers of romance by several first class works. The book is interesting, and the moral instructive. For sale at Day's Bookstore.

LONDON SOCIETY.—The December number of this clever Magazine has been received from Messrs. Chubb & Co., of Toronto. It contains first-class literature and many apt and well executed illustrations. That Memorable Night; Corners in Cornwall; why he changed his rooms; the Piccadilly Papers; Victims and their Victimizers; Marie; Playing for High Stakes; the Last Hour; Thumbail Studies in London Streets; the Serenade; and a Big side at Rugby, constitute its contents, and there is not a single rapid article among them. The magazine is for sale at Day's bookstore.

HARPER'S MAGAZINE.—The January No. of this magy magazine has been received from Messrs. Tunis & Co., Clifton. No other periodical presents so much matter to its readers, nor varies so much the character of its contents. There are many very interesting articles and tales in this number, and the Drawer has still the same inexhaustible fund of amusement. For sale at Day's bookstore.

A LARGE HOG.—Mr. John Easterbrook, of Nassaugweya, lately killed a hog which was nine months and one week old, and weighed 315 lbs.

To accommodate his customers, Mr. Horsman will in future keep his establishment open till seven o'clock each evening, and on Saturday until 9.

OFFICE SEEKERS.—The St. Catharines Journal replies to various communications from parties looking for government offices, who have requested its assistance in attaining the object aimed at. It looks upon the man who loses his time and money in search of an office as engaged in the most thankless, most humiliating, and worst paying business in the country, and thinks that a more melancholy sight than that of a number of abled-bodied, well-informed men scrambling, manœuvring, twisting and turning to get an offices under Government, can scarcely be imagined.

One of Mr. Horsman's new style Vase Lamps, with the celebrated Sun Burner, makes a handsome gift for New Year's. To accommodate the public, his store will be kept open each evening till seven o'clock, and on Saturdays until nine.

SUICIDE.—The Milton Champion says: A few days ago a harmless old man named Francis Whitburn, but better known in Milton and neighborhood as "old Frank," committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor. An inquest was held on the body, but we have not learned the nature of the verdict. We have no doubt that the rash act was committed during mental aberration, as he was subject to fits of melancholy. He was married about a year ago, and had lately left Milton for Omagh.

Nearly all gone are those large lots of Poultry. The reason why, J. MURPHY sells them cheaper than any farmer can raise them. A fresh supply in time for Christmas and New Year's at No. 1, Upper Wyndham-st., Guelph.

FIRST APPEARANCE.—We would remind our readers of the first appearance to-night of the Guelph Amateur Dramatic Club in the Town Hall. "The Charcoal Burner" is an entertaining comedy, and from what we hear of the rehearsals of the Club we doubt not that they will do full justice to every character in the play. They have studied hard to avoid the necessity of prompting, and they are now working equally hard to complete their arrangement, and to have the Hall as well fitted up as possible. Some of the members of the club, we understand, play in a style seldom equalled, except by professionals, and as amateurs all are above mediocrity. We hope to see proof in the fullness of the house that their time and labour have not been spent in vain, and that their talents are not unappreciated. Give them at least one good hearing, and if they do not prove themselves worthy, they cannot expect the same generosity again.

Mr. Horsman's sale of Lamps, Oil, Chimneys, Wicks, &c., is so great that he finds it necessary to keep open his store each evening till 7, and on Saturday till 9.

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE.

THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE. At two o'clock on Saturday afternoon, the Legislature of Ontario was formally opened by the Speech from the Throne. Outside the House, there were pretty much the same demonstrations as on the previous day. Crowds of persons thronged the space in front of the building and cheered heartily on the arrival and departure of Lieut.-Gov. Stisted. Cannon thundered the Vice-regal salute, and at the entrance to the Legislative Chamber were the usual guards of honor and military bands. Inside the building, the scene was very gay and animated from an early hour in the afternoon. The number of ladies in full dress invading the body of the House, was so large that the seats devoted to the accommodation of the privileged, were found altogether insufficient, and very many of the seats of the members were given up to the ladies. This was a decided improvement so far as general appearance went; and very much enlivened the Chamber for the time being. The ladies were magnificently attired. In this respect the scene on Saturday was not a whit behind that which marked the opening of the House of Commons at Ottawa.

When the Lieutenant-General had entered the House and taken his seat, the Speaker rose, and addressing His Excellency, said:—Your Excellency, the Legislative Assembly have elected me as their Speaker,—though ill-able to perform the duties assigned to that office. And if in the performance of those duties I should at any time fall into error, I pray your Excellency that the fault may be imputed to me and not the House of Assembly,—whose servant I am. And the better to enable them to discharge their duties to their Queen and country, they desire through me to humbly pray your Excellency that all their undoubted rights and privileges—especially those of freedom of speech and access to your Excellency's person at all reasonable times, and that their proceedings as well as my words and actions should receive from your Excellency the most favourable consideration.

Hon. M. C. Cameron read the following, in reply:—Mr. Speaker, I am commanded by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to declare to you that he has the fullest confidence in the attachment of the Legislative Assembly to Her Majesty's person and Government, and not doubting that their proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temper, and prudence, he grants and upon all occasions will recognize and allow their constitutional privileges; and I am commanded also to assure you that the members of the Assembly shall have ready access to His Excellency upon all reasonable occasions, and their proceedings, as well as your words and actions, will constantly receive from him the most favourable consideration.

His Excellency then delivered the Speech from the Throne, which was as follows:—

SPEECH. Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:—

In accordance with the provisions of a Statute of the Imperial Parliament for the Federal Union of the British North American Provinces, and for the erection of separate Local Governments in the Province of Ontario and Quebec, I have been deputed, in the name of Her Majesty the Queen, to open the first session of the Legislature of Ontario. I rejoice at the opportunity which has been thus afforded me, of welcoming the representatives of the people in this city, so long known as the Capital of Upper Canada.

This day is the commencement of a new and important era in our political annals. We are met together under the authority of the British Crown, to enter upon a more extended application than we have hitherto enjoyed of the principle of local self-government. For years past it has been the aim and effort of Upper Canada to secure a more direct and unlimited control over her own local affairs than was attainable whilst in Legislative alliance with another Province. Sensible of the many advantages which have accrued to both sections from this Union, since its accomplishment in the year 1841, the people of Western Canada have, nevertheless, desired a wider and more elastic governmental system, which, while it should strengthen and consolidate British Dominion on this continent, should also afford larger opportunities for their own particular growth and expansion. This object we have now obtained through the beneficent interposition of the mother country.

The provision for the future Government of this Province is, in one respect, peculiar and exceptional. It confers upon you, gentlemen, the exclusive privilege of framing laws in relation to matters within your jurisdiction, unaided and unchecked by the supervisory control of another Chamber. It remains for you to justify by your wisdom, moderation and forethought the confidence so freely reposed in you by the Imperial Government.

You begin your Legislative labors with resources, at your disposal, large enough to justify the hope that they will prove adequate not only for the actual requirements of Government, but also to satisfy the wants of this rapidly improving country.

It will devolve upon you to consider the best and most appropriate means of husbanding, as far as possible, the public wealth. I would earnestly press upon your attention the expediency of encouraging immigration and the occupation of our public lands, by affording to the working classes of Europe and to the young men of our own Province additional inducements to settle and remain amongst us. The enactment of a liberal Homestead Law, with a free grant of land to bona fide settlers, would, I apprehend, prove of incalculable advantage in adding to the number and quality of our resident population.

I am authorized to inform you that arrangements are in progress for the speedy appointment of Arbitrators for the division and adjustment of the debts, credits, liabilities, properties and assets of the late Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada under the 142nd section of the British North American Act. When these gentlemen shall have completed their labours, a copy of their Report shall be laid before you.

The expenses hitherto attending the establishment of a Local Government in this Province have been necessarily incurred upon the sole responsibility of the

pointed therein, but I have directed detailed accounts of all such expenditure to be submitted to you for your approval and sanction. I have also caused estimates of the anticipated revenue and expenditure for the ensuing year to be prepared, which I commend to your careful attention, relying upon your readiness to make suitable provision for the exigencies of the public service within that period.

In carrying out the special objects for which you have been constituted as a Legislative body, you will also be required to bestow your most serious consideration upon such applications as may be made to you for the incorporation of companies for Provincial purposes, or for the promotion of local works and undertakings. And it must be your endeavor, whilst affording due encouragement to individual enterprise, to protect the interests of the public at large from the consequences of rash or ill-adviced speculations.

In the fulfilment of these onerous and responsible duties, I have the utmost confidence in your zeal and fidelity to the trust committed to you by the Constitution, and in your loyalty and attachment to the person and Government of Our Gracious Sovereign. But I would beseech you always to remember, that whilst your immediate functions are limited to matters of local concern, you form the most prominent and populous portion of a new-born Dominion, which, I venture to hope, will ere long extend from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and be the home of a vast multitude of thriving and contented subjects of the British Crown. Your own position in this new Confederacy, weighty and influential as it now is, will hereafter become relatively of increasing magnitude according to the degree of prudence, sagacity and forethought you may evince in the management of the important interests entrusted to your care.

May the blessing of Almighty God accompany your deliberations, and make them conducive to the public welfare, and to the lasting happiness of the people of Ontario!

At the close of the Speech His Excellency bowed and retired; and the Judges and Ministers, officers and ladies, having left the Chamber, proceedings were resumed at about a quarter to three.

The introduction and first reading of the Bill providing for the administration of the oaths of office was ordered, and the second reading was appointed two weeks hence.

Hon. M. C. Cameron presented petitions praying for the Incorporation of the Railway Companies, for the construction of the light narrow gauge railways to the Northwest and North-east, known as the Toronto, Grey and Bruce, and the Toronto and Nipissing Railways. Sir Henry Smith presented a petition for the Incorporation of the Ontario College of Pictou, and Mr. McKellar one from the County Council of Kent, praying for a charter for the construction of the Great South-east Railway.

Hon. J. S. McDonald, seconded by Hon. Mr. Carling, moved that the select standing Committees of this House, for the present session, be appointed for the following purposes:—

- 1. On Privileges and Elections. 2. Railways. 3. Miscellaneous Private Bills. 4. Standing Orders.

And that said committees shall have power to examine and enquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by the House, and shall report from time to time their observations thereon.

Mr. McKellar called attention to the omission of the Committee on Contingencies, and asked whether it was the intention of Ministers to dispense with it. He spoke of the duties devolving upon it, under the old regime, and testified to its importance and usefulness, and to the efforts it had made at various times to reduce the expenses of the Legislature. He urged that it was by means of this committee that the House preserved the necessary control of its expenses, and oversight of the appointments of its officers, their numbers, duties, and salaries.

Hon. Mr. Macdonald defended the proposition of the Government, on the ground that the whole expenses should be under the control of the Government, which should be responsible for the expenditure of all public moneys; and that this responsibility should not be shifted from the Ministry to the shoulders of an irresponsible committee. The Speaker and the Government would manage all the matters formerly delegated to the Contingencies Committee, and assume the responsibility for them jointly.

Sir Henry Smith approved of the Government plan. Mr. Blake was in favor of appointing the Committee. Mr. Ferguson and Mr. McMurrich also spoke in the same strain but after a few words from the Attorney General, the motion was put and carried without a division.

It was then agreed that the debate on the Address should begin at ten o'clock on Monday forenoon.

The Attorney-General informed the House that the postage on the correspondence of members would be paid out of the Provincial exchequer, the franking of letters by members securing the payment of the postage, which would be charged by the Postal department of the Province of Ontario. The House was also informed that the public printing for the present session would be given out by tender to the lowest bidder, and that the Government intended to propose a measure on the subject, which would be submitted to the House for its approval.

The House then adjourned.

If you want Sugars at low rates, go to Geo. Wilkinson's.

All who wish to get supplied with Mr. Horsman's splendid White Coal Oil at 15c, or with Lamps, Chimneys, Wicks, &c., have now an opportunity of doing so, as he keeps his Store open till 7 o'clock, and on Saturdays till 9 o'clock.

It is stated that a German has recently invented a telescope or magnifying glass, by means of which the most intricate nerves and vessels inside of the body may be seen from the outside. If this be true the invention will be of incalculable benefit to mankind.

Bas' Pale Ale and Guinness' Dublin Porter in pints and quarts at Geo. Wilkinson's.

ANOTHER STEP FORWARD BY AUSTRIA.—Austria, in the passage of the bill by the Reichsrath for the emancipation of the Jews, has taken another important step forward in the great work of dismembering herself of the shameful

BY TELEGRAPH.

Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

BY ATLANTIC CABLE. Southampton, Dec. 29, evening.—The steamer Bourrasia, from New York, 24th, arrived.

Paris, Dec. 29.—Bourse heavy; circulation of all kinds weak, and Renten declining. London, Dec. 29th.—The London Observer says: No new or extraordinary measures will now be asked of Parliament by the Government for the suppression of Fenian plots or disturbances. It is expected that owing to the prostration of commerce and trade during past quarter of the year, the January return will show a serious decline in the amount of the receipts from revenue during that period in the United Kingdom.

A number of eminent Russian statesmen and diplomatists have met in St. Petersburg, and are holding a conference on the Eastern question.

Despatches from Italy represent that there is much political agitation in Northern and Southern Italy, in Naples and in the cities of Piedmont. The excitement is dangerous, and fears are entertained that it may culminate in risings against the authority of the government.

Paris, Dec. 29.—The Government offers to pay the interest on those Italian bonds which represent the old debt of the Pontifical States annexed to the Kingdom of Italy. The Italian Parliament recently refused, by a decisive vote, to pay the coupons on those bonds.

London, Dec. 28.—The Fenians seem to be unusually active all over the country. Nearly every hour in the day despatches are received by the authorities announcing either a contemplated movement by the brotherhood, or its absolute occurrence.

Telegrams of quite a serious nature have been received to-day from Cork, giving the details of another Fenian coup-d'etat. Last night, about midnight, a large body of men with blackened faces, stormed the Martello tower near Cork.—The guard of the tower was overpowered and scattered, and the victors hastily collected together a considerable quantity of arms and ammunition and escaped with it without molestation.

The late operations of the Fenians have had the effect of rekindling the public excitement, which had nearly died out. Many improbable rumors are afloat, including one that a Fenian cruiser had been seen off the Irish coast, and was chased away by British war vessels.

A man was arrested in this city last evening on the charge of having fired the fuse which caused the recent explosion at Clerkenwell. From information in the hands of the authorities it is believed that the true culprit has at last been captured.

Madrid, Dec. 28.—The steamer in command of Admiral Tegethoff of the Austrian navy, having on board the remains of the late Archduke Maximilian, arrived at Cadix yesterday. The session of the Cortes commenced yesterday. In the usual speech from the throne, Queen Isabella pledged the support of the nation to his Holiness the Pope, for the preservation of the temporal power.

London, Dec. 28.—Another Fenian outrage was perpetrated to-day at Dublin. An effort was made to fire the General Postoffice by means of Greek fire. The attempt was happily frustrated. Beyond the destruction of a few letters no great damage was done. A large powder mill at Feversham, about 50 miles from here, was blown up and utterly destroyed this afternoon. Ten persons were killed outright and a large number injured. The cause of explosion is unknown.

American Despatches.

Hartford, Dec. 29th.—The Russian government has made a contract with the Colt Fire Arms Company of this city for the manufacture of 30,000 Verdun rifles, the contract to be filled in 15 months. One hundred revolving cannon have also been ordered by the Prussian government.

New York, Dec. 30.—The Tribune's special says:—Notwithstanding the abrupt termination of the correspondence between Secretary Seward and Lord Stanley on the Alabama claims, it is understood that the new English Minister, Mr. Thornton, has been empowered with full authority to re-open the question, with a view to effecting if possible, an easy and amicable adjustment of the difficulty.

Boston, Dec. 29.—Some half dozen prominent Republicans in the town of Wrentham have had a verdict rendered against them for riding two men on a rail the day after the assassination of President Lincoln. They defended their course on the ground that one said he was glad the President was dead, and the other burned him in effigy. Several women were engaged in rail-riding the parties, but no action has yet been brought against them.

Municipal Nominations.

Orangeville.—On Monday, the 23rd inst Mr. T. Jull and Mr. M. McCarty were nominated for the Receptivity of Orangeville, and Messrs T. Jackson, J. Anderson, W. S. Hewat, S. H. McKittrick, and P. McNab for Councilors.

Esqueping.—The following candidates were nominated for the office of Reeve, Deputy Reeve and Councilors for the township of Esqueping for the ensuing year: For Reeve, Messrs John McNaughton, Wm. Clay and James Lindsay. For Deputy Reeve, John McNaughton and J. Lindsay. For Councilors, Messrs Thos. Hume, Joseph Kirby, John Warren, Wm. McEnery and Robert S. Hall.

For the best flavored, strongest, finest and cheapest Green, Black and Japan Teas in the Dominion, go to Geo. Wilkinson's.

THEFT.—On Saturday evening between five and six o'clock some pulled down a pair of pants that were hanging at the door of Mr. A. O. Buchanan's store, and bolted round the corner with them. Some person who had seen the deed perpetrated gave information in the shop, but it was too late for when pursuit was instituted the thief was gone.

OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET
MONDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 30.

DEATH OF THE HON. MR. BLAIR.

It is with great regret that we announce the sudden death of the Hon. A. J. Fergusson Blair, which took place at Ottawa last night. Beyond the simple announcement which Mr. Guthrie received to-day, we have no particulars regarding his death, but presume it was caused by an apoplectic stroke, or from heart disease. To-morrow we will give a sketch of the hon. gentleman's life.

THE SPEECH.

The Lieutenant Governor's speech to the Legislature on Saturday is sufficiently comprehensive to meet the approval of both parties whether in the House or throughout the Province. The reference made to the new political era on which we are entering, to the extension of self-government which is conferred on us by Confederation, and to the hope that we may use the privileges thus conferred on us wisely and well, are timely and well put. The acknowledgment that this extension of power is the result of patient and unwearying effort to secure a more direct control over our own local affairs than was attainable under the old constitution cannot but be pleasing to Reformers, when they recall the struggles of by-gone years, and now have the satisfaction of seeing their fondest hopes and desires realized.

One of the most important subjects touched on in the Speech is the encouragement of immigration and the occupation of the public lands of the Province. Under the old constitution, and with a legislative union between Upper and Lower Canada, it was impossible for this Province to secure anything like a comprehensive scheme of immigration, or to hold out such encouragement to emigrants as would induce them to settle on our wild lands. Lower Canada would consent to no scheme which might have a tendency to give Upper Canada the preponderance. Consequently our progress was retarded. Immigrants passed through the country to the States where every encouragement was held out to them to settle, and the Upper Province, though every year protesting against such an insane policy, was powerless to act so long as the influence of Lower Canada prevailed.

Thanks to Confederation we are relieved of all this now, and it will be the duty of the Government and the House to frame a liberal homestead law, and to adopt a system of free grants of land to actual settlers. Such an announcement in His Excellency's Speech must be especially acceptable to the Liberals of this Province. A liberal immigration law and free grants of land to actual settlers have long been chief planks in their platform, and the enactment of such measures were pointedly and earnestly recommended by the Reform Convention which met in Toronto in July last.

His Excellency makes reference to the peculiarity in our local constitution, which provides for only one legislative chamber. The exclusive right of framing laws is thus conferred on this body, and the hope is expressed that their moderation and wisdom in the discharge of their duties will justify the confidence reposed in them. With regard to the revenue and expenditure, it is intimated to the House that the amount at the credit of the Province is sufficiently large to justify the hope that it will prove adequate not only to the requirements of the Government, but to the present wants of the Province. The estimates for the year will soon be brought down, and the hope is expressed that the best means will be devised for husbanding our resources, without in any way crippling the public service, or putting any obstacle in the way of augmenting the public wealth. It is hoped that every encouragement will be given to individual enterprise by the incorporation of companies for trading and manufacturing purposes, but at the same time they are enjoined to protect the interests of the public from the consequences of rash or ill advised schemes.

The Speech closes with an expression of confidence in the zeal and fidelity of the members of the Legislature, and reminds them that while their labors will be confined to matters of a local character, they represent the most prominent and populous of the Provinces in the Dominion, and that on their prudence and sagacity will greatly depend the position it will attain, and the weight and influence it will secure in the Union. Lastly, it invokes the Divine blessing on their labours, and expresses the hope that their deliberations will be the means of securing peace and prosperity to this Province, to which all will heartily say, amen.

Before T. W. Saunders, Esq., Police Magistrate.
MONDAY 30th.—A den of infamy kept by Margaret Baker, on the Waterloo Road was broken up on Saturday night last by Chief Constable Kelly, assisted by constables Marriot, Jas. Nichols and Griffith, the inmates being all captured and brought up to goal. This morning the court was crowded. Margaret Baker as keeper of the house was first charged, and came limping out of the dock, apparently unconcerned at the proceedings. One witness after another was called to prove what the place had every appearance of being, and finally Jack Williams—who lays claim to being a sailor and demurs to being called John—dispelled all doubts, of which there were not many in existence, concerning the conduct of parties who resorted there, by telling what his eyes had seen within that vile, polluted nest. His Worship sentenced the defendant to imprisonment for three months, and hoped that punishment would exercise a beneficial effect upon her.

Thos. Mulvey, Mary Mulvey, Jane Lewis, Ellen Pearce, Mike Mulvey and Catharine Ogilby were charged by the Chief Constable, under the statute, with being habitual frequenters of this house of ill-fame. The first four pleaded guilty, but the charge had to be proved against the two last mentioned, which it was fully, and the six offenders were sent up for three months each. Mrs. Ogilby solicited herself by recollecting that the goal was a warm place.

Patrick Carroll, Wm. Carroll, John McGowan and Charles Pearce formed the next batch brought out. They were charged under the By-law with resorting to the above house. All pleaded guilty and adjudged to suffer as follows:—Pat. Carroll \$10 or 20 days imprisonment, Wm. Carroll \$3 or 10 days, Jno. McGowan \$5 or ten days, and Pearce \$3 or ten days. It was one of the most revolting spectacles of human depravity which any person of refined sensibilities could pray to have been spared the pain of looking on, as the unwashed, unkempt crowd stood before the bar, most of them manifesting the utmost indifference. When the punishment was pronounced one or two of the women dropped a tear, not it is to be feared for lost virtue, but at the dread of being for a time deprived of liberty.

Jack Williams was charged with assaulting Thomas Mulvey, but the latter refused to prosecute and so Williams went unscathed.

To the farmer, mechanic and laborer: Spend your hard earned money where you can get the most General Groceries for the holidays at the lowest prices. This is at Geo. Wilkinson's, Wyndham-st., Guelph.

Senior Girls' School.
The following is the list of pupils in the Senior Girls' School who have obtained the highest number of diligence marks, in their respective classes, during the past quarter:—

1st Grammar.—A. McLagan, B. Wilkie, P. Rowe, A. Sunley, A. Cooper. 2nd Grammar.—M. A. Wheatley, F. Heather, L. Johns, M. Tovell, L. Stevenson. 3rd Grammar.—S. Hayward, J. Galbraith, K. Findlay, M. A. McNeil, J. McCrae. 1st Geography.—A. McLagan, P. Rowe, A. Sunley, B. Wilkie, M. A. Hamilton. 2nd Geography.—A. Newby, M. A. Wheatley, S. J. Wilkinson, H. Maddock, M. Tovell. 3rd Geography.—J. Galbraith, M. A. McNeil, H. Bruce, K. Findlay, M. Hood. 1st Spelling.—B. Wilkie, P. Rowe, A. McLagan, A. Cooper, M. A. Wheatley. 2nd Spelling.—J. Galbraith, M. A. McNeil, S. Hayward, K. Findlay, H. Bruce. 1st Derivations.—A. McLagan, B. Wilkie, A. Sunley, P. Rowe, J. Collins. 2nd Derivations.—M. Tovell, M. A. Wheatley, S. J. Wilkinson, P. Emalie, S. Hayward. 1st Scripture History.—P. Rowe, B. Wilkie, A. McLagan, A. Sunley, M. A. Hamilton. 2nd Scripture History.—J. Tanner, K. Findlay, S. Hayward, H. Maddock, J. McCrae. Natural Philosophy.—P. Rowe, A. McLagan, B. Wilkie, M. A. Hamilton, A. Sunley. English History.—P. Rowe, A. McLagan, B. Wilkie, A. Sunley, A. Cooper. Fifth Book History.—A. McLagan, P. Rowe, B. Wilkie, J. Collins. A. Cooper. Fourth Book Reading.—S. Hayward, J. Galbraith, H. Maddock, J. Holden, J. Graffley, M. Armstrong. Magellan's Questions.—A. Cooper, L. Grenside. Modern History.—L. Grenside, A. Cooper. 1st French.—B. Wilkie, A. McLagan, A. Cooper, L. Grenside. 2nd French.—L. Stevenson, R. Cunningham, J. Graffley. Attendance.—A. McLagan, J. Collins, B. Wilkie, P. Rowe, M. A. Hamilton.

A magnificent assortment of Goods for New Year's Gifts in Electroplated Ware, Fine Cutlery, Coal Oil Lamps, Trays, Dyed-wool Mats, &c., at Horsman's, and to suit the public his store will in future remain open till seven o'clock each evening, and on Saturdays till nine.

WEST WARD ELECTION.—We trust that the electors of the West Ward will return Mr. George Howard by a large majority to the Council. We like to see our young business men of the town take an interest in public matters, and we are sure there is none among them all better qualified to represent the ratepayers at the Council Board than Mr. Howard. Since he has been a member of the Board of School Trustees he has shown an aptitude for public business which affords the best guarantee that if elected to serve for the West Ward, he will give a close and careful attention to all matters affecting the interests of the Ward and Town, and bring to the discharge of his duties a fair share of experience, a more than ordinary share of common sense, and an excellent judgment.

EAST WARD.—We are requested to state that a meeting of Mr. Allan's Committee, and others favourable to his election for the East Ward, will be held at O'Neil's Anglo-American Hotel, to night, at eight o'clock.

The run made on Mr. Horman's pure White Coal Oil, at 15c., is so great that he will in future keep open till 7 o'clock each evening, and on Saturday till 9 o'clock.

An Order in Council provides that in addition to the ports mentioned in the "Act respecting Customs," the following shall be continued as "warehousing ports" in Ontario, viz., Amherstburg, Bytown, Brantford, Chatham, Clifton, Darlington, Dover, Dunnville, Dundas, Guelph, Oakville, Oshawa, Paris, Picton, Queenston, Sarnia, Sault Ste. Marie, Stratford, Trenton, Whitby, Windsor and Woodstock.

ford Esposito, says a dreadful row took place in the East Ward, on the morning of Christmas day, and resulted in the stabbing of Peter McNeil, from the effects of which he is now lying in a very critical state. It seems his father, brother and himself have not been on the best of terms for some time past, and on Christmas morning an outbreak occurred. His father and brother pitched into Peter, and while the old man held him the other tried his best to kill him. They were all more or less cut and bruised, and the struggle was a terrible one. By the interference of persons living near the father and brother were prevented from carrying out their hellish designs, and they are now in goal to await the result of their brutality.

A new and attractive stock of China, Glasware and Crockery, suitable for holiday presents, at Geo. Wilkinson's.

STILTON CHEESE.—Ingersoll Factory Cheese at John A. Wood's.

The Paris Exhibition finances have been duly cooked up, and exhibit a favourable balance sheet. The sum of three million francs, or \$600,000 is the profit in the enterprise. The number of visitors contributing this surplus is found to have been eleven millions. The perplexity now is what to do with the money. A pleasant difficulty, truly, instead of having to deal with a deficiency.

For Almonds, Walnuts, Brazil Nuts, Filberts and choice Turkey Figs, go to Geo. Wilkinson's.

Mr. Horman has made arrangements with the Refiner and the Railway Company so that his supply of the now well-known White Coal Oil will be constant, and he will keep open till 7 each evening to accommodate customers.

New Advertisements.

Insolvent Act of 1864

In the matter of JAMES KIERAN, AN INSOLVENT.

A DIVISION SHEET has been prepared, subject to objection until the 30th December next. THOMAS SAUNDERS, Assignee, Guelph, 10th Dec. 1867. 1d1w

TAKE NOTICE.

ALL parties indebted to the undersigned will please call and settle the same on or before the First of January next, otherwise accounts will be handed over for collection. Call and SAVE COSTS.

JOHN TYSON, Butcher, Stall No. 2, Guelph, Guelph, Dec. 23, 1867. d4

Auction Sale!

CASTLE GARDEN SALOON! MARKET SQUARE, GUELPH, ONT.

W. S. G. KNOWLES is instructed to sell by public auction,

On Thursday, 2nd Jan, 1868, and following days, until the whole is disposed of, all the valuable

Household Furniture

Effects and Stock-in-Trade of the Castle Garden Saloon, Market Square, Guelph, comprising Centre, Dining, Breakfast and Toilet Tables, Hair-seated and Damask-seated Chairs and Sofas, Carpets, Mirrors, Damask Curtains, Bedsteads and Bedding in great variety, Washstands, Toilet Sets, Cutlery, Glassware, Delft, China, Electroplated Ware, Engravings and Oil Paintings, Coal Stoves, Wood Stoves, Cooking Stoves, Bar-room Furniture, Kitchen Furniture, together with all the unsold

WINES AND LIQUORS,

which are of the very best description.

Terms Cash. - - No Reserve. Sale to commence each day at 11 o'clock.

W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer, Guelph, 28th Dec., 1867. dtd

PHOTOGRAPHS!

W. MARSHALL

HAS no time to write a long advertisement yet, but has succeeded in securing

A FIRST-CLASS ASSISTANT

Operator and Positionist

from some of the best rooms in the Dominion, and I think shall be able to give good satisfaction to all who want good Likenesses. Every style of work done at Marshall's.

Large Photographs!

Small Photographs, Carte de Visites, Imperial Cards, Pictures on Porcelain, Copying, Views, &c.

WM. MARSHALL, Artist, Day's Block, Guelph, 28th Dec., 1867. dw

Division Court Sittings, COUNTY OF WELLINGTON.

THE Division Courts for the County of Wellington will be held as follows:—
Orangeville, Feb. 4, April 14, June 30, 1868
Erin, 5 15 July 1 "
Guelph, 7 17 3 "
Elora, 13 23 21 "
Arthur, 19 29 28 "
Mount Forest, 20 30 28 "
Fergus, 21 May 1 24 "
Rockwood, 25 12 Aug. 5 "
Puncheon, 26 18 5 "
Drayton, March 3 26 18 "
Harrison, 4 27 19 "
Glennan, 5 23 20 "
By order,
ALFRED A. BAKER, Clerk No. 1, Guelph, 28th Dec., 1867.

NEW Oyster Rooms

Valentine Wald

BEGS to announce to the public that he has fitted up Oyster Rooms in connection with his Hotel, on

MACDONNELL STREET.

The very best of Liquors, and choicest Cigars will always be kept. The Rooms are under the superintendence of Mr. E. McCrae, whose courteous attention, as well as his thorough knowledge of the business, will insure satisfaction in all cases.

The very Best of Oysters

always on hand, and served up in all styles at short notice.

TOM and JERRY, and all kinds of Fancy Drinks prepared in the most approved manner. Guelph, 27th December, 1867. dwtm

GREAT SALE BY AUCTION.

GREAT SALE BY AUCTION OF THE

GROCERIES!

Saved from the Fire at the Alma Block, on FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, The 27th and 28th Instant.

All to be Sold in Lots to suit Purchasers, Without Reserve.

ON FRIDAY—THE UNBROKEN PACKAGES will be offered to the Trade, together with all the Goods bought at the time of the fire and in transit. TERMS LIBERAL.

ON SATURDAY—The balance will be PUT UP IN LOTS FOR FAMILY USE.

The Goods can be seen during the week at the Warehouse of Messrs. ROBINS & TOLTON, near the Grand Trunk Passenger Station.

J. MASSIE & CO. Guelph 16th Dec. 1867. daw

CHRISTMAS.

THE subscriber, though unfortunately left to battle alone with the trade of Upper Wyndham Street, begs to assure the public that he is determined not to surrender, but will, as usual, keep a full supply.

GENERAL GROCERIES!

Wines and Liquors, Crockery, China and Glassware,

which he will sell as cheap as any house in the town.

Teas, Coffees, Sugars, Tobaccos.

Good Green and Black Teas from 50c. per lb., Green and Ground Coffees SUGARS—Muscovado, Loaf, Ground and Crushed. First class Chewing and Smoking Tobaccos.

Fruits and Sauces for Christmas & New Year

ALL TO GO OFF CHEAP.

WINES AND LIQUORS

will be sold as low as the Tariff and Excise Laws of the Dominion will permit. Always good value for your money on Upper Wyndham Street.

Guelph, 21st December, 1867. JAMES MURPHY. d4wly

CHRISTMAS BOXES.

WE WOULD INVITE THOSE ABOUT TO PURCHASE

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

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

D. SAVAGE. Guelph, December 14, 1867. dw

New Saddlery Shop

Do you want a set of Harness, double or single, light or heavy, call at the new shop, next door to Coffee's Hotel.

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

Everybody in want of a good Trunk, Valise, or Travelling Bag, can be supplied at the new shop, two doors from the Post Office.

WHIPS, Horse Covers, Sleigh Belts

A very large and well-assorted stock of Whips will be sold at 25c. on the dollar of our former low prices, 50 yards north of St. George's Church.

We have a few pairs of imported made up Horse Covers, made to order, also a nice lot of common blankets.

What is more cheering than the merry Sleigh Bells? We can supply you. Call at the new shop, next door to Mr. Hoover's Livery Office.

We have on hand all kinds of articles, and will make up on the shortest notice anything you want in the Saddlery line, a few doors South of the Registry Office.

Brushes, Combs, Spurs, Bits, in endless variety. REPAIRING done as usual.

In consequence of the present premises being too small for our large stock, we will for a short time have to sell at a reduced price, to keep our present staff employed or workmen.

SMITH & METCALF, Late occupiers of the premises destroyed by fire adjoining the Alma Block. Guelph, 26th December, 1867. dwtf

Queen's Book

85 Cents.

NEW supply of the Queen's Book. Price 85c.

At DAY'S BOOKSTORE,

Opposite the Market. Guelph, 21st Dec. 1867. dw

STORE TO LET.

A STORE to let on Wyndham Street. Apply to MRS. CORBET. Guelph, Dec. 24th. 1867. (d4t)

FIRST APPEARANCE

OF THE

Guelph Amateur

DRAMATIC CLUB!

THE above Club will make their first appearance in the

TOWN HALL,

ON

Monday Evening, Dec. 30th

On which occasion will be produced for the first time here George Almar's celebrated Drama, in two acts, entitled

"The Charcoal Burner," or "The Dropping Well of Knareboro."

To conclude with an amusing afterpiece by all the members of the Club. For particulars see programme. Admission 25 cents; Reserved seats 50 cents. For sale at the Book and Drug Stores, and also by the Members of the Club.

MR. VALE, Leader of Orchestra. MORRIS ARMOUR, Manager. Guelph, 14th December, 1867. dtd

MEDICAL HALL,

GUELPH.

ESSENCE OF

RONDELETIA!

AN ELEGANT PERFUME

for the Handkerchief and Toilet.

Prepared by Breidenbach,

Perfumer and Distiller of Flowers to Her Majesty.

N. HIGINBOTHAM. Guelph, 24th Dec. 1867. dw

HENRY MULHOLLAND!

THE OFFICE

of Henry Mulholland is removed temporarily

to the

READING ROOM OF

ELLIS' HOTEL

Nearly Opposite the Old Stand.

Guelph, 17th December, 1867. dw

Santa Claus' HEADQUARTERS.

IF YOU WANT TO BUY

Christmas Presents,

And New Year's Gifts,

that will be appreciated, you should call and see my Stock, which is the largest and most varied ever opened out in Guelph, including a large assortment of specialties

FRENCH GOODS

DIRECT FROM PARIS.

Do not intend advertising my CAKES and CONFECTIONERY as from the rapid manner in which they are moving off I find they are very extensively known without it.

Platt & Co's celebrated Oysters arriving daily. Oysters in Shell and Count Oysters shortly expected.

H. BERRY. Guelph, 20th December, 1867. dw

ROCKWOOD

Commercial, Mathematical, and Classical

ACADEMY.

THE THIRTIETH ANNUAL SESSION COMMENCES ON THE SIXTH JANUARY, 1868.

THIS long established and popular Institution offers special advantages to old and young. Its rural situation affords a degree of freedom from temptation seldom attained without undue restraint, while the comprehensiveness of the curriculum meets the wants of all classes of advanced students, comprising a classical course for those preparing for the University or the professions.—A thorough English and Mathematical Course, especially adapted to the wants of first-class teachers and the general student. A complete Commercial Course, including not only those branches requisite to the mere accountant, but also others indispensable to the intelligent and business man.

Regular Instructions in Plain and Oratorical Penmanship and Vocal Music.

Terms in advance—\$80 per quarter of 2 1/2 months; Classics, \$10. per annum extra; Reading Room and incidental, \$1 per quarter.

The most respectable references given if required. Send for a circular.

McCAIG & McHILLAN, Rockwood, 27th Dec. 1867. dw

THE RED MILL

THE subscriber having put a steam engine in the Mill, farmers bringing in their Grists can rely on having them ground the same day.

Chopping done every day.

FLOUR AND FEED

FOR SALE AT THE MILL.

GROUND PLASTER for sale at the Mill, and also at his Old Stand, near the Railway Crossing. GEORGE BALKWILL. Guelph 19th December, 1867. dwtm

Private Boarding.

EXCELLENT accommodation and comfortable boarding can be had for five or six gentlemen. The house is only three minutes' walk from the Market House. Apply to

WM. DYSON'S, sr., Waterloo-st. Guelph, 27th Nov. 1867. d4w

RETIRING FROM BUSINESS!

TREMENDOUS CLEARING SALE OF THE LARGE STOCK OF DRY GOODS, MILLINERY, READY-MADE CLOTHING, &C., BELONGING TO HOGG & CHANCE, GUELPH.

The Co-partnership Dissolved! Mr. HOGG retires from the Business!

The Stock to be Cleared Off at Cost Prices, commencing on Monday, the 9th of December.

GREAT BARGAINS! Families ought to take advantage of this rare opportunity of laying in their Winter supplies at once, as this Stock is very large and complete in every Department. **Actual Cost Prices** will be asked for all the Goods, and no second price or bantering. **Store will be open at 9 o'clock in the morning, and close at 6 o'clock in the evening during the sale. All Goods will be sold for Cash only.**

Guelph, 30th November, 1867.

dw-1m

HOGG & CHANCE.

GO TO CUTHBERT'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR.

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A Merry Christmas

AND A

HAPPY NEW YEAR

TO ALL.

GO TO CUTHBERT'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR.

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LOOK OUT For No. 1.

WILKINSON'S

BY going to WILKINSON'S for

XXX OYSTERS

They are admitted by customers to be the best, largest and cheapest in Guelph.

FINNAN HADDIES

If you want real Finnan Haddies, fresh Cod Fish, fresh Haddock and Yarmouth Blenders, Go to **GEO. WILKINSON'S.**

SEALED GOODS!

FOR hermetically Sealed Goods, consisting of Strawberries, Lawton Blackberries, Peaches, Cherries, Tomatoes, Green Peas, Lobsters and Sardines, go to **GEO. WILKINSON'S.**

FRUIT, FRUIT

BUY your Fruit at Wilkinson's, and save 20 per cent. To convince you of this fact, below are quotations.

10 pounds Layer Raisins for	-\$1
10 " Seedless Raisins	.. 1
12 " French Prunes	.. 1
20 " Currants	.. 1

GEORGE WILKINSON.
Next door to Telegraph and Express Office.
Guelph, Dec. 9, 1867. daw-1f

NO. 40. GREAT CLEARING SALE!

FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR.

Canada CLOTHING Store

N. CROFT

WILL POSITIVELY SELL OFF HIS ENTIRE STOCK OF Ready-made Clothing, Hats, Caps, Underclothing, &c.

At Prime Cost for Cash only.

NO SECOND PRICES. Call early and secure some of the Bargains, as the whole Stock must be sold. **THIS IS NO HUMBUG.**

N. CROFT,
Canada Clothing Store, Wyndham Street, Guelph.
Guelph, Dec. 10th, 1867.

CROWDED TO EXCESS.

THE Great Clearing Sale continues to attract an immense number of customers anxious to participate in the

Extraordinary Bargains

being offered. The store is daily crowded to excess, and an immense quantity of Goods have been sold to the entire satisfaction of the purchasers. The scarcity of this sale, when compared with "other sales," will never be questioned by the most sceptical. **CALL AT ONCE.**

Guelph, 20th Dec., 1867. **A. O. BUCHAM.**

NEW FRUITS

The most complete,
The most choice,
The most select,
The Best and Cheapest

22 lbs. New Currants for . . \$1
11 lbs. New Valencia Raisins
10 lbs. New Seedless Raisins
8 lbs. New London Layer do.
Orange and Lemon Peel, 30c.

FILBERTS!

Brazil Nuts, Walnuts,
Almonds, shelled or unshelled,
Figs, Prunes,
Dried Cherries and Cranberries
Oranges, Lemons,
Dried and Green Apples,

Canned Fruits and
Vegetables
of every description.

HUGH WALKER,
Wholesale and Retail Fruit Dealer,
WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.
Guelph, 15th December, 1867. dw

Medical Dispensary

JUST received at the Medical Dispensary, a large supply of

Tooth, Nail and Hair Brushes,
TOILET SOAPS, &c.

Also, the largest and best assorted stock of English and French **PERFUMERY** in town.

COAL OIL
of the best quality always on hand.

E. HARVEY
Opposite the English Church, Wyndham-st.,
Guelph, Ontario.
Guelph, 11th Dec. 1867. dw

BERKSHIRE BOAR.

THE subscriber has newly purchased a first-class pure-bred Berkshire Boar, which will serve sows during the season. **Terms \$1.**

ALLAN SIMPSON, Blacksmith,
Guelph, 22d Dec. 1867. dw-d

GREAT CLEARING SALE

The Great Clearing Sale of

DRY GOODS!

IS STILL GOING ON AT

WM. STEWART'S,

Guelph, 11th December, 1867. dw

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

GREAT REDUCTION IN PRICE

AMERICAN WATCH

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

Cheapest Watches in the World.

The Watches are of all grades, from the finest Gold Watch made, adapted to any climate from the Tropics to the Poles, at a price in suit the wealthy connoisseur or for presentation, to the Cheap Silver Lever, strong and serviceable, regulated to minutes, suitable to the Mechanic and Farmer, and quite as low in price as any moderate quality Swiss Watch. Our grades of **Extra Heavy Cased Watches** for Railway Engineers and Lumbermen deserve particular attention in Canada, as nothing can equal them for the purpose. Our leading Watches in 18 **Carets Gold Cases** for Ladies and Private Gentlemen, at medium prices, will also be found very desirable.

We are frequently asked why we don't advertise prices. We reply that as we only supply the trade and as our Watches are now kept by most respectable houses, the public can rely on being served at a fair advance on the Manufacturer's List. Our trade marks are **AMERICAN WATCH CO., APPLETON TRACY & CO., WALTHAM WATCH CO., P. S. BARTLETT, WM. ELLERY, HOME WATCH CO.** Guaranteed in all cases by special certificate (except the HOME CO., which is warranted by the seller. The purchaser should always require the guarantee, as there are Swiss counterfeits for sale in some places.

ROBBINS & APPLETON, New York, } General Agents.
ROBERT WILKES, Toronto and Montreal. }
D. SAVAGE, Agent, Guelph.
December 10th, 1867. dw

Dominion Store!
(Late Post Office Store.)

MRS. ROBINSON
HAS on hand a varied stock of **GENERAL GROCERIES** for **Christmas & New Year** consisting of Almonds, Brazil Filberts.

NEW FRUIT!

Figs, Dates, Raisins, Lemons at 25c per dozen.

Don't forget the stand, next to the Wellington Hotel, where you can get the best and cheapest lot of **Fancy Goods** in Guelph.

Upper Wyndham Street, Guelph.
Guelph, Dec. 17th, 1867. daw

MRS. HUNTER'S FANCY STORE,
West Market Square.

JUST received, a large lot of **FANCY GOODS**, all kinds, suitable for **PRESENTS** for

Christmas & New Year's

She has the **LARGEST** and **BEST ASSORTMENT** in town of

Berlin & Fancy Wools

Stamping for Braiding and Embroidery.
MRS. HUNTER.
Guelph, 11th Dec., 1867. dw

FURS, FURS, FURS.

WE have opened our stock of **FURS**, four own manufacture, which we will sell at **LOW PRICES**, viz:

Extra Dark Mink,
Royal Ermine,
Siberian Squirrel,
River Mink,
Ladies' Hoods,

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

F. GARLAND,
Market Square, Guelph.
The Highest Price paid for Raw Furs
Guelph, Oct. 31, 1867. 551 WTB

MONTREAL BOOT AND SHOE EMPORIUM.

New Goods **Low Prices**

CLEAR THE TRACK
BOOTS AND SHOES.

SKATING BOOTS!

JUST RECEIVED a large lot of Ladies' Skating Boots. An early call is solicited. **REDUCTION IN PRICES.** Ladies' Skating and Walking Balmorals from \$1.25 to \$3. Ladies' Plannel United Gaiters from \$1.12 to \$2.50. Men's Thick Boots from \$2 to \$3. An immense stock of Ladies, Gents, Misses and Children's Felt Balmorals, Gaiters and Overshoes, at prices that cannot fail to give satisfaction. Home manufactured Goods always on hand. All work warranted. **TERMS CASH.**

REMEMBER McLAREN'S OLD STAND.
JOHN McNEILL,
Montreal Boot and Shoe Emporium, Wyndham-st., Guelph, Ontario
Guelph, 14th December, 1867. dw

JOHN HARRIS,
CONFECTIONER, and
BISCUIT Manufacturer.

Wholesale and Retail!

MY Goods are all made of the best material, and under my own supervision, and having no rent to pay, am prepared to offer to

Wholesale Purchasers

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

JOHN HARRIS,
Market Square, Guelph.
Guelph, 7th Dec., 1867. dw-2m

HAY IN TRUSSES
Constantly on hand. Also Straw for beds
TERMS CASH.
JOHN WEST,
Guelph, July 22. daw-1f

Wool, Hide and Leather
DEPOT.
No. 4, Day's Old Block, Gordon Street.
Guelph, July 21, 1867. dw D. MOLTON

THE BARCLAY SEWING MACHINE.

WITHOUT any exceptions, the Barclay Sewing Machine, Manufactured by the British American Sewing Machine Company,

AT PARIS, ONTARIO,

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Guelph, Nov. 21, 1867. dw

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Guelph, 12th December, 1867. dw

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MONDAY EVENING, DEC. 30, 1867.

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

A Tale of the Covenanters.

The gentle night-breeze blew upon his face, laden with the October fragrance of the yew and he heard the rustling of the bushes without and the noise made by the stream flowing over the rocks beneath. Casting his glance upward, he could also in a short time discern the top of the opposite ascent, and the sky full of stars gleaming above.

The iron bars being too close to let even his head pass between, he shook them to try their strength, when to his surprise they separated from their sockets, and with but little effort he pulled them out. Passing these within to Andrew, who stood behind, he passed his head and shoulders through the cleared aperture to take observations.

"Dinna be owre venturesome, Maister Walter," remonstrated Andrew, as he saw him crawling forward. "There's nae doot it's the Clench that's out there, and if ye owre balance yersel'—Gracious poovers, ye wull dae it!" he hastily added, in great alarm, as he saw his master's body gradually disappearing.

No attention was given by the latter to the anxious remonstrance, but the body of the young laird continued gradually to disappear. "Na, then, I see 'e'en haud on ye!" exclaimed Andrew, as he resolutely grasped his master's legs, and planted his own feet firmly against the wall in such a way that it was impossible that either could emerge further.

Walter felt the grasp, understood it, and smiled at Andrew's precaution. At the same time he had no intention of pushing himself further over, for he had discovered all that he wanted to know. As he had surmised, they were underneath the west wing of the building, and at the very foundation of it, consequently there could be no lower chambers; and if there was any truth about Andrew's dim impression concerning a well, this well must be in their present vicinity.

Withdrawing his body from the aperture, with a suddenness which laid Andrew prostrate on the floor of the dungeon, Walter resumed his lamp, and Andrew, gathering himself up, did the same, when they carefully sought about for the mouth of the well, and in their search passed through a gap of broken masonry into a larger and loftier chamber than any they had come upon under ground. It was so large, indeed, that the light of their lamps failed to show them its full dimensions, and it was only by going round it that they got an idea of its dimensions.

Along one side of it were openings to other cells or dungeons, and in one of the latter they came upon a circular cavity with a wooden frame above it, supporting a beam, round which a mouldering rope was coiled, while an iron handle was fixed into one end of the cross-beam.

Here undoubtedly was the well, with the rude form of a windlass attached, which had formerly been employed for drawing water or for a kindred purpose.

Walter bent over the cavity, and held his lamp down into the black gulf, but could see no bottom. The well seemed of great depth, and to be dug through a layer of soft sandstone. A low ledge of masonry ran round its brink, and plucking a small stone from thence, he dropped it down. They listened breathlessly, and heard it strike once or twice against the side, and at last plunge with a hollow sound into water, far, far beneath.

"There can be nae hiding-place there, at onyrate," remarked Andrew. "Preserve us! what a deepness the waul maun be!"

"But don't you observe what a current of air comes up?" observed Walter. "I feel it quite plainly on my face; and see how it makes the lamp flicker."

"That's the suction of the shaft," quoth Andrew stroking his chin very wisely. "But Walter was not satisfied with this explanation; for not only was the air strong enough to be called a current, it was also fresh, as if a direct importation from the outer atmosphere. He was, therefore, resolved to make a closer examination, and for this purpose he took a piece of stout string from his pocket, and, fixing it to his lamp, swung the latter slowly down the well, watching the sides closely as it descended. At the depth of twenty feet, so the current of air grew so strong as almost to blow the lamp out, and presently its light shone upon an opening in the side equal to about half the diameter of the shaft.

"As I thought," cried Walter triumphantly. "There is the hiding-place!"

"Mercy me, doon there," exclaimed Andrew. "It's no possible. How could onybody get into that place!"

"I will soon show you, for I mean to get into it myself," rejoined Walter. "I feel it quickly drew up the light."

He looked at the wooden frame erected above the well, and found it strong in every thing but the rope, which had become rotten. "Wait here till I go up for a rope to fasten the ladders," he hurriedly added; and before his listener had time to offer any objection he was off, carrying the lamp with him, and Andrew was left alone in that eerie underground chamber.

CHAPTER III.—UNDERGROUND ADVENTURES.
When Andrew was thus left alone in that solitary underground chamber, he began to feel rather queer, and listened with increasing disquietude to the echoing footsteps of his master as they receded along the intricate passages, becoming fainter and fainter in the distance, and finally ceasing to be heard at all.

Nothing like fear had come upon him till then, for so long as he had the brave, courageous youth by his side, it never struck him that the place was either lonely or dangerous. But no sooner was he left amid the silence and darkness than his heart began to beat faster than its wont, his ear became unpleasantly conscious of the silence that reigned around, and his eye set itself to penetrate furtively the intense darkness which the dim light of his lamp rendered only the more profound.

lowed the lamp, and lay prostrate on the ground, expecting to be seized in the grasp of the unscrupulous villain, whom he had no doubt was the Devil.

He was there helplessly at his mercy. He could not make his escape, and had neither power nor courage to defend himself.

"Lord help me, if I could only mind a prayer!" he thought to himself, but though he was no neglecter of devotion, his thoughts were at the moment so paralysed by terror, that he could not frame one sentence, but lay groaning and sweating in very agony.

The moments passed, and the talons of the Evil One did not fasten on him. This gave him sufficient courage to raise his head, and gradually to open his eyes, when he expected to find the chamber illuminated by some red lurid light, but all was dark as before, and he began to indulge in the hope that the Devil had fled, when his wandering gaze again encountered the two large round fiery eyes glaring fiercely upon him.

"Oh Lord! Oh Lord! there he is yet!" ejaculated Andrew, with increased terror. The eyes winked at him and opened again immediately, and to his inflamed imagination they seemed approaching to where he lay. He even thought he felt volumes of hot sulphurous breath upon his face, and expected every instant to be in the grasp of the fiend, holding out his hands at the same time in instinctive but hopeless self-defence.

COMMERCIAL.

Guelph Markets.
MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH. December 30, 1867.

Flour, per 100 lbs.	\$3 75	4 00
Fall Wheat per bushel.	1 45	1 50
Spring Wheat.....	1 48	1 50
Oats do	0 45	0 46
Peas do	0 60	0 65
Barley do	0 60	0 65
Hay, per ton	12 00	14 00
Straw	4 00	5 00
Shingles per square	1 10	1 20
Wood per cord	3 00	3 50
Wool.....	0 27	0 20
Eggs, per dozen	0 14	0 15
Butter (Irish) per lb	0 14	0 15
Cheese, each	0 25	0 35
Turkeys do	0 50	0 60
Chickens per pair	0 25	0 30
Ducks do	0 20	0 30
Potatoes.....	0 50	0 55
Apples per bushel	0 08	0 08
Lamb per lb	0 06	0 07
Beef.....	0 08	0 09
Pork, per lb	0 05	0 06
Pork per 100 lbs	4 50	5 00
Sheep Pelts each	0 30	0 40
Lamb skins	0 40	0 40
Hides per 100 lbs	6 00	6 00

Money Market.
JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE. Guelph, December 30, 1867.

Gold, 133.
Greenbacks bought at 74 to 74 1/2; sold at 74 to 75.
Silver bought at 44 to 45; sold at 44 to 45.
Upper Canada Bank Bills bought at 50c. to 55c.
Commercial Bank Bills bought at 50c to 55c.

MONTREAL MARKETS.
Kirkwood, Livingstone & Co's report by Special Telegraph to "Evening Mercury."

MONTEAL, December 30, 1867.
Flour—Fancy, \$7 50 to \$7 60; Superfine No. 1, \$7 20 to \$7 35; Welland Canal, \$7 25. Bag Flour, \$3 55 to \$3 65. Oats 42 c to 43c. Barley 85c to 90c. Butter—dairy 16c to 19c; store packed 14c to 15c. Ashes—Foss 45 to 55; pears 35 to 45.

TORONTO, December 28, 1867.
Flour—Receipts, 100 bbls; No. 1, at \$6 75—Wheat—\$1 50; Peas—72c. Oats—55c to 55c. Barley—82c to 81c.

HAMILTON, December 28 1867.
Fall wheat—\$1 50 @ \$1 55, spring do—\$1 45 @ \$1 50 per bushel. Barley—\$1 @ \$1 25. Oats—53c to 54c. Peas—73c @ 75c.

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