

The circulation of the Daily and Weekly MERCURY is MORE THAN DOUBLE that of any paper published in Guelph or west of Toronto.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

In Iowa there are 114 working Masonic lodges and 9764 members.

Ladies are to be admitted to Cornell University, New York, next fall.

A capital title for a sensational history of Legislative life in Toronto would be "The Saint of Cornwall and the Martyr of Nine."

A watchmaker in Rochester has just finished a watch movement which will run eight days without winding.

George Young, a young man in the county of Bruce, near the Kincardine line, had his leg broken while wrestling in sport with a companion a few days ago.

The Bruce Review says there was, in the village of Kincardine, a large number of heavy drunks, several fights, two or three runaways, all caused by 'Mountain dew.'

A paragraph, credited to the Hamilton Times, and which has been going the rounds, avers that A. P. Macdonald, M. P., can't spell. The Leader is indignant, and says he can spell.

A negro, as black as coal, is practising law in Nashville with success. He was a citizen of Illinois, but went to Tennessee because he could not enter into his profession in the former State.

The vigilance of a certain blue coated detective in London, Ont., surely entitles him to promotion. A night or two ago he saw "wid his tattion," a young swell, who was rolling home from a convivial party, "leap up and put a lamp-post out!"

An agricultural contemporary says that butter should not be kept in the same place as petroleum, because the latter will spoil the butter. This is hardly fair on the kerosene, as most of the butter sold now-a-days is strong enough to spoil the petroleum first, and turn it out of the place afterwards.

On Sunday morning the Pullman sleeping car Kansas City, on the Great Western Railway, left the track near Longwood Station, rolled down an embankment, turned over, took fire, and was entirely destroyed.

The fourth generation.—There is an old lady named Young, residing on the 3rd line west, Chinguacousy, who has seen the fourth generation. She is 83 years old, and has resided in this township forty-five years; she has had 15 children, 11 being living; 96 grand-children, 83 living; 59 great grand children, 50 living; 2 great-great grand-children living.

A gentlemanly beggar in Philadelphia sends up his card to ladies, and is ushered into the parlor. After arranging their toilets to meet some one whose name they failed to recognize, but who is undoubtedly some casual acquaintance, the ladies meet him, shake hands, and, after a few moments' conversation, are requested to buy some soap or stationery and listen to a melancholy story.

A bold robbery was committed a few weeks ago, near Norval, Mich., upon Dr. Alex. Ross Matheson, by two men, who pulled him off his horse, and in the struggle to get his watch, stabbed and beat him until he was left for dead. The doctor was formerly a teacher in the neighbourhood of Milton, where his relatives reside. Recent accounts state that he has recovered from his injuries.

The Chicago Tribune has the following from its Washington correspondent:—There is a social evil reviving about the Capitol which it is time to rebuke. Long files of cyprians are in the habit of rendezvousing there and parading between the House and the Senate, and in the lobbies thereof, calling out members, making assignments for the future and loans for the past, and so completely signaling the place, that it is at her peril that a good woman walks alone in the Capitol.

New Orleans, unlike any other great city in the world, is surrounded by wild animals. Deer are shot within five miles of the City Hall, and alligators abound in neighbouring swamps. Old residents, indeed, remember when young alligators were caught in the street gutters. The last news is that an American spotted in a parish not far from the city. This tiger has completely devoured a girl animal, it is said, are increasing in that part of Louisiana.

TOWN ITEMS.

The original Nicodemus Johnson will appear in the Town Hall this evening. If you want to enjoy a good laugh go and hear him. He is undoubtedly the prince of minstrelsy.

We have been requested to insert the following:—The "Member of the Congregation" who addressed to the undersigned a communication which is much appreciated, is kindly invited to a private interview. FINLOW ALEXANDER.

ARRIVED.—The famous Cool Burgess and his troupe of performers have arrived in town, and will hold forth in the Town Hall this evening. We anticipate a crowded house to witness the performances of the company. A first-class brass band accompanies them.

THE BURNETT TROUPE.—This celebrated troupe of eccentric delineators made their first appearance in Guelph last (Monday) night. The audience, tho' not very large, was a most appreciative one, and testified their pleasure by repeated applause. Mr. Burnett, who is famed as an elocutionist, opened the proceedings by some racy remarks on poetry as an art; after which he recited "New Year's Eve," by Cora Eager, with good effect—at once stamping himself as an elocutionist of great ability. Also in "Simon Caudle," assisted by Miss Nash as "Mrs. Caudle," he was inimitable. Mr. Sharpley's solos on the concertina, and Miss Nash's recitation—"We meet upon the level and part upon the square"—a masonic ode by George P. Morris, were well received. Mr. Burnett's rapid changes—appearing in seven different characters—were really astonishing, and indeed the whole performance was of such a varied character, that when the troupe again appear in Guelph, which will be in the course of a few weeks, we trust a much larger house will greet them, as they are the best performers of their kind that ever visited this town.

Curlers' Meeting.

A meeting of the Curlers took place in the Secretary's office, Town Hall buildings, pursuant to advertisement, last (Monday) evening, when the following resolutions were carried, Mr. A. Armstrong in the chair. Moved by Mr. Jas. Dobbie, seconded by Mr. A. Robertson, jr., that Mr. Thos. McCrea be President. Moved by Mr. C. Davidson, seconded by Mr. J. Anderson, that Mr. D. Kennedy be Vice-President. Moved by Mr. A. Congleton, seconded by Mr. D. Kennedy, that Mr. Chas. Davidson be Secretary and Treasurer. Moved by Mr. D. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. J. Anderson, that the following gentlemen, with the President, Vice-President, and Secretary be a committee of management, viz.: Messrs. T. Dobbie, A. Robertson, sr., Jas. Dobbie, R. Galbraith, D. McCrea, and A. Congleton. Moved by Mr. Thos. Dobbie, seconded by Mr. R. Galbraith, that the President be instructed by the committee to purchase the necessary quantity of lumber, shingles, and posts, as may be required to build the covered rink, and fence in the lots, on the best terms he can make. Moved by Mr. J. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Jas. Dobbie, that the Secretary procure a receipt book for the curlers to give a receipt of cash on account of stock.

THE FUTURE OF THE RITUALISTS.

The following concluding paragraph is contained in a circular just issued by the Rev. J. Going, incumbent of St. Paul's, Walworth, to his congregation, inviting their aid to clear off the existing liabilities on account of church expenses and the schools: "At this time, when Catholics are attacked on all sides by their enemies, they need the vigorous help and co-operation of their friends. We have nothing to fear as long as we are firm and faithful to each other and to the church; and that (God helping us) we will always be. We will not make a schism on the one hand, or sever the bonds on the other, as our enemies invite us to do—they care not which; but will live for, and if need be, die for that branch of the Catholic church into which our Lord called us at our baptism; and in which for so many years He has led us with His body and blood."

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

COULSON HOUSE, GUELPH, March 2, 1869. The following are the arrivals at the Coulson House up to 10:30 this morning: Burnett Troupe—Alfred Burnett, Cincinnati; Miss Helen Nash, Cincinnati; Alfred Burnett, jr., Cincinnati; Thomas Keiner, England; J. W. Sharpley, Canada; J. N. Hall, Montreal; J. H. Dolmage, Clifford; A. McGregor, Stratford; W. J. Ramsay & Son, Montreal; Wm. Rowan, Montreal; G. Combs, St. Catharines; T. H. Polhaman, Canandaigua, N. Y.; John Bain, jr., Elora; B. Michael, Optician, Boston, Mass.; John James, Merrickville; Mr. Kirkwood, Buffalo; Charles A. Coleman, Buffalo; Joseph A. Banks, Buffalo.

New Advertisements.

SERVANT GIRL WANTED.—Wanted a good general servant. Wages liberal to a suitable person. Apply between the hours of 10 a. m. and 2 p. m., to MRS. JOHN A. WOOD, Woolwich Street. Guelph, March 2. do if

MEDICAL CO-PARTNERSHIP.—We the undersigned have entered into partnership for the practice of the Medical Profession. JOHN HOWITT, M. D., M.R.C.S. T. A. KEATING, M. D., M.R.C.S. Guelph, Feb. 25. do if

BILLIARDS.—GREAT EXCITEMENT. Billiard Hall Re-located. New Style Tables. Exhibition Twice a Week. AT O'CONNOR'S BILLIARD HALL. Guelph, 23rd February. do if

BOYS WANTED.—Four steady boys wanted to sell the EVENING MERCURY. Apply at this office. Guelph, Feb. 25. do if

FACTORY FOR SALE OR LEASE.—A good Factory for sale or to let. Apply to S. BOLLT, Quebec-st., Guelph. Guelph, Novem. 19, 1868. do if

TOWN HALL, GUELPH

THE GREAT COOL BURGESS

MINSTRELS AND BRASS BAND.

Positively for One Night Only

TUESDAY, MARCH 2.

Admission Twenty-five Cents. Reserved Seats Forty Cents. JOE CHENET, Agent. COOL BURGESS, Manager and Proprietor. Guelph, 23rd Feb.

A LECTURE

ON THE History of the Language, the Druids, their Colleges, the Harp, the Highland Pipes, the Irish Bagg-pipes, and other Musical Instruments of Ireland and Scotland.

IN THE TOWN HALL, GUELPH On the evening of THURSDAY, THE 4th of MARCH, 1869.

BY MARTIN A. O'BRENNAN, LL.D.

The learned and famous author of O'Brennan's Antiquities, Irish Grammar, and other Works. Tickets, 25c. Reserved Seats, 50c.

Tickets to be had of the Committee, and at the door. Doors open at half-past 7 o'clock. Lecture at 8. March 1. do if

MEDICAL HALL, GUELPH,



TOILET PREPARATIONS

ORIENTAL ROSE

HAIR GLOSS

Delicately fragrant, and unsurpassed for strengthening, cleansing and beautifying the hair. In bottles at 25 cents. Prepared only by E. HARVEY & CO.

Crystalline Pomade, Marrow Pomade, Cold Cream, Rose Tooth Paste, Eau de Fleurs d'Oranger, Eau de Rose, Eau de Cologne, Violet Powder, Labdanum, French Perfumery.

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Dispensing and Family Groceries.

GRAND CONCERT.

Complimentary to MISS JENNIE FRASER

A grand Complimentary Concert to Miss Jennie Fraser, under the patronage of the Lieutenant-Colonel and Officers of the 30th Battalion, will be given in the Town Hall, Guelph, On Thursday Ev'g, 11th March. Artists of the highest distinction have kindly offered their services. Tickets Twenty-five Cents. Guelph, 25th February. do

SALT, SALT

200 Bags Coarse Liverpool SALT, 100 Bags Fine Liverpool SALT, 500 Barrels American SALT. At JOHN A. WOOD'S. Guelph, Feb. 19. do

SHOP KEEPERS.

The Provincial Statute, 32 Victoria, called the Tavern and Shop License Act. All Shop-keepers are required to take out a License to sell spirits. The license runs concurrently with the Tavern License, from the first of March in each year. I am prepared with the licenses. THOMAS SAUNDERS, Issuer of Licenses. do if

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 one of the best Hotels in the Town of Guelph. The subscriber is big about to leave Canada, wishes to dispose of the above. For further particulars apply to M. DEADY, Deady's Hotel, Guelph. Guelph, 8th Feb. do if

GIRL WANTED.

Wanted by Mrs. Horsman, a respectable girl to take charge of three children. Guelph, 26th February. do if

SPRING IMPORTATIONS.

NEW GOODS.

301 Cases and Bales at the Golden Lion.

Newest Styles and Designs in Fancy and Staple Dry Goods.

And bought by our MR. CHANCE, with great care, in the FIRST BRITISH MARKETS, and direct from the Manufacturers, all of which will be opened out, and on inspection at our store here in the course of a week or so.

Now arrived at the BONDED WAREHOUSE, 301 Cases, comprising all of the

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Guelph, March 2, 1869. daw if

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BUY YOUR FAMILY GROCERIES, AT J. & D. MARTIN'S.

Messina Oranges, & Lemons, Tunis Dates, Good Cooking Apples.

TEAS FROM 50 CENTS, TO \$1.00 PER LB.

Done Lead, Raisins, Currants, Taylor's Mustard, Joseph's Pickles, &c.

J. & D. MARTIN

Have now on hand the largest and best assortment of

China, Crockery and Glassware

In Guelph. Call and examine our Stock before purchasing elsewhere. Guelph, March 2. do

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. W. WARNER CLARKE, Guelph, February 17. do if

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ASSETS OVER \$10,000,000. More than fifteen thousand Policies were issued during the year, insuring nearly FORTY-FIVE MILLIONS. It insures from \$500 to \$20,000 on a single life.

THE ENTIRE PROFITS DIVIDED AMONG THE POLICY HOLDERS ANNUALLY. Furnishes Insurance combining all of the advantages offered by other Companies. Unsurpassed Management and Financial Security.

New Cash Tables with ANNUAL DIVIDENDS, on the Contribution Plan. Dividends as large and Policies become self-sustaining as soon as any other Company, while the rates are more favorable. JOHN GARVIN, General Agent for Western Canada. OFFICE—TORONTO, Ont. HIGINBOTHAM & HARVEY, Agents for Guelph and vicinity. Guelph, 19th February. do

BOARDING AND DAY SCHOOL FOR YOUNG LADIES.

CHURCH-ST. - - - GUELPH. The subscriber has to intimate that during his absence in England all orders left at the shop will be promptly attended to as usual. Parties indebted to him will please call at his house and settle as early as possible. W. H. JACOMB. Guelph, 6th Jan. do

PUBLIC NOTICE.

The subscriber has to intimate that during his absence in England all orders left at the shop will be promptly attended to as usual. Parties indebted to him will please call at his house and settle as early as possible. W. H. JACOMB. Guelph, 6th Jan. do

FISH

NOW IN STOCK

- White Fish, Salmon, Labrador Herring, Sea Herring, Trout, Tommy Cods, Codfish, Smelt, Sardines, Lobsters, &c., &c.

The above will be sold cheap.

E. CARROLL & CO.,

No. 2, Day's Block. Guelph, 11th February. do

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Insurance against loss by fire effected on the most favorable terms, and losses paid without reference to the Board in London. No charge made for policies or endorsements.

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THE NEW BOOKS!

A Charming New Novel, "HE KNEW HE WAS RIGHT," By Anthony Trollope, A THORNTON'S BOOKSTORE, Near the Post Office. Guelph, Feb. 27. do if

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

Notice is hereby given that the Co-Partnership heretofore existing between Alexander Thomson, Samuel Shaw and George Morton, Junior, under the style and firm of A. THOMSON & CO., in the Town of Guelph, was dissolved this day by mutual consent. The business in future will be carried on by Samuel Shaw and George Morton, Junior, under the style and firm of SHAW & MORTON, who have by agreement to make all liabilities against the said firm of A. Thomson & Co., and are hereby authorized to collect all the owing of A. Thomson & Co. ALEXANDER THOMSON, SAMUEL SHAW, GEORGE MORTON, JR.

Witness my hand and seal this 24th day of February, 1869. Guelph, February 24, 1869. do

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 but 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 time-keepers. They are now almost exclusively used on ALL THE LEADING RAILWAYS. Where they are found to run with perfect accuracy, in spite of the constant jar, which so much affects ordinary watches. SHIP CAPTAINS and other officers, who are frequently absent on long voyages, prefer THE AMERICAN WATCH 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 "Killey" 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 OILING 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. For the reason they are the cheapest watches in the world! ROBBINS & APPLETON, General Agents, New York. ROBERT WILKES, Wholesale Agent for Canada, Toronto and Montreal. Guelph, Feb. 24, 1869. do

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FRESH OYSTERS! Of the best quality always on hand, and served up in all styles at short notice; also for sale by the keg or can. The Bar is supplied with Liqours, Wines, Ales and Cigars, of the choicest brands, likewise with the favorite drink, "Tom and Jerry." LUNCH between the hours of 12 noon and 5 p. m. DENIS BUNYAN Guelph, 17th October do

