

Farmers' Clubs.
It has been said that farming is getting to be more scientific year by year—and we have no doubt that this statement is quite correct. In past times agriculture was merely a laborious occupation, and those who followed it were in general illiterate. They had the same routine of labor to perform always, without the aid of machinery, and the needs of the soil they cultivated—sub-soiling, drainage, &c. were questions not discussed, or if discussed, not understood. Now, however, things have altered; and what with machinery, and the many improvements in farmers' tools, the toil of the agriculturist is lightened about one-half, and he who wishes to be a successful tiller of the soil must keep pace with the age. The hard-working, plodding farmer who uses the same tools and employs the same means to cultivate his land as his father or grandfather did before him, will find himself far behind his neighbor who adopts—as far as his means will admit—the newest discoveries in machinery, and studies the art of farming.

Agricultural papers are very well in their way, and have undoubtedly done much good service in the instruction of the class of our population for whom they are more particularly intended; but there is still another method of gaining real practical information to farmers—and it is matter of surprise that it has not been adopted in this section of our country before. We refer to the formation of "Farmers' Clubs." These are getting to be very common in the States, and are productive of much good. The custom is to get all or nearly all those interested in agriculture to a township or county to meet together monthly, and give their views as to the proper time to sow various products, the best kinds of seeds and plants, method of raising crops, manuring, etc., etc.; and at these meetings the members interchange views and experiences concerning the topics brought before them. Some one who has heard of some new experiment finds out from some of the others who have tried it whether it is worthy of adoption or not, and guides himself accordingly. Some of the members may grow crops of the same kind, and yet it may happen that the result will be different—the crop of one may have turned out well, and that of another poorly. The latter can find out from his more fortunate friend what his method of treatment was, and secure himself from a similar unfortunate result next season. But it were useless to enumerate all the benefits to be derived—they are quite obvious; and we are pleased to notice that the women of Pilkington have taken the matter in hand, and have called for a meeting on the 2nd prox., to take into consideration the forming of a Farmers' Club for that township. It is to be hoped that their example will be followed by all the other townships in Wellington, for we are sure that the beneficial results which would accrue will be such as to surprise them, and cause them to wonder why they had not gone into such a movement before.

Burns' Birthday.
One hundred and ten years ago today, in an humble cottage in Ayrshire, Robert Burns—emphatically the people's favorite poet—was born. His songs, though lacking the refinement and scholarly sentiment of his great countryman, Sir Walter Scott, are nevertheless truer to nature, and appeal more directly to the heart of the multitude. There is a natural flow of vigorous sentiment and a philanthropic tone in Burns' writings, which appeal directly to the sympathy of the reader, and enchant the fancy. His patriotism, his generosity, his thorough sympathy with the toiling masses, and his manly independent spirit which brooked no obstacles, shine through every page of his works; and it is to the visibility of these excellent qualities in his poems, combined with their free and graceful rhythm, that we must account for the world-wide popularity of the Ayrshire ploughman. Wherever the English language is spoken the admirers of Burns will to-day gather together to do honour to the memory of his name; and at many a social board and festive assemblage—amidst many reminiscences of "Auld Lang Syne"—will the name of Burns be held up as an example of what lowly genius, unaided by fortune and left to its own resources, can accomplish, even under the most adverse circumstances.

CLERGY RESERVE FUND.—The Court of Appeal gave judgment on Friday in the case Boulton vs. The Church Society, confirming the decision of the Court below. The effect of this decision is to compel the Church Society to exhibit their accounts to Mr. Boulton or any other subscriber to their funds. There is talk of the Society making a further appeal to the Privy Council. Already it is probable that a thousand dollars has been spent in the endeavour to keep the affairs of the Society secret, and it will be a very remarkable fact in the annals of Church Societies, if three or four thousand more is spent in the same unworthy cause.

EXTRAORDINARY PHENOMENON.—On Saturday night, about twelve o'clock, a most extraordinary sight was witnessed at Stratford. The sky was partially obscured with fleecy clouds, which were illuminated by the moon; to the north-west of the moon, and apparently above it, was a dense black spot, circular in shape, which travelled at a tremendous pace to the southeast, assuming, during its course, the appearance of an irregular triangle, and ultimately dissolving. The night was so bright as to make the phenomenon most remarkable.

Legislature of Ontario.

Toronto, Jan. 23.
Attorney General Macdonald introduced a Bill organizing a Provincial Police Force. He did so because he desired members of the House during the recess to consider it, and also that there should be opportunity given for an expression of opinion by the country at large. The Bill was read a first time.

At one o'clock, His Excellency the Lt. Governor, drove down to the House, accompanied by an escort of the 13th Hussars. In a part of the Parliamentary Buildings, a guard of honor of the 29th, with their band, and saluted His Excellency, as he passed into the building. He then gave his assent to the bills passed. Among others,

An Act to amend the Act, chapter 40 of 29th Victoria, intitled "An Act to prevent the spread of Canada Thistles in Upper Canada."

An Act to amend the "Free Grants and Homestead Act of 1868."

An Act to amend the Municipal Institutions Act of Upper Canada.

An Act respecting Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly.

An Act to constitute and enable the trustees of the estate of Alex. Wright, of Mississauga, deceased, to sell and dispose of his real estate, and to vest the proceeds for the support and education of his family.

An Act to amend the Act respecting Division Courts.

An Act to incorporate the Synod of the Diocese of Toronto, and to unite the Church Society of the diocese of Toronto therewith.

An Act to repeal certain Acts and Enactments therein mentioned, and to abolish the Court of Impeachment for the trial of County Judges.

An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

An Act to amend the Act respecting Common Schools in Upper Canada.

An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts relating to the profession of Medicine and Surgery.

An Act to amend chapter fifty-seven of the Consolidated Statutes of Upper Canada, intitled "An Act respecting Licenses, Fences, and Water Courses."

An Act respecting lands sold for arrears of taxes.

An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying the expenses of Civil Government for the year 1869; for making good certain sums expended for the Public Service in 1868, and for other purposes.

After which the Lieut. Governor was pleased to address the Legislative Assembly in the following words:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:
In relieving you from your Legislative labours at this time, I desire to express my profound sense of the zeal and devotion which have marked the discharge of your duties during the session, and I tender to you my acknowledgements for the prompt attention which you have bestowed on the several important measures which I thought proper to suggest for your consideration.

To the different bills which you have passed, I have given my assent, and I am persuaded that they will contribute to promote the best interests of the Province.

I thank you for the supplies granted for the service of the year, and for the appropriations made for carrying on public works of improvement.

I take leave of you, convinced that your exertions in your several counties will be directed to the task of inspiring in the minds of the people a confident confidence in the future of this growing Province, the government and institutions of which are founded on wholesome and just laws, administered impartially to all—a condition of things well calculated to make us a happy and a prosperous people.

The House was then prorogued.

TEA MEETING.—A soiree was held at Stratton on Tuesday evening last in aid of the funds of the Primitive Methodist Church, when over \$40 was netted.

PRESENTATION.—The pupils of the Elora Separate School met on Monday last, and presented their late Teacher, Miss McDonald, with a beautiful and embellished Prayer Book, accompanied by an address, read by Master Heneberry.

New Advertisements.

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

LAND PLASTER.
PARIS and CALEDONIAN PLASTER at the Montreal Plaster Store, at the old stand below the railway crossing.
Guelph, Jan 17. d/w G. BARKWELL.

STRAY HEIFER.
Came on the premises of the subscriber, Lot No. 29, 3rd Con., Nassagaweya, about the 1st of Dec. last, a young heifer, principally red. The owner can have her by proving property and paying expenses.
Nassagaweya, 20th Jan. J. H. RAMAGE.

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. d/w

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.
The subscriber begs to inform his patrons and the public that during his absence in Scotland his business will be carried on as usual. Parties requiring work will please call at his shop, Market Square, where all orders will receive prompt attention.
Guelph, 6th Jan. d/w JAS. BARCLAY.

APRENTICE WANTED.
Wanted at the Mercury Office an apprentice to the Printing business. A stout, active lad, possessing a good English education, 15 or 16 years of age, from the country preferred. Apply on cue.
Guelph, 3rd December.

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. JACOME.
Guelph, 6th Jan. d/w

HARTFORD Fire Insurance Company
Of Hartford, Conn.
INCORPORATED IN 1816. CAPITAL, \$2,000,000.
Special Rates for Dwellings and contents for terms of one to three years.
AGENTS, MORRIS & MORRIS,
Guelph, Dec. 11. d/w

THE TOWN OF GUELPH.

Applications will be received at the next meeting of Council for the offices of Assessors.
JAMES HOUGH, Town Clerk.
Guelph, January 20. d/w

NEW BUTCHER SHOP.

The subscriber has opened a new Butcher Shop on the London Road, near the Guelph Marble Works, where he is prepared to sell Beef, Mutton, Pork and Lamb as cheap as it can be bought in the market. The subscriber respectfully requests the patronage of his customers.
Guelph, Dec. 23. d/w B. R. PRESENT.

GO TO J. & D. MARTIN'S FOR FAMILY GROCERIES, NEW FRUITS, New Crop Teas, Tobaccos, &c.

REMEMBER THE STAND—NEXT DOOR TO PETERIE'S DRUG STORE, GUELPH.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between F. W. Gothaith and George Beattie, as Saddlers, &c., under the style of the firm of Gothaith & Beattie, of the Town of Guelph, was dissolved by mutual consent on the 1st of January, 1869. The business in future will be carried on by the old stand by Mr. Beattie. Parties having claims against the late firm are requested to send them in for liquidation, and parties indebted will please call and settle the same either with Mr. Gothaith or Mr. Beattie. Witness: F. W. GOHAITH, GEO. BEATTIE.
Guelph, 10th January, 1869. d/w

NOTICE.

The subscriber is returning thanks to the public for the liberal patronage which has been extended to him in the carrying on of his 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 to quit the best of stock, and employ some first-rate workmen, the public may depend on getting good article. He always keeps on hand and is ready to order, the newest and best styles.

Harness, Saddles, Brides, 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 the business. A liberal patronage made for cash. All kinds of repairing done with neatness and dispatch.
GEORGE BEATTIE,
January 19. d/w West Market Square

NOTICE.

Farmers and others having empty barrels in their possession belonging to the Silver Creek Brewery will please return them at once, as any kept an unnecessary time after being supplied will be charged.
Guelph, Nov. 20. GEO. SLEMAN, w/t

EDUCATIONAL.

MRS. WM. BUDD,
Organist of the Congregational Church,
Begs to inform her Pupils and friends that her School will re-open on MONDAY, 4th JANUARY, 1869, and begs to inform the public that she has removed to the three-story house of Baker Wright's, opposite the South-East Corner of the Fair Ground, where she may be consulted on all diseases incident to horses and cattle.

IMPORTANT TO THE OWNERS OF HORSES AND CATTLE.

MR. BLOOMFIELD
Theoretical and Practical Veterinary Surgeon, from England, returns thanks for the patronage he has received since commencing business in Guelph, and begs to inform the public that he has removed to the three-story house of Baker Wright's, opposite the South-East Corner of the Fair Ground, where he may be consulted on all diseases incident to horses and cattle. Medicines for all diseases pertaining to horses and cattle always ready at his office. Country calls promptly attended to.
Guelph, Dec. 30, 1868. w/st

LEA & PERRINS' WORCESTERSHIRE SAUCE.

Declared by Commissioners to be THE ONLY GOOD SAUCE.
Wholesale and for export by the Proprietors, Worcester; and by Messrs. G. & J. Lea & Co., London, &c.; and by Grocers and Ollmen generally.
January 7th, 1869. w

CAUTION AGAINST FRAUD!

The success of this most delicious and unrivalled Compound has caused certain dealers to apply the name of Worcestershire Sauce to their own inferior compounds, the public is hereby informed that the only way to secure the genuine, is to

ASK FOR LEA & PERRINS' SAUCE,

And to see that their names are upon the wrapper, labels, stopper and bottle. Some of the foreign markets having been supplied with a spurious Worcestershire Sauce, upon the wrapper and labels of which the names of Lea & Perrins have been forged. L. & P. give notice that they have furnished their correspondents with power of attorney to take instant proceedings against all such spurious imitations which their right may be infringed.

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CAUTION.

All parties are hereby cautioned against purchasing or negotiating, on account of value not having been received, any Promissory Notes; the first for \$25, payable on the 1st of March, 1869; the other for \$55, payable on the 1st of December, 1869, both made jointly by John Johnson and Angus Johnson, in favor of Malcolm McEwen.

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK.

GENERAL AGENTS, TOWN HALL BUILDINGS, } GUELPH.

Agents for investing Money for the TRUST and LOAN COMPANY OF UPPER CANADA, AND THE CANADA PERMANENT BUILDING and SAVINGS SOCIETIES OF TORONTO.

THESE Companies afford every facility to the borrower, and give him the privilege of either retaining the principal for a term of years or of paying it off by instalments extending over any term of years up to 15.

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK, Have also a large amount of PRIVATE FUNDS On hand for investment.

Money Invested and Interest collected Mortgages bought subject to examination of title, and valuation of property offered.

Debentures, Stocks and Securities of all kinds negotiated.

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK, Are Agents for the Royal Insurance Co'y OF ENGLAND. CAPITAL - - \$10,000,000.

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 very 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 FARMES 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 10th Concession, 200 acres. Lots 17, 18 and 19, 8th Con., 600 acres.

ERAMOSA. Part of West-half of 2, in the 3rd Con., four acres with a good stone house and log stable. Lot No. 22, in 1st Con., of which 130 acres are under the plough; good buildings and an orchard; well watered.

ERIN. West-half of Lot 5, 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 are cleared; new frame house and barn; spring creek. West-half of Lot 32, 5th 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 Good being lots 5 and 6, corner of Victoria and Walnut Streets, with stabling for 40 horses.

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

Lot 11, in 12th Con., 100 acres; 60 acres cleared, all dry land; farm buildings.

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

TOWN OF GUELPH. Large storey stone house with verandah, stabling and garden, and 1/2 of an acre of land, 6th Dublin Street, at present occupied by Joseph Hobson, Esq.

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

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

Lot 15, 16, 22, 23, 25, 34, 35, 36, 40, 41, 40, 50, 51, in Webster's Survey, lying between Strange Street and the river Speed.

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

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

Park Lots in St. Andrew's Church Glebe, containing from 1/2 to 5 acres each.

No. 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30, 36, 37, 38 and 39, fronting on the Waterloo Road, and 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40, 41, 42 and 43 in rear, acre lots each, in one block.

Also, lot 15, five acres, a beautiful lot, we 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 388, Market Street, next to Mr. Hefferman's residence.

LUTHER. North-half Lot 18, in the 4th Con., 100 acres. South-half Lot 19, 4th " 100 " Lot 2, 7th " 200 " Lot 15, 5th " 200 " Lot 25, 5th " 200 " Lot 14, 11th " 200 " Lot 16, 11th " 200 " Lot 10, 12th " 174 " N Lot 17, 12th " 174 " Lot 18, 12th " 200 " Lot 19, 12th " 200 " Lot 20, 12th " 200 " Lot 21, 12th " 200 " Lot 22, 12th " 200 " Lot 23, 12th " 200 " Lot 24, 12th " 200 " Lot 25, 12th " 200 " Lot 26, 12th " 200 " Lot 27, 12th " 200 " Lot 28, 12th " 200 " Lot 29, 12th " 200 " Lot 30, 12th " 200 "

County of Halton. **ESQUINCING.** W 1/2 Lot 30, 3rd Concession, 95 acres, 65 cleared. Good buildings. Prompt attention will be given to all prepaid letters addressed to **DAVIDSON & CHADWICK,** General Agents Town Hall Buildings, Guelph, Guelph, 25th January. d/w

New Advertisement. GREAT AUCTION SALE

THE AUCTION SALE OF **DRY GOODS CLOTHING, &c.**

At the RUTHERFORD HOUSE, STILL CONTINUES.

Large audiences are attracted through the Lowness of the Prices.

NO RESERVE.

Guelph, 24 January. d/w

SALLY LUND'S

A DELICIOUS TEA CAKE AT **H. BERRY'S.**

FRESH MADE BISCUITS & CRACKERS

Plain Biscuits, Lemon Biscuits, Oyster Crackers, Captain Biscuits, Fancy Biscuits. All warranted fresh made by a splendid new machine. WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

Guelph, January 22, 1869. d/w **H. BERRY.**

Mrs. ROBINSON'S DOMINION STORE

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

Stock of Dried and other Fruits. FANCY GOODS of all kinds. A splendid lot of Berlin Wools; also the Largest Stock of Wools to be had in any store in town, including English, Fingering, Clouded, Berre, double and single, Fancy, Merino, and Italy Wools of every description. All kinds of Canadian Yarns.

MEN'S UNDERCLOTHING and SOCKS. Also, Ladies' Dress and Shawls. Stockings of all colours, of the best quality made and can be bought cheap.

Stamping and branding done to order. **Mrs. ROBINSON** Guelph, Jan. 23 1869. d/w

VALENTINES!

FOR THIS SEASON **Cupid's Headquarters**

Will be at SHEWAN'S OLD STAND, where

J. B. THORNTON

Will shortly present

ALL LOVERS!

Great and small, a beautiful assortment of VALENTINES,

Comic, Sentimental and Artistic.

J. B. THORNTON. Guelph, January 22. d/w

GIFTS AND PRESENTS FOR NEW YEAR.

Notwithstanding the tremendous rush at Christmas, there is still at

J. HUNTER'S, Wyndham Street, Guelph,

not only the largest and most select, but also the cheapest assortment of general

FANCY GOODS AND TOYS. suitable for this season of the year to be found west of Toronto. Call and see.

Writing Desks Dressing Cases Work Boxes, Ladies' Companions At less than Toronto Prices. Slippers, Ottomans, Wools, Toys and Fancy Goods of infinitesimal at

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References:—Dr. Clarke & Orton, Mc-Guire, Herold and McGee, and Cowan, Guelph; Dr. Buchanan & Phillips, Toronto; Dr. Elliott and Meyers Dentists, Toronto. Teeth extracted without pain. Guelph, 13th Jan, 1869. d/w

OYSTERS BY MEASURE.

Bring Your Bowls and Pails And get them filled with OYSTERS at WALKER'S, and save the price of cans and canning.

HUGH WALKER, Guelph, Jan. 15. d/w

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. d/w

Blowing is Dead! BUY YOUR OYSTERS AT WILKINSON'S. **PLATT & CO'S BALTIMORE OYSTERS!**

Require no putting. The public say they cannot be beat. Receiving daily by Express in Kegs, Whole and Half Cases, and warranted full packages. Wholesale and Retail, at LOW RATES. **GEORGE WILKINSON, Sole Agent.** Guelph, 22nd January. d/w

SEE THE COMING PROSPECTUS.

MORGAN'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 THORN, 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 barber 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 or 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. d/w **E. MORGAN**

Jeannie Sinclair,

OR THE LILY OF THE STRATH.

'Grizzy, woman,' said Thomas, clapping her affectionately on the shoulder, 'it's the very thing I was thinkin' on.'

'What, you thinkin' o' it?' 'A road along.'

'Did ever anybody ken the like!' exclaimed Grizzy, with extravagant delight. 'Then, we'll tak' her name at once, Tammas. Noo that the thrang o' harvest is ower, and the lag winter's afore us, Hannah and me will ha' plenty time to nurse her and feed her wi' the pan and the spoon. Loob, Thomas, will we send for her the morn'?

'Hoolio a wee, Grizzy, lass,' rejoined the more sober-minded Thomas. 'A thing o' this kind is no tae be settled in a minute. Wha kens but some o' the bairn's folk may turn up—it's father, or auntie, or grannie, or someither body that it belongs tae.'

'There's little appearance o' that,' answered Grizzy. 'I ha' my ain thoughts about it's pair deid mither. Mrs. Carrick, the only one that saw her in life, except Wandering Ned, says she's shure the lassie had a misfortune, and that the father is no like tae mak' ony speerin's after either her or the wean she was likely tae have.'

'It may be sae,' responded Thomas. 'At ony rate we'll take her in the meantime, and if them that's mair sib come for her we'll e'en ha' tae gie her up. If no, we'll keep her tae oorsels, and be as kind tae her as if she was oor ain.'

So it was settled between them, and the parish authorities were only too glad to be relieved of the trouble and expense of taking charge of the little waif that had been so strangely cast into their midst. Before that week was out, the friendless little one, friendless no longer, was snugly and luxuriously housed at the Holme, and Grizzy and her maids took to the work of nursing it with ardour and delight.

When a month had passed and brought no one to claim it, and when there seemed no likelihood of tracing its mother's name or connections, the worthy farmer and his wife, whose hearts were being already knitted towards it, entertained the belief, amounting to a hope that they would remain in permanent and undisputed possession. The next thing to set about was the baptizing of the child, and a name had to be fixed on.

'Will we ca' her Grizzy, after yerseel?' asked Tammas, as one day he held the cup while his better half plied the spoon between it and the infant's mouth.

'Deed no, Tammas, I wad like tae gie her a bonnier name than that. What wad ye say tae Jeannie?—my pair sister's name, ye ken.'

'Just as ye like, dawtie. For my part I think Grizzy just as bonny a name as the ither, but, as ye say, Jeannie will remind us o' yer pair sister that's lyin' in the mools. Sae Jeannie let it be.'

This matter having been decided, all the neighbours were invited to the Holme to the christening. Tammas manfully held up the child before the minister, and took upon him the parent's vows—vowing inwardly at the moment that he would conscientiously perform them—and the sleeping infant received the name of Jeannie Sinclair.

About a fortnight before the baptism, and just as the afternoon of a me'ow October day was verging towards sunset, Wandering Ned came strolling over the Moor towards Sinclairtown. This was his first appearance on the scene since the night of the eventful occurrence we have narrated, and in some of which he had borne so conspicuous a part. Since then, he had been roaming in a remote part of the country—purpose'ly going a far distance from the Strath—and his encounter with Nell and his subsequent interview with her in the keeper's house had so vividly brought to his mind those sorrowful experiences of his past life which, and unchanging habits, that he felt impelled to put a great distance between him and the place where the painful memory had been so strongly called for—in order that some time might elapse ere he could return, and that the power of his emotion might be subdued, and that he might recover that composure, cheerfulness, and happiness of nature which the intervening years of his harmless wandering life had brought him.

It was several days ere his wonted calmness returned to him, and having taken several days more for that calmness to settle itself, he set his face again in the direction of Strathmae. The poor fellow had aided in such terrible extremity had raised a strong interest in his warm heart. Her beauty, youth, and friendlessness would have done that in any case, but the sad and mournful story she had imparted greatly deepened it, and he longed to see her again, and know that she was being cared for in her forlorn condition. Not a word of what had transpired in the interval had reached him, and he now approached the neighbourhood of Baigley Castle in the hope of finding Nell better, and in a more hopeful and cheerful state of mind. He had regarded the desponding fears she had expressed as nothing more than misgivings induced by the weakness incidental to her situation, and never doubted that with returning strength she would have become more cheerful and hopeful.

This morning (Monday) was the coldest this season. The thermometer marked 15 below zero at 7 o'clock.

Special Notices.

ALLEN'S LUNG BALSAM FOR THE CURE OF CONSUMPTION!

And all diseases that lead to it, such as Coughs, neglected Colds, Pain in the Chest, and all Diseases of the Lungs.

AS AN EXPECTORANT IT HAS NO EQUAL. It has now been before the Public for a number of years and has gained for itself a

World-Wide Reputation. Physicians recommend it in their practice and the formula from which it is prepared is highly commended by Medical Journals. Call at the Druggists and get a sample of Every Druggist sells it. BALSAM.

PERRY DAVIS & SON, Proprietors, Montreal, P. Q.

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

R. P. HALL & CO., Nashville, N. H., Proprietors. For sale by all druggists.

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

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

A distinguished Jurist writes to a friend as follows:— I have tried the Peruvian Syrup, and the result fully sustains your prediction. It has made a New Man of me, infused into my system new vigor and energy; I am no longer tremulous and debilitated, as when you last saw me, but stronger, heartier, and with larger capacity for labor, mental and physical, than at any time during the last 5 years.

Thousands have been changed by the use of this remedy from weak, sickly, suffering creatures, to strong, healthy, and happy men and women, and invalids cannot reasonably hesitate to give it a trial.

The genuine has "Peruvian Syrup" blowing the glass. A 32 page pamphlet will be sent free. J. P. DUNSMORE, Proprietor, No. 36, Dey-St. New York. Sold by all Druggists, Northrup & Lyman, General Agents, Newcastle, Ont. Jan 9 1869.

Fearful Slaughter.

JOHN HOGG'S

WONDERFUL



CHEAP SALE,

Commencing on Thursday, Jan. 7, 1869.

Extraordinary Bargains Given!

All the Goods offered will be put at and under actual Cost Prices.

AMAZING INDUCEMENTS ARE TO BE OFFERED AT

THE GOLDEN LION

\$30,000 Worth of Staple & Fancy Goods

Must be disposed of during this month and February.

BELOW IS A LIST OF SOME OF THE LEADING LINES THAT I WILL OFFER

UNDER Actual COST!

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

MANTLES AND JACKETS, HALF PRICE.

Jacket Cloth, Double Width, at 50c. per yard. Jacket Cloth, Double Width, at 75c. worth \$1.25. Jacket Cloth, Double Width, 89c. worth \$1.50.

Men's Fur Caps, Half Price.

Cotton Flannels at 15c. worth 22c. All-Wool heavy Canadian Tweed, at 50c. worth 75c. All-Wool Canadian Cloth at 30c. worth 75c.

An immense Reduction in White and Grey Cottons, Shirting Flannels, Shirting Winceys, &c.

\$9,000 Worth of Ready-Made Clothing!

AT HALF PRICE IN MEN'S AND BOY'S COATS, PANTS AND VESTS. This is the Greatest Chance to obtain Goods at a Trifle that has ever occurred in Guelph.

Call at the Golden Lion before parting with your Money.

The Golden Lion has got his "back up." Don't you hear him Roar?

JOHN HOGG.

Golden Lion, Guelph, January 6, 1869.

Any Goods Booked will be at my Regular Prices.

R. J. JEANNERET,

FROM ENGLAND. Established in London, Ont. 1842 and in Guelph 1863.

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.

MONTREAL STEAM SHIP COMPANY.

QUELPH AGENCY. CANADIAN LINE—Portland to Liverpool every Saturday. GLASGOW LINE—Portland to Glasgow every week.

CABIN—Guelph to Liverpool, \$83.50 and \$98.50. STE. RAGE, do do \$22.00. CABIN—Guelph to Glasgow, \$73.50. INTERMEDIATE, do do \$47.00. STEERAGE, do do \$21.00.

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

GEO. A. OXNARD, Agent, G. T. R. Guelph, Guelph, A. ril 1, 1868.



WE have opened our stock of Fur, of our own manufacture, which we will sell at LOW PRICES, viz:—

EXTRA DARK HINK ROYAL ER MINE. SIBERIA NATURAL RIVER HINK LADIES' HOODS

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

The highest price paid for Jaw Furs.

F. CARLAND, Market Square, Guelph, 3rd Nov.

LUMBER & WOOD YARD.

CHARLES HEATH HAS opened a Lumber and Wood Yard on

Quebec-St. West of English Church.

Where Lumber of all kinds can be had in lots to suit purchasers according to order.

CORDWOOD

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

FLOUR & FEED

Also for sale, Flour and Feed, delivered in any part of the Town according to order.

All orders from Town or Country will be promptly attended to.

CHARLES HEATH, Guelph, May 14, 1868.

CUNARD OCEAN STEAMERS.

LEAVING New York every Thursday for Quebec

FARE FROM HAMILTON First Cabin, - - - 87, gold value

Steerage - - - 29, " Berths not secured until paid for. For further particulars apply to

CHARLES T. JONES & CO. Exchange Brokers, Hamilton

Agents for the Erie and New York Railway. Fare from Hamilton to New York \$7, gold value

Hamilton 1st June, 1868.

MEDICAL HALL, GUELPH.



TOILET Requisites!

Hair, Nail & Tooth Brushes. A Splendid Assortment of

Rimmel's, Edes', & Lubin's.

Choice Extracts

Honey, Glycerine, Almond, Rose and Brown Windsor

SOAPS

Anglo-Glycerine Toilet Powder, Oriental Hair Powder, Perfumery, Turkey Spunges, &c.

This property is but a short distance from the Market and business part of the Town, and is an admirable location as a dwelling for a professional or business man. The above property will be sold on easy terms, which may be known by applying to

GEORGE ELLIOTT, or N. HOINBOTHAM, Guelph, Jan. 2.

DOMINION HOTEL, GUELPH.

JOHN BUNYAN begs to inform his friends and the public that he has leased the above Hotel in the BRICK HOUSE, MACDONNELL-ST., a few doors above Higginbotham's Drug Store, and immediately opposite Messrs. Sharp's Sashstore.

There is a good stable attached to the house, with good and commodious stabling. Every attention will be paid to customers in order to secure their comfort and convenience. The best of liquors and cigars always kept at the bar. Good accommodations for Boarders by the week at reasonable rates. Guelph, July 13th.

WORTHY OF A VISIT

TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS, PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS, LONDON. Guelph, July 13th.

LOOK HERE

"The Moon shines still, though little dogs bark at it."

SO THE

MASON & HAMLIN

CABINET AND METROPOLITAN

ORGANS

Continue to arrive variety

AT CLARKE'S MUSIC STORE.

WHAT'S IN A NAME? COME AND SEE.

Guelph, January 16. W. WARNER CLARKE, Market Square, Guelph.

Retiring from the Retail Trade.

ENTIRE STOCK OF DRY GOODS TO BE SOLD OUT.

WM. STEWART,

In returning thanks to his friends and the public for the liberal patronage bestowed on him for the last thirteen years, respectfully intimates his intention of retiring from the Retail Business.

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

On and after the 2nd of January the Books will be closed, and during the sale Goods will be sold only FOR CASH.

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

WILLIAM STEWART.

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

JACKSON & HALLETT,

GROCERS, NO. 7, WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR

At JACKSON & HALLETT'S, Wyndham St., Guelph.

New Prunes and Fruits at Jackson & Hallett's.

Splendid Mixed Tea at 75 Cents per lb.

AT JACKSON & HALLETT'S.

Very Fine JAPAN and HYSOON TEAS, at Jackson & Hallett's. CIGARS, the best Brands, at JACKSON & HALLETT'S.

VERY FINE OLD PORT AND SHERRIES

AT JACKSON & HALLETT'S. The Lowest Prices at JACKSON & HALLETT'S.

1869 FEARFUL PANIC. 1869

\$15,000 WORTH OF

CANADIAN GOODS

To be rushed off before the 1st March, at the BRITANNIA HOUSE.

IN ORDER to make room for Spring Goods HEFFERNAN BROS. are determined to clear out their immense Stock of Canadian Goods

AT PANIC PRICES!

Consisting in part of TWEEDS, FULL CLOTHS, SATINETTS, FLANNELS, BLANKET, caps, SHIRTS, DRAWERS, &c. Call at once, and call early.

THIS IS ONE OF THE FEW CHANCES THAT RETAIL PURCHASERS have of Buying Goods at LESS than Wholesale Prices.

HEFFERNAN BROTHERS. Jan 9. dw

GALLERY OF ART.

R. W. LAIRD, Looking Glass and Picture Frame MANUFACTURER, 9 King-st. West, TORONTO.

The Trade supplied with Washable, Gilt and Imitation Rosewood Mouldings and Looking Glass Plate. Country orders promptly attended to. Toronto, 1st April 1868.

DOMINION SALOON

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 cart. The Bar is supplied with Liquors, Wines, Ales and Cigars, of the choicest brands, likewise with the favorite drink, "Tom and Jerry." LUNCH between the hours of 12 noon and 3 p.m.

DENIS BUNYAN Guelph, 17th October.

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BACHELOR'S HAIR DYE

This splendid Hair Dye is the best in the world. The only true and perfect Dye—Harmless. Relishes, fastness, and no disappointment. No ridiculous tints. Remedies the effects of bad dyes. Invigorates and leaves the hair soft and beautiful brown or black. Sold by all Druggists and Perfumers, and properly applied at Bachelor's Wig Factor No. 16, Bond St. N. Y.

COMMERCIAL.

Guelph Markets

MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH, ONT.
January 25, 1899.

Flour, 20 lbs.	8 2 1/2
Fall Wheat, 2 bush.	1 04
Spring Wheat, 2 bush.	1 00
Oats, 2 bush.	52
Peas, 2 bush.	50
Barley, do.	1 15
Hay, 4 ton.	10 00
Straw, 2000.	2 00
Shingles, 2 square.	1 00
Wood, 2 cord.	3 00
Wool, 2 lb.	0 25
Eggs, 2 dozen.	0 20
Butter, (clay packed) 2 lb.	0 18
do. (dairy packed) 2 lb.	0 20
Cheese, each.	0 25
Turkey, each.	1 00
Chicken, 2 pair.	0 25
Ducks, do.	0 40
Potatoes, 2 bush.	1 00
Apples, 2 bush.	1 00
Lamb, 2 lb.	0 64
Beef, 2 lb.	0 05
Pork, 2 lb.	0 05
Sheep Pelts, each.	0 50
Lambskins, 2.	0 50
Hides, 2.	0 50

Money Market.

JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE,
Guelph, Jan. 25, 1899.

Gold, 100.
Greenbacks, at 72 to 73, sold at 73 to 74.
Silver bought at 4 dis.; sold at 3.
Upper Canada Bank Bills bought at 55c to 60.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

Kirkwood, Livingstone & Co.'s report by special Telegram to "Evening Mercury."
Montreal, January 25, 1899.

Flour receipts, 2,000 bbls. Market firm but quiet. Sales of strong superfine at 45c to 45c; 10c; other grades nominal. Grain—wheat; no reported transactions. Peas—no demand over 300. Cattle—grain nominal. Provisions—pork mess selling in small parcels at 87c. Hogs scarce; sold at 85c. Lard firm in unchanged rates. Ashes—pots steady; pearls neglected.

Flour—Extra, \$5 50 to \$5 50; Fancy, \$5 10 to \$5 15; Welland Canal Superfine, \$4 80 to \$5 00; Superfine No. 1 Canada, \$4 90 to \$5 00; No. 2 do., \$4 45 to \$4 50; Bar flour, \$2 40 to \$2 50; Wheat—Canada Fall, \$1 15 to \$1 16; Spring, \$1 16 to \$1 17; Western, \$1 10 to \$1 11; Oats, per 22 lbs., \$1 15; Barley, per 45 lbs., \$1 20 to \$1 30; Butter—dairy, 22 to 24c; store packed 20c to 22c. Ashes—Pots \$5 50 to \$5 60; pearls \$2 50 to \$2 55. Pork—Market \$27 00; Prime, \$7 00 to \$7 50. Peas, 90c to 92c.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, Jan. 25.

Fall wheat, \$1 14 to \$1 15; spring wheat, \$1 04 to \$1 05; flour, No. 1 super, \$4 50; extra \$5 25; barley \$1 30; peas, 50c to 55c; oats, 52c to 53c.

HAMILTON MARKETS.

Hamilton, Jan. 25.

Barley, 1 20 to 1 25; peas, 50c to 55c; oats, 55c to 56c; spring wheat, 1 00 to 1 03; white wheat, 1 12 to 1 12; red winter, 1 08 to 1 09.

THE Equitable Life Assurance Society

OF THE UNITED STATES.

Head Office, 92 Broadway, New York.

W. O. BUCHANAN,
2 Great St. James St., Montreal, General Agent for the Dominion of Canada.

COLIN SEWELL, M.D., Examining Physician,
Dr. R. L. MACDONELL, Consulting,
GEORGE MACRAE, Solicitor,
BANK OF MONTREAL, Bankers.

The rapid advance of the Society to the very front rank among American Life Insurance Companies, the unprecedented amount of its New Business for the year, the large accumulation of its Seven Millions of Dollars, already invested in the most reliable securities, form, collectively, a legitimate subject for unfettered congratulation by the Managers of the Society to every policyholder, and an assurance to the public that it has been carefully and successfully managed. The rank of the Equitable among all American Companies, as to New Business done since its organization, stands as follows:—In 1860 it was the ninth; in 1861 the eighth; in 1862 and 1863 the seventh; in 1864 and 1865 the sixth; in 1866 the fourth; in 1867 (fiscal year) the second. By insurances effected on the most favorable terms GEO. MURTON, Agent for Guelph.

STEEL AMALGAM BELLS



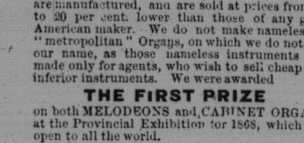
The undersigned beg to notify the public that they have commenced the manufacture of larger bells than they have hitherto made. After manufacturing and selling over one thousand bells within the last seven years, from forty-five pounds weight to three hundred pounds, we find that our Bells give the best of SATISFACTION in every respect, consequently we have commenced the manufacture of

Our Bells are only one-third the cost of the Brass Composition Bells, and we warrant them for one year. The public will find it to their advantage to engage our manufacture.

We also manufacture the celebrated Job Morris FIRE-PLACE WOOD STOVE, so well adapted for hotels and school-houses.

JONES & CO.
Markham Post Office, Ontario.
Markham, 17th December.

THE GUELPH MELODEON COMPANY



Be it drawn the attention of the public to their Melodeons and Cabinet Organs, which, in the opinion of all competent judges, are the best that are manufactured, and are sold at prices from 10 to 20 per cent. lower than those of any good American maker. We do not make nameless or "metropolitan" Organs, on which we do not put our name, as those nameless instruments are made only for agents, who wish to sell cheap and inferior instruments. We were awarded

THE FIRST PRIZE

on both MELODEONS and CABINET ORGANS at the Provincial Exhibition for 1868, which was open to all the world.

As we warrant all our instruments for Five Years, the public will easily see that it is to their interest to buy from us rather than from agents of some distant New England firm, whose guarantee amounts simply to nothing, even on instruments which they consider good enough to put their names on.

LONG CREDIT given to responsible parties, or a liberal discount for cash in full. Retail discount to Clergymen, Churches, Schools, etc.

Factory and Warehouses in the Old Gore Bank Building, East Market Square.

Guelph, December 18th, 1888.

DIVISION COURTS

For the County of Wellington for 1899.

Guelph	January 29	Oranston	February 1
Orangeville	February 2	Harriston	February 5
Erin	February 6	Arthur	February 8
Rockwood	February 9	Mount Forest	February 11
Elora	February 12	Fergus	February 14
Oranston	February 15	Passlinch	February 17

By order,
ALFRED A. BAKER, Clerk.
Guelph, Dec. 2, 1898.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company

HARTFORD CONN.

WOODRIDGE S. OLMSTEAD, Secretary. | GUY R. PHELPS, President. | ZEPHANIAH PRESTON, V. Pres.
EDWIN W. BRYANT, Actuary. | LUCIAN S. WILCOX, Medical Examiner.

ORGANIZED IN 1846. CHARTER PERPETUAL.
The largest Mutual Life Insurance Company, numbering over 55,000 members. A purely Mutual Company—its Assets being exclusively to its members.

ASSETS, \$21,000,000.—Acquired by prudent and economical management of twenty-two years without the aid of a single dollar of original capital.

SURPLUS ASSETS, \$6,361,967.—All profits divided among the members. Each policy holder is a member. There are no Stockholders.

ITS LARGE DIVIDENDS.—They have averaged over 50 per cent. annually. Total amount of dividends paid the members since its organization, \$4,397,142.

ITS SUCCESS UNPARALLELED.—It has arrived at the extraordinary condition where the Income from Annual Interest alone is more than sufficient to pay all its losses. Total amount of losses paid by the Company, \$6,868,528.

ITS RESPONSIBILITY.—For every \$100 of Liabilities, it has \$154 of Assets.

LAST YEAR'S PROSPEROUS BUSINESS.

Amount insured fiscal year 1897	\$45,647,101.00
Income received	7,530,886.19

During its last fiscal year this Company paid to its living members, and to the families of its deceased members, nearly \$2,000,000, and at the same time added more than FOUR MILLIONS to its accumulated capital. The whole record of this Company has been one of prudent management and prosperous advancement. Among the older and leading Life Insurance Companies its ratio of dividends to premiums, through its entire history, been the lowest of any.

ITS LIBERALITY.—It accommodates the insured by giving credit for part premium, and grants insurance to meet all the contingencies and wants to which Life Insurance is applicable. Its issues policies on a single life from \$100 to \$25,000.

Amount deposited with Receiver General of Canada, \$140,000.

Medical Director—DR. HEROD. DANIEL D. HILLIS, General Agent for Canada.

GEORGE ROBINS, Agent for Guelph.

Sale of Cloths and Clothing!

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. It 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.

Guelph, 17th Dec. 1898

A. THOMSON & CO.

CARD.

James Massie & Co.,

Have pleasure in intimating the re-opening of their RETAIL STORE in the recently re-erected "ALMA BLOCK." Having given special attention to the selection of suitable and seasonable articles, they can, with confidence, recommend their FAMILY GROCERIES, LIQUORS, GLASSWARE, CROCKERY, &c., to their numerous friends and customers, who will ever find an ample stock of superior goods, and a courteous welcome at the ALMA BLOCK.

Guelph, 9th Dec. 1898.

LANGDON.

MY STOCK OF

GROCERIES, TEAS, WINES AND LIQUORS

is now complete, and I am prepared to sell Goods as low as any House West of Montreal, no matter what their pretensions may be. Give me a call and prove it. In stock,

Very fine Black, Young Hyson and Japan Teas
Coffees, Tobaccos, Sugars
Pickles, Sauces, Lobsters, Sardines
Bottled Ales and Porter.

Wines and Liquors--Best Brands

Martell Brandy, Jules Roid. Brandy, Finet Castillon & Co's Brandy, Selmeete Brandy, Holland and Old Tom Gin, Rum, very fine Old Port Wine, Pale and Brown Sherry, Hay's Scotch Whisky, Canadian Scotch Whisky, Stewart's Scotch Whisky, Duvillier's Irish Whiskey, Windsor Pure Rye and Malt Whiskey, Bourgoing Whiskey.

Labrador HERRING, Lake Huron Herring, White Fish, Salt, &c., very low.

Guelph, 5th January

J. J. LANGDON.

ARCHIBALD McKEAND,
(Successor to John W. Murton),
Banking and Exchange OFFICE,
No. 9, JAMES STREET, HAMILTON.

BILLS OF EXCHANGE, uncurrent Money and Specie bought and sold at best rates.

5-20 Bonds bought and sold at a slight advance on New York rates.

Agent for the National Steamship Company, weekly Line of Steamers between New York and Liverpool. Also for the London and New York Steamship Company, fortnightly Line between New York and London.

Tickets via the Michigan Central R. R., and the Michigan Southern and Northern Indiana R. R. for all points West and South, Royal Mail Line to Montreal and intermediate ports.

Agent for the Keeshaw & Edwards' celebrated Fire and Burglar Proof Safes.

Guelph, Dec. 1.

FUNERALS

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WILLIAM BROWNLOW, UNDERTAKER,
SHOP, in rear of the WELLINGTON HOTEL, Douglas Street, House, in rear of Mr. 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.

WM. BROWNLOW
Dec. 29, 1898.

BILLARD HALL
Adjoining Coulson's Hotel,
GUELPH, ONT.

For New Philan Standard American tables.

W. O'CONNOR, Proprietor.
Guelph, June 24.

Removal--Card of Thanks.



WM. HOOVER,
CARTMAN and Livery Stable Keeper, begs to thank his patrons and the public for their support, and to inform them that he has removed to the New Stone Stable, in rear of Miller's Hotel,
WEST MACDONNELL STREET
Guelph, Dec. 10th, 1898.

Still on the War Path

THE subscriber begs to inform his old friends and the public that he is still in the war path, and as able as ever to attend to all orders that may be left with him at the well known old stand,
ON CORK STREET,
Opposite Deady's Hotel,

Where he is prepared as formerly to make up
CLOTHING
of every description at short notice, and in superior style.

TO FARMERS.

Having had 30 years experience, and devoting all his time to the business, he can make up **Home-made Cloth** and trim it cheaper than can be done at any other establishment in Guelph.

For all work carefully finished, and at moderate rates.

WM. MITCHELL,
Guelph, 2nd Nov.

DOCTOR DAVIS

Physician and Surgeon.

OFFICE—Merriek-st. directly opposite the Market, and in rear of the Royal Hotel.

Can be consulted at all hours day and evening, on all Chronic Diseases, Diseases of Women and Children, Midwifery, &c., together with those of a private nature. He has devoted over 30 years to the treatment of the above-named diseases, and the success so far has been without a parallel, as may be seen from the numerous testimonials in his possession.

No Mercury Used.—Patients at a distance can be treated by corresponding with the Doctor, stating the symptoms of the disease, age, length of time afflicted, &c., and receive his celebrated remedies by express, or as otherwise directed, securely packed from other ration. A reasonable remittance on all such applications will be required.

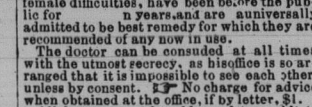
Female Pills.—Dr. Davis' celebrated Female Pills for Irregularities, Suppression of the Menstrue, Leucorrhoea, Whites, and all female difficulties, have been before the public for a year and a half, and are now admitted to be the best remedy for which they are recommended of any now in use.

The doctor can be consulted at all times with the utmost secrecy, as his office is so arranged that it is impossible to see each other, unless by consent. For no charge for advice when obtained at the office, if by letter, \$1.

All letters must be addressed (prepaid) to Dr. Davis, M. D., Hamilton, and to contain postage stamp when an answer is required.

Hamilton, 1st July, 1898.

TROTTER & GRAHAM,



DENTISTS!

GUELPH and BRAMPTON LICENTIATES OF DENTAL SURGERY

Successors in Guelph to T. Trotter.

Office, over Higginbotham's Drugstore
Guelph, 2d August, 1898.

GREAT POWERS

Are always neutral in small squabbles.

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 are positively affirm, notwithstanding all the puffing 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 will state, 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 staple Boots and Shoes are made by hand, which must be admitted is far 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.

F. M. WILSON,
Banking, Exchange & Passage OFFICE,
No. 5, JAMES STREET, HAMILTON.

American Money and Silver Drafts on New York and Sterling Exchange Bought and Sold.

Agent for the INMAN LINE of Steamships to and from Liverpool, London and Cork. Anchor Line of Steamships to Glasgow, London and all parts of Ireland. Also, to Hamburg, Rotterdam, Copenhagen, Christiania, Havre, &c., via Leth.

Upper Canada Agency of the Pacific Mail Line Steamship Company to California.

Guelph, Dec. 1.

Shoe Tools & Findings

A COMPLETE assortment of the latest pattern Machine Tools, Shoe and Machine Thread, Machine Silk, Shoe Pegs, Shoe Nails, Shoe Tacks, Heel and Toe Plates, &c., wholesale and retail.

RYAN & OLIVER,
114 Yonge Street, Toronto,
Toronto, 1st April, 1898.

TO TAILORS.

AMERICAN Shears, Trimmers, and Points of all sizes, Squares, Carved Rules, Straight-Gages, Improved Irons, English and American Copings of PORTAITS 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.

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Jackets at Panic Prices. Astrakhan Jackets, Sealskin Jackets, Whittney, Black and Coloured, Persian, Black and Coloured, and an immense variety of

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Preserve Dishes, in great variety
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