

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.

ROOTS AND SHOES

And employ double the number of workmen of any other establishment in the County of Wellington.

PREST & HEPBURN

Guelph, 2nd November.

THE OLD ESTABLISHED SADDLER SHOP.

The subscriber in returning thanks to the public for the patronage bestowed on the late firm of Galbraith & Beattie, would beg to say that he intends carrying on the business in all its branches at the old stand, West Market Square, Guelph.

Harness, Saddles, Brides, Martingales.

And a large assortment of Trunks, Valises, WHIPS, HORSE BLA KETS, CURRY COMBS, MANE COMBS, CARDS, SPURS, WHIP Lashes, all kinds

OIL AND VARNISH

For Cleaning Harness, and all other articles connected with the business.

THE QUEEN'S HOTEL,

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THIS FIRST-CLASS HOTEL has recently been opened and fitted up in style to meet the wants of the TRAVELLING PUBLIC, and secure to its patrons all the comforts and convenience of a home.

Particular attention is paid to the Table,

Which will always be furnished with all the delicacies of the season.

LIVERY STABLE

Attached to the Hotel to meet the requirements of all permanent as well as transient customers.

SPECIAL NOTICE

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

New RUSTIC Accessories.

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

From the Locket to Life Size

Equally as regards finish and life-like appearance as any that can be obtained in the Dominion.

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

Parties requiring 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 at his gallery.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1864 & 1865.

IN THE MATTER OF JOHN HENDERSON, OF ELORA AN INSOLVENT.

THE Creditors of the Insolvent are notified that he has made an assignment of his estate and effects, under the Act, to me, the undersigned assignee, and they are required to furnish within two months from this date, with their claims, specifying the security they hold, if any, and the value of it, and if none stating the fact; the whole attested under oath, with the vouchers in support of such claims.

JOHN KERR, Official Assignee.

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 an. The Bar is supplied with Liquors, Wines, Ales and Cigars, of the choicest brands, likewise with the favorite drink, "Tom and Jerry."

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MISS WIGHTMAN

HARTFORD Fire Insurance Company

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Special Rates for Dwellings and contents for terms of one to three years.

Evening Mercury

SATURDAY EVENING, APRIL 3, 1869.

Military Officers in Canadian Society.

We certainly do not wish here to pass an eulogy on those who take a stupid pleasure in sowing around them, under the guise of so many conquests, shame, remorse, and dishonour; but if the honor of our families could not be defended but by pistol shot, it would be too far gone to be susceptible of restoration.

THE NEW SCHOOL BILL - Meeting in Erin.

A meeting convened by order of the Trustees, was held in the school house in section No. 12, Erin, on Wednesday evening, 24th ult., for the purpose of discussing the new School Bill.

BE WISE AND SAVE MONEY.

This season of the year it is an important matter to the business man how, and through what channel, he can reach the million to make known his business, and to inform a discriminating public what he has for sale and at what price.

TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

An association called the Union Teachers' Association for Garafra and Erin for the mutual improvement and benefit of teachers, has been formed.

THE COLONIAL MINISTER and the Hudson's Bay Company.

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"The transfer of the whole of British North America (excepting British Columbia) to the Dominion of Canada has been one of the most important subjects with which I have had to deal.

LOSS OF APETITE IN HORSES.

Horses lose their appetite from various causes, but most frequently by the approach of some disease. This circumstance ought not to be overlooked by the owner of a horse, but should be immediately attended to, as by so doing the disease may be checked, and the life of the horse saved.

THE VALUE OF A NEWSPAPER.

But not half the world knows the luxury of reading a newspaper. We see too many of them, who are gluttons with news, go into banishment! Remove far out into the country, to some point where the mail comes but twice or thrice a week; where few strangers break in, and where the few neighbors live in primeval simplicity.

A TOLIN STORY.

We do not like to doubt the truth of any of our contemporaries' statements, but the following from the Elora Lightning Express, appears to us rather too tough for deglutition.

Town and County News.

The contractors of the Wellington, Grey and Bruce Railway have ordered a large lot of one-wheeled velocipedes. This looks like work.

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The World Over.

Not less than one hundred Canadians are leaving Montreal daily for the United States.

The Entire Horse Show for the North Waterloo Agricultural Exhibition, will be held in Waterloo on the next market day, April 13th.

Patrick Murphy, in a Nashville saloon, on Friday, shot John Perry, the bar-keeper, because the latter declined to give him a "free drink."

ACQUITTED.—Mr. Duncan Stewart, Esquire, was tried at Milton on Saturday last on a charge of perjury preferred by the Sheriff of Haldon.

Mr. Thos. Baker of Galt, passed a successful examination at the Ontario Veterinary College, Toronto, on Tuesday, and was awarded a diploma.

The net profits of the Bank of Montreal last year, upon a capital of \$6,000,000 was, deducting a number of heavy losses, all expense, &c., \$902,410.43, or a trifle over 15 per cent. per annum!

A few days ago, as Mrs. McCutcheon, Senr. Crosshill, was shovelling the snow from around the back door the fall broke her arm.

About a hundred men, employed in McLaren's, late of Guelph, shoe factory, Montreal, struck on Monday, because they were refused permission to smoke while at work.

It is said that public opinion in Spain is gradually coming to the conclusion that the Duke of Montpenier is the best King available.

A correspondent wishes to know if he should apologise to a lady for stepping on her dress in the street?

The press, type, &c., of the Brampton Review office have been sold to Messrs. Clark and Gissing, of Princeton, County of Oxford, where the Review will be again issued as soon as the removal can be made.

Mr. Aird, a noted London barrister, was a printer, so too, was Douglas Jerrold; John Kitto, the editor of the Pictorial Bible, was by trade a shoemaker;

The MARRIAGE OF PRIESTS.—The Court of Appeals at Naples, Italy, has decided that the marriage of priests of the Catholic Church is legal.

The DEER PLACE FOR HIM.—The man, Ed. Short, whose brother died of starvation and whisky, as detailed in the Toronto Telegram some time ago, was not all for 30 days for drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

AMALGAMATION.—The Elmira Maple Leaf establishment has been sold to P. E. W. Moyer, Esq., late editor of the Waterloo Chronicle, and the subscribers to the former paper are to be supplied with the latter, or the Deutscher Canadian, at their option.

AN IRISH GIANTESS.—The London papers refer to the arrival of a young lady of Irish parentage whose stature fully entitles her to rank amongst the tallest of her species.

HER FINEST HOUR.—The female figure, appears dwarfed by her side. Her height is admirably proportioned to her height.

GUELPH TO ANIMALS.—We observe that a man named John Playter was fined \$10 by the Police Magistrate of Toronto, the other day, for striking a horse with a whip stalk.

GONE TO CHICAGO.—Our readers may remember of a stabbing affray at Acton some time ago, by a shoemaker named Jeremiah Burrows, who was jealous of a laboring man named Jones, and cut him severely with a chisel.

THE MONTREAL TELEGRAPH LINE TO LISTOWEL will be erected about the first of May. The poles are all laid down, and so soon as the weather permits, men will be set to work placing them in position.

A society for the prevention of loafing is proposed in a neighbouring town. Such a society would have its hands full in this.

A typographical mistake of a c for an i made a paper say: "A cowmotive ran over a cow and cut it into calves."

BY TELEGRAPH

PER ATLANTIC CABLE.

Despatches to the Evening Mercury

MADRID, April 2.—Troops are going forward to the Pyrenees to prevent parties of Carlists from crossing the frontier into Spain.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 2.—The Sublime Porte has agreed with the Persian Government to refer the responsibilities of the frontier to a mixed Commission of Turkish and Persian subjects.

LONDON, April 2.—Another dreadful colliery explosion occurred yesterday at the Oxley colliery in Lancashire.

INFANTICIDE.

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The Ballot in England.

In the British Parliament, 16th March, Mr. Leatham introduced the question of the Ballot. He needed no apology for adopting this course; but if any explanation were necessary, the one he gave was as explicit and satisfactory as could have been desired. A select committee has, it is true, been appointed to inquire into the present modes of conducting parliamentary elections; but in a matter so grave, and with facts illustrative of the evils of the existing system daily multiplying, it is impossible that honest men can allow discussion to be stifled. That the committee will report in favour of the expediency of the proposed measure is more than probable; but, after all, the ultimate decision will remain with Parliament, and debates which shed light on the subject, and contribute to the formation of a sound judgment upon it, will assist both the Legislature and the public to a righteous conclusion. Mr. Leatham's motion, too, had a definite object, which established a direct relation between it and the impending investigation. He moved "That it be an instruction to the select committee to take into consideration the various methods of taking votes by Ballot which are at present in use in various portions of the British Empire and in other countries, together with any modifications thereof which may be suggested, and to report upon the most efficient and convenient system of balloting." This opens up a practical field of enquiry which will be of essential use in the final settlement of the question.

It is rather singular that in slow-going England, public opinion in favour of the ballot is much more advanced than in Canada, and it is likely that the manner in which many of the election contests in Great Britain were conducted last fall, has given fresh arguments for the statesmen of that country for the introduction of the ballot-box. England and Canada stand almost alone in the practice of open voting. The people of Germany, the Scandinavian Kingdoms, Belgium, Switzerland, Greece, and regenerated Spain, regard the ballot-box as the conservator of national liberty and of purity of election. It is, therefore, a mode of voting not solely recommended to us by the approving voice of the Democratic communities of Australia and America; and Mr. Leatham, epitomizing the historical researches of Mr. Hepworth Dixon, showed that the ballot had once been a British institution; and that it had played, under the Stuarts, a no ignoble or unsuccessful part in the great struggle between freedom and kingly tyranny. Leaving these reminiscences aside, however, the expediency of the ballot must be strictly determined by the actual facts of our present position—and it is the opinion of all that some check should be put upon the scandalous bribery cropping out in many an election contest from Gaspe to Amherstburgh.

An Earthquake in England.

The Leeds and Manchester papers are filled with accounts of an earthquake which occurred in the north of England on the 15th of March. The Manchester Examiner says: "A very distinct shock of earthquake was felt, of which we received the several accounts printed below. The time of the occurrence was a few minutes after six o'clock, and up to the time we write the accounts received concur in representing the East Lancashire district as that in which the vibration was the sharpest. In Manchester the shock was very slightly experienced, but the confirmation of different and perfectly independent witnesses in the city leaves no doubt that their sensation of a very unusual and peculiar shaking of the ground occurred in point of time with the more violent trembling reported from other towns." It would appear, as far as can be generalized from the reports to hand, that the shock was the most sharply experienced on the more elevated points of the district affected. A Rawtenstall correspondent says that in that town people ran out of their houses, and the streets were instantly filled with persons describing the severe nature of the shock they had experienced. Door-knockers and bells were rung, and crockery ware and windows were shaken. The shock only lasted a few seconds, but was very severe. The writer was walking in the street, and the shock was severe enough to cause him to reel. A Sowby by Bridge letter says that the sensation experienced there was very much like the shock that was felt when the locomotive exploded in the tunnel at Sowerby Bridge Station. At Bacup there was "a sensible heaving of the earth as of the passing of an underground wave." At Blackburn an informant observed the ground to heave gently, like the undulations of the waves.

BUNCOMB.—The following resolution was sought to be offered in Congress, but, objections being made, failed: Resolved—That the Committee on Foreign Affairs be, and they are hereby instructed to inquire into the expediency of investigating the condition of our relations, present and prospective, with Nova Scotia, and that they be authorized to report to the House at any time.

LIBERAL TRIUMPH IN ENGLAND.—The election to Parliament of Mr. Miall, the editor of the Nonconformist, for the constituency of Bradford, by a majority of fifteen hundred votes, is a grand victory for the English Liberals. Mr. Miall was one of the earliest advocates of the disengagement of the Irish Church, and his journal exercises an immense influence throughout the country in that direction. He is a man of great ability, and for the vast services he has rendered to the Liberal cause, he fully merits the honor conferred on him by the electors of Bradford.

Dr. F. S. Taule, who was in Guelph for some time last summer, died suddenly at the Albion Hotel, Montreal, on Monday last. He was of intemperate habits, and the coroner's jury returned a verdict of "died from suffocation while in a state of intoxication."

NO BLOWING AT J. & D. MARTIN'S

FOR GOOD AND CHEAP Groceries, China, Crockery & Glassware

POTATOES AND APPLES ALWAYS ON HAND AT J. & D. MARTIN'S, Wyndham Street, Guelph, 3rd April.

PETRIE'S Furniture Cream! Producing, with half the usual labor, a most BRILLIANT POLISH

On all kinds of Cabinet & French Polished Furniture, Varnished and Japaned articles of every description DIRECTIONS FOR USE: Shake the bottle well, and apply a small quantity with a woollen cloth, on the article to be polished; continue rubbing for a few minutes, then finish off with a clean soft rag, when a most beautiful polish will be produced.

PREPARED ONLY BY A. B. PETRIE, Chemist, Corbet's Block, Guelph. Guelph, 3rd April.

LUMBER, LUMBER. GOWDY & STEWART, In returning their sincere thanks to their numerous customers for past favors, beg to inform them that to enable them to carry on their steadily increasing business, they have found it necessary to REMOVE to the large and long established Lumber Yard of THOMAS McCRAE, Esq., in rear of the Alma Block.

WOOLWICH STREET GUELPH, Where they keep constantly on hand all kinds of LUMBER, from 1 x 3 Battens to Joisting 30 feet long, and cut to order all kinds of Bill Stuff on short notice.

DRESSED LUMBER! Of all kinds on hand, or dressed to order. Their Saw Mills being near Georgetown Station, they can ship lumber to any point on the Grand Trunk, East or West. They invite from intending purchasers an inspection of their large stock.

GOWDY & STEWART, Guelph, 3rd April, 1869.

LUMBER YARD, Upper Wyndham-st. Guelph.

OLD FACE IN THE OLD PLACE. The subscriber begs to inform the public that he has commenced the lumber business in the old stand occupied by GOWDY & STEWART.

Opposite the Alma Block, Guelph Where all kinds of Lumber will be kept constantly on hand. Bills cut to order on short notice.

Also, Water Lime and Calcine Plaster, and Flour and Feed of all kinds cheap for cash as usual. By strict attention to business, he trusts to share a part of public patronage.

PEDDLING WAGON FOR SALE. For sale, the Confectionery Peddling Wagon owned by the subscriber. It is in good running order. Apply to the owner, JAMES HOBAN, Pashin, or at the Mercantile Office, Pashin, on 2nd April. 6141

GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN, Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law, Solicitors in Chancery, &c., GUELPH, Ontario.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1864-5. The creditors of the undersigned are notified to meet at the office of William Mortimer Clark, Esq., in the City of Toronto.

ON MONDAY, 19th OF APRIL, 1869. At 4 o'clock, p. m., to receive statements of his affairs, and to name an assignee.

TENDERS WANTED. SEALED TENDERS will be received up to THURSDAY, THE 8th OF APRIL, '69, For the erecting of a Stable and Carriage House for JOHN HOISMAN, Esq., in the Town of Guelph.

NEW STONE STORE. Scaled Tenders will be received up to FRIDAY, the 9th of APRIL, For the Mason, Bricklayer, Carpenter, Joiner, Plaster, Iron Founder, Glazier and Tinsmith work for a new Stone Store for H. BERRY, Esq.

EDUCATIONAL. MRS. WM. BUDD, Organist of the Congregational Church. Begs to inform her Pupils and friends that her School will re-open MONDAY, 4th JANUARY, 1869. She will also be prepared to give Private Lessons on the Organ, Piano and Melodeon. Residence: Norfolk Street, Guelph. December 30. do ly

PETRIE'S ORANGES WHOLESALE. GEO. WILKINSON GUELPH. Has just received a large consignment of

MESSINA ORANGES At low rates to the trade. Wholesale and Retail GEORGE WILKINSON. Guelph, 3rd April.

HOUSE WANTED. Wanted to rent, between now and the 1st of May, a house containing four or five apartments. Any one having such a house to let, will please leave their name and address at MERCURY OFFICE, Guelph, 2nd April.

BASE BALL. The regular annual meeting of the GUELPH MAPLE LEAF BASE BALL CLUB, for the election of officers for the ensuing year, and general business, will take place at Nichols' Court House Hotel, ON MONDAY EVENING, APRIL 5, AT 7.30 o'clock. A full attendance of members is particularly requested. WM. SUNLEY, Secretary. do 4

HORSES FOR SALE. For sale 2 span of good working Horses, without harness. ALSO, Two young Galloway Bulls. Apply to THOMAS McCRAE, Janefield, Guelph, 4th S.W. 1

BOARD WANTED. A gentleman and wife wish to hire a bed room and parlour on ground that if possible - and board. A private family preferred. Address with terms - C. G. H., Mercantile Office, Guelph, Mar. 30. TULSBAT

WHITEWASHING AND WALL COLOURING. Done by WILLIAM DAVIS, Waterloo Street, in rear of Messrs. Robins and Tolson's granary, near the Grand Trunk Station. Guelph, March 31. do 30

SITUATION WANTED. Wanted by a young lad, aged 16 years, a situation in a store. Is a good scholar - can write well, and is quick at figures. Remuneration not so much an object as a situation, as advertiser is desirous of learning the mercantile business. Apply to J. R., Mercantile office, Guelph Guelph, 31st March. 6141

CAUTION. Herby notify all parties against purchasing or negotiating a promissory note made by me to William Hoover or order for the sum of \$100, dated the 21st of April, 1868, and payable in my office seven months after date, as I have received no value for the same, and shall not pay it. F. PREST. do 11

STRAW AND SILK MILLINERY. MISS LAWRENCE, (Successor to Mrs. Wm. Pringle). Will for the present season carry on the business in all its branches at the rooms lately occupied by Mrs. Pringle, a few doors north of the Post Office, Guelph, 31st March. do 10

HOUSE AND LOTS FOR SALE. For sale, in the Town of Guelph, a large 2-storey Frame Dwelling House, on the Waterloo Road, containing eight rooms and good cellar. There is also a never-failing well of water, capital stable and other out-buildings. There is attached to the premises 3 Town Lots, situated in what is known as Oliver's Survey, about ten minutes walk from the Market House. The house is in a desirable locality, and the terms are exceedingly moderate, which can be learned by applying to the premises, or to Mr. W. S. G. Knowles, Auctioneer, Guelph, Mar. 31. do 11

CO-PARTNERSHIP. The undersigned beg to inform the public that they have entered into partnership for carrying on the business of contractors and builders, and are prepared to execute all orders for building in stone or brick. Any Quantity of Stone on Hand and Cut to Order, To suit purchasers. All orders left at the store of Hirsch & Kennedy, Produce Merchants, West Market Square, Guelph, will receive prompt attention. PIKE & DAVIDSON. do 11

TENDERS WANTED. SEALED TENDERS will be received up to THURSDAY, THE 8th OF APRIL, '69, For the erecting of a Stable and Carriage House for JOHN HOISMAN, Esq., in the Town of Guelph.

NEW STONE STORE. Scaled Tenders will be received up to FRIDAY, the 9th of APRIL, For the Mason, Bricklayer, Carpenter, Joiner, Plaster, Iron Founder, Glazier and Tinsmith work for a new Stone Store for H. BERRY, Esq.

EDUCATIONAL. MRS. WM. BUDD, Organist of the Congregational Church. Begs to inform her Pupils and friends that her School will re-open MONDAY, 4th JANUARY, 1869. She will also be prepared to give Private Lessons on the Organ, Piano and Melodeon. Residence: Norfolk Street, Guelph. December 30. do ly

DOWN WITH THE PRICES. E. O'DONNELL & CO

To make room for their SPRING STOCK, just purchased, amounting to \$15,000, have decided to offer the balance of their Winter Stock at FIRST COST from now till

THE 15th DAY OF APRIL NOW IS THE TIME TO GET BARGAINS.

SUGARS AND SYRUPS BELOW WHOLESALE PRICES.

TEAS, TEAS! E. O'DONNELL & CO'S

Well-known \$1 Tea for 90c. per lb. Good 50c. Tea for 65c. per lb. Fine Black Tea for 50c. per lb. Splendid Mixed Tea for 60c.

SUNDRIES

Dried Apples, White Beans, Fresh Prunes, Factory Cheese, Fresh Butter, Fresh Eggs, No. 1 Flour, Oatmeal and Cornmeal.

PRESSED AND CUT GLASS

Of all kinds, shapes and varieties, together with the finest assortment and best varied of Fine, Fancy and General Groceries, &c., in the County of Wellington. Leave your orders at the Cheapest Family Grocery in Guelph. All Goods WARRANTED to give satisfaction, if not the MONEY will be returned.

E. O'DONNELL & CO. Guelph, 2nd April, 1869.

Guelph, Ontario.

We have pleasure in making known to you the arrival of all of our IMPORTATIONS DIRECT FROM THE PLACES OF PRODUCTION for the Spring Trade, and of saying that at no previous time have we been in the same position to offer you such an assortment to select from; the Varieties of Styles, Fabrics and Novelties in the various Departments are so varied and new that they call for an immediate inspection, in order that the taste and care shown in purchasing be fully appreciated.

We are safe in saying that no other House in the business in Guelph can approach the variety of our Stock to select from; and the prices at which our entire Stock will be offered must command immediate sale.

We are desirous of impressing this fact upon all intending buyers, that it is UTTERLY IMPOSSIBLE for any other House in the Trade TO COMPETE WITH US, for this reason: We have no second profit to pay; we buy direct from the Manufacturers in Britain ourselves; and as all others in the Dry Goods business here purchase their Goods at second hand from wholesale houses in Montreal, Toronto and Hamilton; paying these importers their profit (as a profit they must have) and then adding their own profit on before selling you the Goods here, it certainly cannot fail to convince you of the great truth that we assert, that our Goods must be at least twenty per cent under ordinary prices in other Stores in Guelph.

A call is respectfully solicited, when we feel confident that we will show you to your entire satisfaction that we are working for the mutual advantage of each. Yours very respectfully, HOGG & CHANCE.

GUELPH CLOTH HALL!

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HAVE JUST RECEIVED A CHOICE SELECTION OF SPRING AND SUMMER COATINGS, VESTINGS, TROUSERINGS, SILK HATS, DRAB HATS, FELT HATS, TWEED CAPS,

Dress Shirts, Fancy Flannel Shirts Collars, Ties, Cloves, Cents' Hose, Braces, &c.

CUSTOM WORK. ALL ORDERS executed in the LATEST STYLES, with the BEST OF TRIMMINGS and WORKMANSHIP.

SHAW & MURTON, Wyndham Street, Guelph, 2nd April, 1869.

DR. BRIGGS' THROAT AND LUNG HEALER.

Is one of the safest and most reliable Remedies in existence for the speedy cure of Coughs, Colds, Influenza, Bronchitis, Hoarseness, Whooping Cough, Croup, Sore Throat, Asthma, Diphtheria, Difficulty of Breathing, Phthisis, Pain in the Side and Breast, Quinsy, Bleeding of the Lungs, and all diseases of the Throat, Lungs and Chest, including that worst of diseases—Consumption. This remedy is also valuable in Liver Complaint, Inflammation of the Kidneys or Urinary Organs, and all Internal Inflammations. The really superior remedy should be in the possession of every family, as a timely use of it in case of a recent cold will afford immediate relief, while cases of long standing and of apparently incurable character readily yield to its wonderful soothing and curative properties. Its universal adaptation to the wants of mankind makes it an indispensable necessity in every household. The Balsamic virtues of the Wild Evergreen as an agent in the cure of the numerous diseases of the Throat, Lungs and Chest, which always in our ever varying climate prevail in a greater or less degree are well known, but the power of relieving, healing and during these diseases is enhanced when by scientific principles it is combined with other ingredients of equal value as healing agents. Until recently that terrible disease, Consumption, has been considered an affliction beyond the reach of medicine, or the healing art. But a new era in the management of Pulmonary Diseases seems to be dawning upon the scientific medical world, and since many distinguished physicians have acknowledged that CONSUMPTION CAN BE CURED, few there are who attempt to controvert their opinion. Price \$1.00.

Dr. J. Briggs' Unrivalled Pile Remedy.

Is mild, yet efficacious, and warranted to cure Internal, External, Bleeding and Itching Piles, in the most satisfactory manner, without the least unpleasant sensation. It is well known that thousands upon thousands have been afflicted with this disease, many of whom have sought for relief, but have gone to their long homes without it. The number is innumerable who are dragging out a miserable existence at the present day, searching and trying for a remedy. We would say to those who suffer, go and get a box of Briggs' Pile Remedy, and the trial will not be in vain. The relief is immediate, and a cure soon effected. Price \$1.00.

Dr. J. Briggs' Modern Curative

Is without doubt the purest, mildest and most efficacious remedy ever discovered for the immediate relief and rapid cure of Coma, Bunion, Ingrowing Nails, Chilblains, Frosted Feet, and also all Flesh Wounds and Skin Diseases, such as Cuts, Bruises, Scalds and Frost Bites, Bites of Insects, Sore Lips, Sore Noses, Chapped Hands, Erysipelas, Salt Rheum, Ringworms, Ulcers, Sore Feet, Festered, Chafed Flesh, Sore Nipples, Chafed Breasts, Cancerous Sores, White Swellings, Scald Head, Scoury, Gunshot Wounds, &c. The proprietor in offering this compound to the public has the most unshaken confidence in its success, as it is composed of the most healing and pain-relieving substance known to mankind. The Curative, from the purity of its ingredients, will remain for years as sweet as when first made—Lard, suet, and other animal fat or oily substance have had their day. It is well known that the Scrotal Salves and Ointments in the market soon become rancid and unfit for use. This Modern Curative is the best household remedy in the world—simple and pleasant in its application, certain and effectual in its results. Price 50 cts. and \$1.

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REFORD & DILLON. Toronto, 31st March.

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A choice collection of Fine English CHROMOS! After the best Masters: REED, PENLEY, COX, PEARSON, ROE, RICHARDSON, and others, now on exhibition at THORNTON'S New Cheap Bookstore. Guelph, April 2.

TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER

Will be received until half-past seven o'clock p.m. on MONDAY the 23rd day of April next. Applicants to name three good and sufficient sureties for \$4,000 each. JAMES HOGG, Town Clerk. Guelph, 24th March, 1869.

MONEY TO LEND.

The undersigned are requested to obtain Pawn Securities for several thousand dollars, to be loaned at moderate interest. LEMON & PETERSON, Barristers, Solicitors, etc. Guelph Dec. 9th, 1868.

Editorial Items.
NEWS FROM INDIA.—The English Governor General in India, Lord Mayo, has received a visit from Shere Ali, the ruler of Afghanistan. The visit is considered in India an important event, and Shere Ali was therefore received with great splendour.

THE VISIT OF THE PRINCE OF WALES TO THE NILE.—The Prince and Princess of Wales arrived at Luxor on the 16th ult., where they visited the Temple and also the Valley of Kings. Some amusement was afforded by crowds of Arab children that kept up with the party, offering all kinds of antiquities for sale, and loudly vociferating for "backsheesh." Lunch was taken in the tomb of Rameses IX. A visit was paid to the Temple of Karnak by torchlight, the effect of which was heightened by numbers of salar and Arabs being placed with torches and rockets in every available crevice of the ruins. The whole fleet got around at Silis, near the first cataract, and all the steamers had to be lightened. Colonel Stanton's steamer had to be left behind.

WINE IN CALIFORNIA.—California papers represent that wine drinking and consequent intoxication on the Pacific coast is increasing to an alarming extent. Common wine is as abundant as milk, and often more freely drunk. In some counties wine is sold at thirty cents a gallon, while milk costs fifty cents, and in other counties their price is the same. Even women and children use wine as a beverage to such an extent as to cause grave apprehensions for the social morality of the people. As a consequence the use of whiskey and brandy is rapidly on the increase, and the blessing of cheap wine which Californians congratulated themselves upon, bids fair to prove an unmitigated curse to them.

TORONTO AND NIPISSING RAILWAY.—The Globe says that the By-law granting \$10,000 bonus from the township of Scott, in aid of the Nipissing Railway, was carried on Friday by a majority of fifty-two. There now only remains to vote the township of Whitechurch, \$15,000, and the township of Cardon \$12,000. The exact amount voted is \$399,000; and when the Cardon and Whitechurch by-laws are carried, the grand total will be \$426,000 for the Nipissing Railway.

TENURE OF OFFICE BILL.—The Times special says:—The friends of repealing the Tenure-of-Office Act are greatly mortified at the compromise effected. It is found that the Senate retains all the power it had. All the Senate has to do to restore a suspended officer, is to fail to report on a nomination; and the suspended officer will have to be reinstated. It is understood that Attorney-General Hoare is of opinion the Bill ought not to become a law.

WALKERTON VOLUNTEER COMPANY.—The Walkerton company of volunteers has been accepted. For some reason, probably lateness in returning the roll, it was not gazetted, and it was stated that the Government had received the required number. A correspondence took place between the military authorities and Lt.-Col. Sprout, concerning the omission, and we are glad to see that he succeeded in getting the company accepted. A Drill Shed is about to be erected in Walkerton.

LOOKING OUT FOR NUMBER ONE.—The Quebec Legislature, it is said, will be prorogued on Friday next, the Ministry not having been able to weather the storm. They have agreed, however, to increase the indemnity of members to \$600 per session. This was opposed by Mr. Joly, the leader of the Opposition, and it was proposed that the sum be fixed at \$450; but the ministerial proposition proved the most acceptable by a vote of 14 to 29.

Delegates from South America have arrived in Paris for the purpose of soliciting the Academy of Science to appoint a commission of savans to inquire into the causes of the frightful earthquakes which have of late caused such destruction of life and property. Unfortunately the idea has appeared so chimerical that the petition has been rejected.

A Nashville druggist has invented a rat bait made of preparation of phosphorus. You first catch the rat and then you paint him. After dark he looks like a ball of fire, and going among his fellow rats, they get scared to death at the "light of his countenance," and vacate the premises, the "bright, particular" rat following and hurrying up the rear.

"J. R. A." desires some one in authority to give, if he can, a reason why dogs should be permitted to run about the streets with so much freedom, and would like to know whether they legally enjoy any greater immunity than pigs or cattle. He thinks the authorities or the legislature should take the matter in hand.

A conductor in a discussion as to speed said he ran his train so fast that telegraph poles on the side of the track looked like a fine tooth comb.

NEURALGIA, OR TRO-DOL-GRUX, is one of the most painful affections to which the human family is subject. It more commonly occurs in the nerves of the face, though it is met with in different parts of the head, in the breast, hip-joint, and in other parts of the body and limbs. Its attacks are sudden and the paroxysms of pain varies in its duration. The pain is agonising, excruciating, and shooting along the nerves like a shock of electricity, frequently feeling as if red-hot wire were thrust into the parts, and after the pain passes away, a numbness remains for awhile. At these times, instead of attacking suddenly, it comes with a slight heat, or sense of itching or numbness, which augments in severity more or less rapidly. The pain increases from time to time until it becomes almost insupportable. Dr. Brigg's Elevation is a positive remedy. Sold by E. Harvey & Co., Guelph, and druggists and country merchants everywhere.

Special Notices.

DYSPEPSIA.
There is no disease which experience has so amply proved to be remediable by the **PERUVIAN SYRUP.** (a protected solution of the Protoxide of Iron), as Dyspepsia. The most inveterate forms of this disease have been completely cured by this medicine, as ample testimony of some of our first citizens proves.

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Dunham, C. E.—I am an inveterate Dyspeptic of more than 25 years standing. I have been so wonderfully benefited in the three short weeks during which I have used the Peruvian Syrup, that I can scarcely persuade myself of the reality. Persons who have known me are astonished at the change. I am widely known, and can but recommend to others that which has done so much for me.

Another clergyman writes as follows:—My voyage to Europe has been indefinitely postponed. I have discovered the "Fontaine of Health," on this side of the Atlantic. Three bottles of Peruvian Syrup have rescued me from the fangs of the most Dyspeptic.

J. P. DINSMORE, Proprietor, 36 Dey Street, New York. Apr 2—4w

HALL'S VEGETABLE SICILIAN HAIR RENEWER.

Is the best article known to preserve the hair. It will positively restore gray hair to its original and promote its growth. It is an entirely new scientific discovery, combining many of the most powerful and restorative agents in the vegetable kingdom. It makes the hair smooth and glossy, and does not stain the skin. It is recommended and used by the first medical authority. For sale by all druggists. Price \$1. R. P. HALL & Co., Nassau, N. Y., proprietors, mar 12 dwim

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The Music to be performed at

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To be held in Boston in June, 1869, comprising Fifteen Choruses from Oratorios and Masses. Just published and ready for sale. Price 50 cents. Sent post-paid on receipt of price. Oliver Ditson & Co., Publishers, 477 Washington Street, Boston. Chas. H. Ditson & Co., 711 Broadway, N. Y. dw

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This splendid Hair Dye is the best in the world. The only true and perfect Dye—Harmless, Reliable, Instantaneous. No disappointment. No noxious ingredients. Remedies the effects of Dyes. Invigorates and restores the hair soft and beautiful brown or black. Sold by all Druggists and Perfumers, and properly applied at Bachelor's Wig Factor, No. 14, Bond St., N. Y. dw

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COMMERCIAL.

Guelph Markets.

MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH, I April 3, 1869.

Flour # 100 lbs	\$ 2 00	\$ 2 25
Fall Wheat # bush	.....	0 93	.....	0 98
Spring Wheat # bush	.....	0 90	.....	0 91
Oats # bush	.....	55	.....	55
Peas # bush	.....	0 75	.....	0 75
Barley do	.....	1 15	.....	1 25
Hay # ton	.....	16 00	.....	15 50
Straw	.....	3 00	.....	4 00
Shingles # square	.....	1 00	.....	1 50
Wood # cord	.....	3 00	.....	3 25
Wood # cord	.....	0 24	.....	0 25
Eggs # dozen	.....	0 18	.....	0 20
Butter (store packed) # lb	.....	0 17	.....	0 20
do (daily packed) # lb	.....	0 20	.....	0 25
Geese, each	.....	0 35	.....	0 40
Turkeys each	.....	0 60	.....	1 20
Chickens # pair	.....	0 25	.....	0 25
Ducks, do	.....	0 40	.....	0 50
Potatoes per bag	.....	1 00	.....	1 12
Apples, # bag	.....	1 00	.....	1 25
Lamb # lb	.....	0 04	.....	0 05
Beef # lb	.....	4 00	.....	7 00
Beef # lb	.....	0 05	.....	0 12
Pork # 100 lbs	.....	7 00	.....	9 00
Sheep # lb	.....	0 50	.....	1 25
Lamb # lb	.....	0 50	.....	1 00
Hides	.....	0 60	.....	0 50

MONTEAL MARKET.

Kirkwood, Livingston & Co's report by spec Telegraph to 'Evening Mercury.' MONTREAL, April 3, 1869.

Flour—Extra, \$5 00 to \$5 10; Fancy, \$4 70 to \$4 80; Welland Canal Superfine, \$4 40 to \$4 45; Superfine No. 1 Canada wheat, \$4 52 to \$4 65; Superfine No. 1 Western wheat, \$4 95 to \$5 00; No. 2 do, \$4 20 to \$4 30; Best flour, \$2 25 to \$2 27; Wheat—Canada Fall, \$1 12 to \$1 14; Spring, \$1 07 to \$1 08; Western, \$1 10 to \$1 11; Oats, per 32 lbs, 45c to 46c; Barley, per 48 lbs \$1 10 to \$1 15; Butter—dairy 20c to 25c store packed 19c to 22c; Ashes—Pork \$5 50 to \$5 55; Hides—\$2 50 to \$2 55; Pork—\$8 00 to \$9 50; Peas, 88c to 90c.

Money Market.

JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE Guelph, April 3, 1869.
Gold, 13 1/2.
Greenbacks bought at 74 to 75; sold at 75 to 76.
Silver bought at 4 1/2; sold at 4 3/4.
Upper Canada Bank Bills bought at 55c to 60c.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, April 2.
Fall wheat, \$1 00 to \$1 00; spring wheat, \$0 96 to \$0 97; flour, No. 1 super \$4 00; No. 2 do \$3 50; barley \$1 15; peas, 76c to 78c; oats, 51c to 52c.

HAMILTON MARKETS.

HAMILTON, April 2.
Barley, 1 10 to 1 25; peas, 0 65 to 0 80; oats, 56c to 51c; spring wheat, 0 85 to 0 87; white wheat, 0 95 to 1 00; red winter, 0 85 to 0 88.

Commercial Union Assurance Company,

CHIEF OFFICES—19 & 20 CORNHILL, LONDON, ENGLAND.
CAPITAL, £2,500,000.
Fire Department.
The success which has attended the Company's operations has been such as fully to realize the most sanguine expectations of the Directors, who have resolved to extend the business more fully, and now offer to the Canadian Public PERFECT SECURITY guaranteed by large subscribed capital and Invested Funds.
PROMPT SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS.—The Directors and General Agents, being gentlemen largely engaged in commerce, will take a liberal and business like view of all questions coming before them.
Life Department.
Volunteers assured in this Company are permitted, without extra charge, to do duty on the Frontier, and to engage in repelling marauding attacks.
Eighty per cent. of the Profits of the whole Life and Annuity business are divided among participating Policy Holders.
Claims are paid one month after Proof of Death.
By a recent Act of Parliament a Wife can now hold a Policy on the life of her Husband free from all other claims.
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FREDERICK COLE, Secretary.—Inspector of Agencies, T. C. LEVINGS, P.L.S., Upper Canada.
Guelph, Feb. 6, 1869. dw
Trotter & Graham, Agents for G. elph.

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THIS EVENING.

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For sale by the cord, half-cord and quarter cord, and delivered in any part of the Town. 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.
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Return Tickets at reduced rates. Prepaid Passages Certificates issued to bring friends out, at the lowest rates. For Tickets, at-rooms every information apply to
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Guelph, April 1, 1868

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Storage - - - - 20 "
Berths not secured until paid for. For further particulars apply to
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Fare from Hamilton to New York \$7, gold value hamilton 1st June, 1868

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Guelph, Dec. 1. dw 1y

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GUELPH AND BRAMPTON
LICENTIATES OF DENTAL SURGERY
Successors in office to Trotter
Office over Higinbotham's Drugstore
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Exhibition Twice a Week
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- Lamp Chimneys
- Specia Jars, Japanned Ware.
- &c. &c. &c.

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STOCK TAKING OVER

BRADFORD HOUSE

AT THE
THE GREAT

Clearing Sale!

Will commence on Wednesday, 10th March, and continue for two weeks.
During which time great bargains will be given to make room for our

EARLY SPRING PURCHASES.

Intending purchasers must call early, as our Clearing Sale don't last all the year round.

GREAT BARGAINS

In Whitney Plush and Seal Jackets at \$1.50 An immense lot of Fancy at half-price. The balance of Shawls to be sold very low.

Our Dress Stock, as usual, must be Cleared Out,

Regardless of Cost. Millinery Goods at a fearful sacrifice. Trimmed Bonnets less than half price, Trimmed Hats too low to mention. Large lot Remnants of Dress Goods—fearful bargains.

REMNANT PRINTS ALMOST GIVEN AWAY.

In fact nothing in the place will be sold over cost price, as we intend to make extensive alterations on the premises this Spring, and our Importations will be much larger than ever they have been before.

PHILIP BISH.

Wyndham Street, Guelph, March 9. dw