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All Manufactured by himself in Guelph. Dealers are requested to call and examine my stock and prices, and they will find a more liberal article than any Imported Work, and their price as low as the lowest. Terms, Liberal.

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References—Drs. Clark & Orin, Mr. Guire, Herod and Mc Gregor and Cowan, Guelph; Drs. Buchanan and Phillips, Toronto; Drs. Elliott and Mayes, Dentists, London. Teeth extracted without pain. Guelph, 10th Jan, 1869 dw

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JUST ARRIVED Direct from Labrador.

50 Bbls Prime Labrador Herring

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A full ASSORTMENT OF COFFINS always on hand.

Funerals furnished if required. Carpenter work done as usual. Premises, a few doors north of Post Office, and next D. Guthrie's Law Office, Douglas Street, Guelph.

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NOTICE TO DEBTORS.

ESTATE LATE DR. PARKER.

The Executors of the late Dr. Parker have placed the Medical Accounts of the said Estate in the hands of Mr. R. MEREDITH for collection, who is authorized to grant receipts for the same. He will be found at the store of Messrs. C. & T. Meredith, west side of Wyndham Street, a few doors below the Old Post Office. All accounts not paid by 1st February next will be put in suit in the Division Court.

GEORGE ELLIOTT, N. HIGGINBOTHAM, EDWARD BLAKE, Executors.

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. Sharpe's Seditore. 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. Co. accommodation for Boarders by the week at reasonable rates. Guelph, 10th Jan, 1869 dwly

Evening Mercury.

THURSDAY EV'G, JAN. 14TH, 1869.

THE WEATHER remains clear and cold, with as yet no indications of snow. The sleighing is very poor, and of course trade is not so good as it would be were the weather more wintry. We will doubtless have to pay for these fine, sunny days before January bids us farewell.

FORTHCOMING CONCERT.—We understand that Miss L. Rheumie will give a concert in the Town Hall early in February under the patronage of Archdeacon Palmer and the Masonic Fraternity of Guelph. From the fact that some of our best local talent will take part in the concert there is good reason to believe that it will be a first-class one, and well patronized.

FIREMEN'S MEETING.—A meeting of the Guelph Fire Company was held at their hall yesterday evening (Wednesday), when the following members were elected officers for the current term:—P. Bish, Captain; R. Galbraith, 1st Lieutenant; 2nd do., J. McNeil; 1st branchman, J. Curtis, 2nd do., D. Naismith. There was a fair attendance of the members of the company.

MR. ROSS'S MEETINGS.—A meeting was held at Mimosa, on Monday last, at which was a fair attendance of electors—Mr. Robt. Williamson in the chair. Mr. James Ross delivered an address, and at the conclusion, Mr. Anderson moved, and Mr. McDougall seconded a vote of confidence in Mr. Ross, which was carried unanimously.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—As the Hamilton and Guelph choir, who proposed giving a concert in Arthur village last evening, were entering that village they were passing a team, when the wagon upset, severely injuring Miss Duggan (who had her shoulder dislocated) and Miss Jeanie Fraser and Miss Lemmon were slightly bruised. The concert, however, came off, and was a perfect success. Misses Duggan and Lemmon were unable to take part in the proceedings.

PACKING HOUSE SALES.—Mr. Brill, of the Wellington Packing House, the other day sold 900 barrels of prime heavy mess pork for the lumbermen in the Ottawa district. This shows that the Guelph pork answers the Ottawa as well as the Toronto or foreign markets. He also shipped the other day 100 boxes of bacon, and 150 barrels of English prime mess pork to Liverpool; also 200 kegs of lard. This shows that the Wellington Packing House is turning out large quantities of cured meats, and we hope soon to see the business doubled.

GOING TO BUILD.—Mr. J. T. Brill, with the commendable enterprise which he has so signally manifested since he came to Guelph, has recently purchased the lot fronting on Gordon-street, on which Oakes Tavern formerly stood. Mr. Brill will in the spring put up on the lot a large storehouse with a dwelling house overhead. This will be a great improvement to the present unsightly ruin, and we hope that Mr. Brill's speculation will turn out a profitable one to him.

NARROW ESCAPE.—On Monday evening, about 7 o'clock, as two gentlemen were driving to Fergus, with a spirited team, part of the harness gave way while going down the hill leading to the village. The horses ran away at full speed, and ran into the stage wagon in front of White's hotel, which was lying near the centre of the road, where it should not have been. Both gents were thrown out—one of them being precipitated some fourteen feet, and falling on his head, sustained considerable injury. The wagon was completely smashed.

TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.—It was announced at the weekly meeting held on Tuesday evening that a visit from Mr. G. Easton was expected at an early date.—Mr. Easton has been for many years one of the lecturing agents for the "Scottish Temperance League," and is universally esteemed. In the opinion of confident judges, he is one of the most able, eloquent, and popular advocates of the Temperance cause in Scotland. He is well known, and his talents appreciated by not a few who are now residents of this town and neighbourhood. It is hoped his visit to Guelph will be the means of largely extending the influence of the Temperance Society, thus bringing peace and happiness to many a family who are now suffering severely from the prevailing scourge of intemperance.

PRESENTATION.—The Rev. Mr. Reeve, lately inducted to the charge of the Rockwood and Eden Mills congregations, was presented by the young people of his flock from Eden Mills, with a splendid cutter built by Mr. Wm. Armstrong, of Guelph, and capital whip, at a surprise party the other evening.

BARN BURNED.—On Monday evening, the barn with its contents, belonging to Dr. Bowley of Waterloo, was burned. The fire was discovered about 8.30 p.m., and spread so rapidly that the effort to save anything was impossible. Four horses and two cows were destroyed, together with a large amount of hay, wheat &c. Loss about \$2,500; partially covered by insurance of \$1,000 in the Waterloo Insurance Company.

A thrifty Scotchman, describing the extravagance of London, related to a friend that he hadn't been there above half a day when "bang went saxepe."

Guelph Horticultural Society.

The annual meeting of the above society was held yesterday at Ella's Hotel. The secretary, Mr. Geo. Murtou, read the following

ANNUAL REPORT.

The Directors, in making their annual report, would call the attention of members to the financial statement of the Treasurer for the past year. At the beginning of the year there was a balance on hand of \$121; members' subscriptions, \$168.00; receipts at doors, \$34.24; premium bills, \$5.00; Government grant, \$123.88—total, receipts, \$337.33. Paid premiums, Spring show, \$53.75; Fall show, \$146.50; paid judges, \$10; band, \$10; printing, \$39.75; tin plates (twelve dozen), painting, &c., \$14.60; incidental expenses, \$19.52, leaving a balance in the Treasurer's hands of \$102.1.

The Spring Show was held on June 30th, but owing to the Drill Shed being occupied, it was agreed to postpone it to July 3rd, when an excellent display took place. The entries exceeded those of any previous year, and the articles exhibited were very creditable for this part of the country so early in the season. The amount offered in premiums was \$104—amount paid, \$35.75.

The fall show was held on Tuesday, the 15th September. Owing to the severe drought during the summer, the display of horticultural products was not so good as we have seen at this time of the year, nor were the entries quite so numerous. Still all things considered, it showed that there is a spirit of emulation among our horticulturists, which will in time raise our Society so as to become one of the best in Ontario. Although we have many things to contend against, those gardeners who live in more favored localities being exempt from such late frosts in Spring, which prevents us from commencing operations so late in the season, and then we are liable to have our early vegetables and flowers destroyed. The show of flowers was not so good or so numerous as we are in the habit of seeing at our Fall Exhibitions, which must be attributed to the extreme dry weather during the summer, but our amateurs did the best they could, and made a very creditable display under the difficulties. In fruits there was also a falling off with the exception of plums, which were superior in quality, and in number of entries, far exceeding those shown at any previous show. Several new varieties were shown, which for size and quality were much admired.

Vegetables were better than could have been expected after such a period of dry weather, and the wonder was that such specimens could be found. Some of the roots especially were very fine, such as beets, parsnips and carrots. The former were without exception the best ever shown here. Some of our principal gardeners, a number of carter's at the Provincial Exhibition, at Hamilton, and carried off a good share of prizes in the horticultural department.

Since the last annual meeting, we are happy to state that a new Agricultural Bill has been passed by the Legislature of Ontario which aid is given to Horticultural Societies in the same proportion to the funds subscribed by the members as is given to Agricultural Societies. This has enabled the Directors to make considerable additions to the prize list, as will be seen by comparing the amounts offered in 1867 and 1868. They also hope that, by extending the list, they will induce more to join the Society.

The report then goes on to state that the Directors last year got the prize lists printed in pamphlet form, and recommended that the same be done again; also that they had procured a gross of plates in which to exhibit the vegetables, fruits, &c. The Directors also explain the cause in the falling off of the receipts at the door, caused at the first show, they think, by its postponement, and at the Fall Show from there being a circus in town the same day.

The report was adopted and the following officers were elected for the current year:—President, Arthur Hogge; Vice-President, Thos. Hallister; Secretary and Treasurer, Geo. Murtou; Directors, Thos. Saunders, Geo. Elliott, Chas. Sharpe, Jas. Hewer, John McNeil, Alfred Stronwger, Alex'r Glass, John Card, Thos. Holliday, Honorary Directors: Wm. Benham, A. A. Baker and David Allan. Delegates to Provincial Association, A. A. Baker and J. N. Johnston.

It was agreed that the Spring Show be held on Tuesday the 29th June, and the Fall Show on the 14th September.

The prize list was then revised, and after the customary vote of thanks the meeting adjourned.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

MON.—The election for this Township came off at Mono Centre, and resulted in the election of Mr. Geo. McMann to the Reeve's office for the eighteenth time by acclamation, and in the return of Mr. T. Elder to the Deputy Reeve'ship without opposition. The following returned are Messrs. J. Avison, Perry and G. Harshaw.

CALEDON.—An exciting election took place in Caledon, and resulted in the election by large majorities of Mr. A. McLaren as Reeve, Mr. D. Kirkwood as Deputy Reeve, and Messrs. Atkinson, Stokes and Little as Councillors.

AMARANTH.—Mr. C. Gillespie was returned as Reeve by acclamation, and Messrs. W. B. Bennett, H. Varcoe and J. Jenkins to the Council.

WEST GARAFRAXA.—The result of the election for the West division of this Township is as follows:—Reeve, Provobius elected by acclamation, John Dobbin; Councillors, Messrs. Gibson, Piper, McJellan and Mitchell. The following is the state of the poll at the close: Gibson, 234; Piper, 160; Mitchell, 133; McClelland, 132; Richardson, 85; Cull, 81; Wood, 60; Black, 67.

EAST GARAFRAXA.—The nomination for this Division took place at Reading, on Monday the 4th inst., and the election on Monday last, and resulted as follows: Reeve, Wm. H. Hunter; Councillors, Messrs. Hamilton, Semple, H. McGowan, and Henderson.

NORMANBY ELECTION.—The elections were decided somewhat queerly in Normanby. The Western part of the township, it appears, is inhabited chiefly by Germans, and the eastern by Irish and Scotch. The former are favourable to the Wellington Railway, the latter to the Toronto Narrow Gauge. On nomination day the Western men through some mistake, met at Ayton, but the returning officer not appearing, they repaired to Neustadt, where they appointed a returning officer, and elected by acclamation a Reeve, Deputy and Council. While this was going on, the proper official was taking nomination at the place appointed by By-law, in a school-house near the centre of the township, and the Western men elected the old councillor by acclamation.

BY TELEGRAPH PER ATLANTIC CABLE.

Despatches to the Evening Mercury.

Vienna, 13.—A circular from the Sublime Porte to the European Powers, justifying its recent action against Greece, is published here. It says that the Turkish Government do not expect that the Conference at Paris will arrive at any satisfactory result. The ultimatum sent to Greece was a declaration that the internal affairs of the Ottoman empire must not be interfered with. The Evening Post, official journal, said yesterday that Bismarck had told the Austrian minister at Berlin that the retention of Von Buerst in office would provoke serious action on the part of Prussia.

London, 13.—Reports of the capture by Turkish forces of members of the Cretan insurrectionary Government is confirmed. Four of the Cretan officials were killed, and the rest were taken prisoners.

Paris, 13.—The exclusion of the Grecian Ambassador threatens to break up the Conference. It is not considered probable that the Greek government will acquiesce, and its reply to the demand of its representative for instructions is not likely to prove favorable, in which case the Conference will, in all probability, adjourn indefinitely. In the meantime the plenipotentiaries have applied to their respective governments for further instructions. It is understood that Russia condemns the attitude which Greece has assumed towards the Conference.

New Orleans, 13.—The steamer *Hilde*, bound for Red River, ran aground and exploded her boiler last night. She was carried to the water's edge, and a total loss. Five or six persons were killed and twenty-five injured.

Syracuse, N. Y., 13.—At the afternoon session of the Episcopal Convention, Rev. F. D. Huntington was elected Bishop.

New York, 14.—The *Herald's* London special says despatches received from Madrid state that one of the Spanish former Maximilian's Mexican Generals is secretly engaged in that city making arrangements with a number of Spanish scientific and military officers, with the view placing Count Gergenti, brother of the ex-king of Naples, on the throne of Mexico. Two hundred officers of high rank are wanted to carry the movement into operation. Several of the European governments secretly assist to this enterprise. It is said that Napoleon favors the project.



DESPATCH FROM THE DUKE OF BUCKINGHAM.—The Government of Nova Scotia has received a despatch from the Colonial Secretary, in reply to minute of Executive Council protesting against Confederation. He maintains the statements already made in regard to the subject. Referring to the threat of withdrawing from the union, and seeking a connection with the States, the Duke says: "I leave it to the inhabitants of Nova Scotia, who have long desired, and I hope will still desire, the character of loyal and faithful subjects of Her Majesty, to judge of the announcement so confidently made on their behalf, as to the circumstances under which they will be disposed to withdraw their allegiance from the British Crown; and the means to which they will be prepared to resort for effecting that withdrawal."

Legislature of Ontario. Toronto, Jan. 13.

On motion of Hon. Mr. Richards, the House went into Committee on the Bill to amend the Free Grants and Homestead Act. Mr. Cumberland in the chair. Committee then rose, and reported the bill without amendment. Hon. Mr. Carling moved the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act for the encouragement of Agriculture, Horticulture, Arts and Manufactures. According to the Act passed last session parties voting at the annual meeting of the Agricultural Society were obliged to pay previous to the 1st of January. A few understood this, and hence they would not have an opportunity of voting. Another clause of the bill compelled the Board of Agriculture to make returns and balance their accounts on the 1st January in each year, and that all moneys are to be paid by cheque. The bill was read a second time and ordered to be referred to Committee of the Whole.

The House went into Committee on the Bill to amend the Acts respecting Division Courts. The bill provides that all judgments in Division Courts shall have the same force and effect as judgments of Courts of record. The clauses were agreed to. Mr. Wood moved the second reading of the bill respecting Tavern and Shop Licenses. He proposed to make the Provincial duty on tavern licenses, in cities, \$16 instead of \$7; in towns, \$13 instead of \$10; in townships and incorporated villages, \$10 instead of \$5. There might, perhaps, be some change; but the intention was to make the limit \$16 in cities, and to have the amounts in towns, townships and villages, in fair proportion to that. On vessels, the amount would be \$20 instead of \$5. On shop licenses it was proposed to impose a duty, for this reason—that, if there was no such duties, corporations would grant shop licenses, under which more profit, perhaps, could be made than under tavern licenses, because there would be no condition to provide accommodation for travelers. It was intended to impose a Provincial duty of \$12 on shop licenses. A number of petitions had been presented from different parts of the country against any change in the license law. He ventured to say, with deference to those who took a deep interest and felt warmly in regard to temperance, that those who had got up these petitions entirely misapprehended the object and scope of his bill. The design of the bill was to protect the revenue of the Province. Frauds inconceivable were practised all over the country with reference to the small duty which now existed, and if the House did not authorize steps to be taken to remedy the evil, they might as well throw the thing up altogether, for the amount received would scarcely pay the trouble of maintaining the fund. The objects he had in view in introducing the bill, were to protect the revenue, and to do away with the illicit traffic in ardent spirits—an object of great importance with a view to the protection of the morals of the people. He proposed to impose a fee of \$2 on the transfer of a license from one individual to another, for which there was no provision in the law as it now stood.

Mr. Gow said he was in hopes that the Treasurer would have abstained from introducing this Bill, considering the petitions which had flowed in against it. Besides, the law as it stood, was comparatively new. The less the municipalities had to do with the license law the better. He would rather have the Treasurer take the whole matter out of the hands of the municipalities. It was so hoped the Treasurer would postpone his Bill till next session. In one point, especially, he thought there ought to have been a change, and that was in the license fees. In cities \$10 ought to be exacted; in towns \$5; and in rural districts \$25 or \$30. After a lengthened debate the Bill was read a second time.

THE EUROPEAN CONFERENCE.—The Peace Conference at Paris opened, according to agreement, on Saturday. As all the Great Powers are anxious to preserve peace, it is reasonable to suppose that some sort of compromise will be forced upon both belligerents. For some unexplained reason the Grecian Ambassador, who was supposed would represent Greece in the Conference, has been refused participation in the session. He has protested against his exclusion, and appealed to the Grecian Government at Athens for instructions. The Conference will await the action of Greece in this matter. This may cause some temporary trouble, but we do not think it will permanently affect the objects sought for.

MONUMENT TO THE LATE LORD ELGIN.—This monument is destined for the Cathedral of Calcutta, and has been executed at the expense of the Government, in memory of the services of the late Earl of Elgin and Kincardine. It is a mural monument, Italian-Gothic in style, raised upon a table, or rather semi-table. The inscription runs thus:—"In memory of the Right Hon. James Bruce, Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, K. T. G. M. S. I. G. C. B. Viceroy and Governor-General of India, who died in the execution of his office, at Dharmasala, in Northern India, and there lies buried. This is erected by the Government of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, in recognition of the many eminent services rendered by him to his country in Jamaica, Canada, China, and India. Born July 26th, 1811; died November 20th, 1861." This inscription is incised in lettering gilt. The cost of the monument will be about \$200.

OUT AT THE END OF THE CENTRAL PACIFIC RAILROAD track they have a complete blacksmith shop permanently fixed on a wagon. It is moved along about three times a day to keep pace with the workmen. One team is detailed regularly to move the blacksmith shop.

Guelph Mechanics' Institute.

The annual meeting of the Guelph Farmers and Mechanics' Institute was held in the Town Hall last evening. There was a fair attendance of the members present, principally those who have worked for years for its furtherance and increased usefulness. The retiring President, Mr. Alex. Mackenzie, presented the following

REPORT:

In submitting their report for the year 1868, the Committee of the Guelph Mechanics' Institute has pleasure in testifying to its continued success and usefulness, and to the liberal support extended to it by the public. For the year ended the number of subscribers was two hundred. Upwards of two thousand volumes are on the shelves of the library; while during the year over three thousand volumes passed into circulation. The addition of new books has reached to over one hundred and seventy volumes. The Reading Room, which is supplied with daily and weekly newspapers, in addition to Reviews and Periodicals, has been well attended during the whole year. The sum of one hundred dollars has been appropriated for the purchase of books, and a further sum of sixty dollars has been paid for apparatus for the class lectures on chemistry in course of delivery by E. R. Howitt. In addition to one hundred dollars formerly appropriated, a like amount was this year added to the building fund. Your Committee repeats the acknowledgment of former committees to David Stirling, Esq., M. P., and P. Gow, Esq., M. P. F., for donations and Parliamentary papers; and to the Proprietors of the Guelph Herald, Advertiser and Mercury, and the Elora Observer, for the delivery of their respective papers free of expense. Frequent donations of papers, &c., have been received from Mr. T. J. Day, for which he merits thanks.

A valuable donation of a complete edition of the Encyclopedia Britannica, consisting of fifty volumes, has been made by James Anderson, Esq., of Springbank, Painsich, to whom as a slight acknowledgment an honorary membership of the Institute has been presented. Your Committee has much pleasure in acknowledging the great obligation which the Institute owes to Dr. Howitt for lectures formerly delivered, and now more particularly for the course of class lectures on chemistry upon which he has recently entered, and which are a source of both instruction and pleasure to those attending them. An appropriation of one hundred dollars made by your committee on this account has been supplemented by an equivalent sum from Government, which has been paid to the Treasurer. The funds at the credit of the Institute are: in hands of Treasurer \$181.14, building fund \$200—making a total of \$381.14. All of which is respectively submitted.

A. MACKENZIE, President. E. NEWTON, Secretary. The Treasurer, Mr. E. Newton, submitted the financial statement, which is as follows: To balance from January, 1868, \$286 82 Subscriptions ..... 384 00 Government grant ..... 100 00 \$770 82 By paid for printing, Herald, &c., \$ 2 08 " Mercury ..... 2 00 " Advertiser ..... 2 00 Wood and cutting ..... 20 75 Periodicals, T. J. Day ..... 56 21 R. Cuthbert ..... 4 50 Oil and lamps, J. Horsman ..... 6 23 W. Beattie ..... 2 50 W. Fraser ..... 2 95 Savings Bank ..... 200 00 Deputy Librarian ..... 2 00 Express charges and postage ..... 3 18 Bank, commission on Government grant ..... 0 35 Chemical apparatus ..... 60 00 Salary for Deputy Librarian ..... 225 00 Balance on hand ..... 181 14 \$770 82 Cash in Bank ..... \$178 50 " on hand ..... 2 61 \$181 14

A resolution was moved by Mr. Howard, seconded by Mr. D. Savage, to the effect that the resolution adding to clause No. 3, that all ex-Presidents of the Institute be ex-officio members of the General Committee, be rescinded, which was carried. Moved by Mr. Howard, seconded by Mr. McLagan, that no resolution appropriating any of the funds of the Institute for any purpose other than the ordinary expenditures of the Institute shall be passed without at least one month's notice of the same. Carried.

The following officers were then elected by ballot:—Mr. Charles Walker, President; Mr. G. B. Fraser, 1st Vice President; Mr. George Howard, 2nd Vice President; Mr. E. Newton, Secretary; Mr. Geo. W. Sandilands, Treasurer. COMMITTEE—Messrs. D. McCrae, McLagan, McKenzie, Dunn, D. Savage, Capt. Bruce, J. C. Allan, T. J. Day, Cuthbert, Pirie, McNeil, John Anderson. A vote of thanks was tendered to the retiring President for his punctual attendance during the year, and he interest he had generally manifested for the welfare of the Institute. The Committee will meet in the course of a few days to organize.

18,000,000 DOLLARS. The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company has accumulated a capital of over FORTY-EIGHT MILLION DOLLARS, and has arrived at the extraordinary condition where the income from Annual Interest alone is more than sufficient to pay all its losses. Who would not insure in such a company? GEORGE ROBBINS, Agent for Guelph. do 2t

SOCIAL AND CONCERT IN GUELPH TOWNSHIP.—The annual social and concert in connection with the School in sec. No. 4, Guelph Township, of which Mr. Hamilton is teacher, was held on Wednesday night. The large schoolroom was filled in every part, the audience being mostly young people belonging to the section, to which was added a fair sprinkling of the youth of both sexes from Guelph. Mr. John McCorkindale discharged the duties of chairman. After abundance of excellent tea and refreshments had been served by an efficient corps of waiters, the evening's entertainment, which was mainly of a musical character, was commenced and kept up with spirit until a late hour. The young ladies who sang were the Misses Holden, Miss Bruce, Miss Carter, Miss G. Pirie, and Miss Kennedy, all of whom rendered their pieces admirably, and were loudly applauded. The gentlemen and boy amateurs were so numerous, and the pieces they sang so many and of such a varied character, that it would take more space than we can afford to give their names. Suffice it to say that they all seemed to give great satisfaction, if one might judge from the hearty applause at the end of each piece. Mr. Hamilton and others played some airs on the melodeon very nicely. The happy company broke up about eleven o'clock. The proceeds, after paying expenses, will be devoted to the library fund.

THE GUELPH POLICE COURT.

Before T. W. Saunders, Esq., Police Magistrate. Thursday, Jan. 14th.—Thomas Hoban was brought up on complaint of Thomas Powell, who charged defendant with having assaulted him on Wednesday morning, at Powell's tavern, Waterloo Road. Thos. Moss, the first witness called, said that he saw four men quarrelling at Powell's. They broke the window at the top of the door, and one of them kicked complainant, and called the landlord some vulgar names. Richard Powell, father of the plaintiff, said he lived in the township of Guelph, and had seen defendant before. He and three others came to his place about 8 o'clock Wednesday morning, and called for four hot whiskeys, which were served, and three of them were drunk; the fourth one was split over the counter. They all refused to pay for the punch, and used outrageous language. Witness told them that if they left he did not care about the 20 cents. They still refused to go, and his son pushed them out. One of them hammered the door and smashed the window over it, while defendant had a pall in his hand which he would have thrown through the window had witness not interfered and prevented him. While witness's son was putting one of the four out, defendant came in and gave the complainant a severe kick in the stomach. They then left.

Cross examined.—I saw defendant with the pall in his hand when I went out, and I told him I would strike him if he threw it. I had the poker in my hand at the time. My son ran out with a cordwood stick, after he was kicked, and threw it at the party. I can't say whether prisoner drank his hot whiskey or not. The complainant, Thos. Powell, jr., was next called, but his evidence elicited nothing new. His worship, after giving Hoban some good advice, which it is to be hoped he will take, imposed a fine of \$5 and costs. Chas. Bolden, a teamster in the employ of Mr. J. W. B. Kelly, was charged by the Chief Constable with immoderate driving through the town, and fined the usual penalty of \$1 and costs.

BIRTHS. Gow.—At Guelph, on the 14th inst., the wife of James Gow, Esq., Inspector Inland Revenue, of a son.

New Advertisements.

PUBLIC NOTICE. The subscriber has to intimate that during his absence in England all orders left at the shop will be promptly attended to as usual. Parties indebted to him will please call at his house and settle as early as possible. W. H. JACOMB. do 2t

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. do 1t

HOUSE WANTED. Having six or seven rooms. Address, I. Mercurio, Office, Guelph. do 1t

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 a family preferred. Application on Guelph, 3rd December. do 1t

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TO AUTHORS. Sabbath School Library Books. For the purpose of promoting the native religious literature of the Dominion of Canada, and preserving interesting facts, narratives and incidents in the possession of private individuals, thereby rendering them generally useful, James Campbell & Son offer the following sums for the manuscripts of original works, suitable for Sabbath School Libraries, and such as will be sold on easy terms, which may be known by applying to GEORGE ELLIOTT, or N. HIGINBOTHAM, Executors. Guelph, Jan. 2. do 1t

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THE GREAT BLANKET SALE AT A. O. BUCHAM'S WILL BE CONTINUED THIS WEEK.

Guelph, Jan. 12, 1869. Parties requiring board can be accommodated with good bedrooms in a first-class Boarding House, situated near the Post Office. Address A. B. Guelph Post Office, or apply at his Office. do 1t

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE. For sale, a house and lot. Terms, easy. Apply personally, or by letter. W. S. BALL. Guelph, Jan. 7. do 1t

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. do 1t

ACCOUNT BOOK LOST. A large account book on Tuesday evening between the Market House and Sleeman's Brewery, Waterloo Road. The finder will be rewarded on applying to DAVIDSON & CHADWICK, General Agents, Guelph. do 1t

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 sheds. The subscriber respectfully requests a share of public patronage. Guelph, Dec 23. do 1t B. B. PRESANT.

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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-net sale, as the subscriber is positively retiring.

WILLIAM STEWART. Wyndham Street, Guelph } Dec. 30th, 1868. do 1t

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**A METEOR.**—A night or two since, the moon was partially obscured by a light, feecy cloud, a meteor ball, very luminous, of a silvery hue, extremely brilliant, and to the eye somewhat larger in appearance than the moon itself. At first it appeared in the shape of a perfect globe, then gradually curved itself until it spread into one immense sheet of liquid fire, and formed letters reading nearly as follows:—  
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**COMMERCIAL.**

We note little change in the market here during the past week. Farmers appear to be waiting for a return of fine sleighing weather, when prices will in all probability receive an impetus. There is a very slight increase in the price of fall and spring wheat, and a proportionately small advance in that of pork. The Montreal market is reported very dull, with little doing in grain. The same may be said of the Hamilton and London markets—prices ruling pretty much the same for wheat and coarse grains as at Guelph. In the article of hay alone there is a change of any consequence from last week's quotations—good quality bringing from \$10 to \$14. In all other kinds of produce there is either no change, or the slightest possible advance.

**MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH, January 14, 1869.**

Flour \$100 lb	2 50	\$ 2 75
Fall Wheat, 4 bush	1 04	1 15
Spring Wheat 4 bush	1 00	1 04
Oats 4 bush	52	53
Peas 4 bush	80	84
Barley do	1 10	1 22
Hay 4 ton	10 00	14 00
Straw	3 00	4 00
Shingles, 2 s. 100	1 00	1 50
Wood, 1 cord	2 00	2 50
Wood	0 24	0 25
Eggs, 9 dozen	0 20	0 22
Butter, 100 lbs packed	0 25	0 28
do (loose packed) 100	0 20	0 21
Geese, each	0 30	0 37
Turkeys each	0 35	1 00
Chickens, 4 pair	0 20	0 25
Ducks, do	0 30	0 40
Potatoes, per bushel	0 75	0 87 1/2
Apples, 3 bush	1 00	1 25
Lamb, 4 lb	0 04	0 05
Beef, 4 lb	4 00	7 00
Pork, 4 lb	0 05	0 12
Sheep Pelts each	0 50	1 00
Lambskins	0 50	1 00
Hides	5 50	6 25

**Money Market.**  
 JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE, Guelph, Jan. 14, 1869.

Gold, 136 1/2.  
 Greenbacks at 72 to 73; sold at 73 to 73 1/2.  
 Silver bought at 4 1/2; sold at 5.  
 Upper Canada Bank Bills bought at 55c to 60c.

**MONTREAL MARKETS.**  
 Kirkwood, Livingstone & Co.'s report by special telegraph to "Evening Mercury."

**MONTREAL, January 14, 1869.**  
 Flour—Extra, \$5 40 to \$5 50; Fancy, \$5 10 to \$5 15; Welland Canal Super, \$5 00 to \$5 10; Superior No. 1 Western wheat, \$5 00 to \$5 10; No. 2 do, \$4 60 to \$4 75; do, \$4 50 to \$4 60; \$2 50 Wheat—Canada Fall, \$1 15 to \$1 16; Spring, \$1 17 to \$1 17 1/2; Western, \$1 10 to \$1 11; Oats, per 32 lbs, 50c to 48c; Barley, per 32 lbs, \$1 20 to \$1 30; Butter—dairy 22c to 24c; store packed 20c to 22c. Ashes—Pots \$5 55 to \$5 60; Peas \$5 55 to \$5 60; Pork, \$5 25 to \$5 30; prime, \$7 00 to \$7 50; Peas, 92c to 94c.  
 Flour, receipts 1,400, trading and merely for retail. Lots, markets easy, no sales. Provisions firm at market rates.

**TORONTO MARKETS.**  
 Toronto, Jan. 13.

Fall wheat, \$1 13 to \$1 15; spring wheat, \$1 05 to \$1 07; flour, No. 1 super, \$4 60, extra \$4 55; barley \$1 25; peas, 85c to 88c; oats, 52c to 52c.

**HAMILTON MARKETS.**  
 Hamilton, Jan. 12.

Barley, 1 25 to 1 25; peas, 80c to 85c; oats, 55c to 55c; spring wheat, 1 00 to 1 03; white wheat, 1 15 to 1 20; red winter, 1 00 to 1 30.

**PERUVIAN SYRUP.**

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would but test the virtues of the Peruvian Syrup, the effect would not only astonish themselves but would please all their friends, for instead of eating 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" blown in the glass. A 32 page pamphlet will be sent free.  
**J. P. DINSMORE, Proprietor, No. 35, Day-St., New York.** Sold by all Druggists, Northrup & Lyman, General Agents, Newcastle, Ont.  
 Jan 9 d.w.m.

**CAUTION.**

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

**JOHN JOHNSON,**  
 Erin, Jan 9. wsdwt ANGUS JOHNSON.

**STRAY STEER.**  
 Came on the premises of the subscriber, Lot No. 25, 10th Con., Paslinch, about the beginning of October last, a two-year-old red steer. The owner can have the same by proving property and paying expenses.  
**ROBERT FORBES,**  
 Paslinch, Jan. 11, 1869. wos

**BUSINESS STILL GOOD**  
 AT THE  
**BRADFORD HOUSE**  
**DRESS GOODS!**

Another LARGE ARRIVAL at 1/2 Cents, worth DOUBLE the Money.

**JACKETS! JACKETS!**

Jackets at Panic Prices. Astrachan Jackets, Sealskin Jackets, Whittney—Black and Coloured. Petersham, Black and Coloured, and an immense variety of

**FANCY JACKETS, COMMENCING AT \$1.00.**

**Table Linen and Sheetings.**

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

**MILLINERY!**

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

**PHILIP BISH**  
 Wyndham St. et. Guelph, November 2

**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. 1868. daw if

**MASON & HAMLIN**  
**CABINET AND METROPOLITAN**  
**ORGANS,**  
 Have Just ARRIVED at CLARK'S MUSIC STORE.

They are acknowledged the best Instruments of their class in the world. More than Three Hundred prominent American artists, and a great many European musicians have given written testimony to their great superiority. They have been awarded SEVENTY-FIVE GOLD OR SILVER MEDALS at the principal Industrial Fairs in the United States. But their crowning glory was in winning the First Prize Medal at the Paris Exposition of 1867. These Organs are provided with all the LATEST IMPROVEMENTS, including the

**Mason & Hamlin Improved Vox Humana, or, Fant Tremolo,**  
 which produces a variety of very brilliant orchestral effects, including a remarkable imitation of stringed instruments; also the nearest approach to the peculiarly sympathetic, rich and attractive quality of a cultivated human voice yet attained in any instrument. The facilities and resources of the MASON & HAMLIN Company are now so great that they can afford and undertake to furnish, not only the best, but also the LOWEST PRICED Organs made. Every instrument is fully warranted for five years, and furnished at prices ranging from \$50 to \$1000 and upwards.

Illustrated Catalogues with full description and prices of the various styles of Instruments sent free to any applicant. **Canvassing Agents Wanted.**

**W. WARNER CLARKE,**  
 Guelph, Dec. 13. Market Square, Guelph

**IMPERIAL**  
**Fire Insurance Company**  
 OF LONDON.  
 (Established 1803.)

HEAD OFFICES.—1 Old Broad Street, and 16 Pall Mall, London.

GENERAL AGENCY FOR CANADA—24 St. Sacrament Street, Montreal

Subscribed and Invested Capital and Reserved Fund  
**£1,065,000 STERLING**

Funds invested in Canada—\$105,000

INSURANCE against loss by fire effected on the most favorable terms, and losses paid with out reference to the Board in London. No charge made for policies or endorsements.

RINTOUL Bros, General Agents, 29 St. Sacrament Street. JOHN DUNSMORE, Inspector.

**JOHN M. BOND, Agent, Guelph.**  
 Guelph, 14th Nov. dw

**CASTLE GARDEN SALOON,**  
 Market Square, GUELPH.

THE Subscriber begs to inform the public that he has leased the above premises for a term of years, and has refitted it in a very superior and substantial manner, and hopes to share a portion of the patronage of the public.

**THE BAR**  
 will be supplied with the best

**Wines, Liquors & Cigars**

And the table with the delicacies of the season. In fact no expense will be spared to make it a first-class establishment.

**LUNCHEON!**  
 Every day from 1 to 3 o'clock

**OYSTERS AND GAME,**  
 dined and Supper parties provided on short notice at reasonable charges.

**JOHN MILLER,**  
 Proprietor, Late of the Commercial Hotel, Whitby

**FABRIQUE FOR SALE OR LEASE.**

A good Factory for sale or to let. Apply to  
**S. BOULT, Quebec-st., Guelph**  
 Guelph, November 10, 1868. daw if

**F. M. WILSON,**  
**Banking, Exchange & Passage**  
 OFFICE,  
 No. 3, JAMES STREET, HAMILTON.

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

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

Upper Canada Agency of the Pacific Mail Line Steamship Company to California.  
 Guelph, Dec. 1. daw 3m

**TO TAILORS.**

AMERICAN Shears, Trimmers, and Points of all sizes, Squares, Curved Rules, Straightedges, Improved Irons, English and American Crayons, Bartlett's Needles, Tapes, &c. All the best quality, and at lowest prices.

**RYAN & OLIVER,**  
 Importers of Hardware—114 Yonge-st. Toronto  
 Toronto, 1st April, 1868. d

**TO MACHINISTS.**

STEEL Squares, Steel Rules, Centre Gauges Vernier Calipers, Steel Gage Rules, Caliper Squares, Ames' Universal Squares, Self-Regulating Callipers and Dividers, Stubs Files and Tools Patent Cutters, Sheet Steel, &c. For sale by lowest prices.

General Hardware Merchants—114 Yonge-st. Toronto, 1st April, 1868. d

**Cabinetmakers & Upholsterers.**

HAIR Seating, Curled Hair, Tow, Sofa Springs Twine, Chair Web, Buttons, Screws, Hinges, Locks, Tacks, Flat Paper, Glass, Piano Stool screws Coffin Trimmings, Upholsterers' Needles and Regulators, Audis' Carvers' Tools, Extension Jap. Auger Bits, Melodion Hardware, &c. For sale at lowest prices.

**RYAN & OLIVER,**  
 General Hardware Merchants—114 Yonge Street Toronto 1st April, 1868. d-1y

**Shoe Tools & Findings**

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

**RYAN & OLIVER,**  
 114 Yonge Street, Toronto  
 Toronto, 1st April, 1868. d

**Removal.—Card of Thanks.**

**WM. HOOVER,**  
 CABMAN 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**

Orders may be left at his office in the Stable, a his house, near the Alma Block, or at Miller's Hotel, and will be promptly attended to.

**THE CAB STAND**

For the winter will be at the corner of Mr. Hog's Dry Goods Store.  
 Guelph, Dec. 10th, 1868. dsm

**Still on the War Path**

THE subscriber begs to inform his old friends and the public that he is still hale and hearty, 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.

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.

All work carefully finished, and at moderate rates.  
**WM. MITCHELL,**  
 Guelph 2nd Nov. d.w.m

**DOCTOR DAVIS**  
 Physician and Surgeon.

OFFICE—Merriack-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.

**Mercurial 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 observation. A reasonable remittance on all such applications will be required.

**Female Pills.**—Dr. Davis' celebrated Female Pills for Irregularities, Suppression of the Menstrue, Leucorrhoea or Whites, and all female difficulties, have been so long the public for 30 years and are universally 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. No charge for letter, \$1. When obtained at the office, if by letter, \$1.

All letters must be addressed (repaired) to Dr. Davis, M. D., Hamilton, and to contain postage stamp when an answer is required.  
 Hamilton, 1st July, 1868. dw

**TROTTER & GRAHAM,**

**DENTISTS!**  
 GUELPH and BRAMPTON  
 LICENTIATES OF DENTAL SURGERY  
 Successors in Guelph to T. Rotter.  
 Office, over Higginbotham's Drugstore  
 Guelph, 10th August, 1868. dw

**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 can. The Bar is supplied with Liquors, Wines, Ales and Cigars, of the choicest brands, likewise with the favorite drink, "Tom and Jerry," for LUNCH between the hours of 12 noon and 5 p. m.

**DENIS BUNYAN,**  
 Guelph, 17th October. d

**MEDICAL HALL, GUELPH,**

**E. HARVEY & CO.**  
 No. 1  
**WHITE GOAL OIL**

Of the best quality,  
 Wholesale and Retail

**MEDICAL HALL!**  
**E. HARVEY & CO.,**  
 Guelph December 24. dw

**HARTFORD**  
**Fire Insurance Company**  
 Of Hartford, Conn.

INCORPORATED IN 1810. — CAPITAL, \$2,000,000.  
 Special Rates for Dwellings and contents for terms of one to three years.  
**E. MORRIS, Agent.**  
 Guelph, Dec. 21. dly

**WANTED,**

Keep the feet dry, and the head cool.

Customers to buy out one of the Largest and Cheapest stocks of

**BOOTS AND SHOES**  
 TO BE FOUND IN GUELPH.

**JOHN CRIDIFORD**

INVITES inspection to his stock of **NEW FALL GOODS**, which have been purchased from the best makers, and can be warranted as equal to any in the market for Style, Durability or Cheapness.

Remember that the spot for Cheap Boots and Shoes is the **Kingston Penitentiary Boot and Shoe Store, No. 11, Wyndham-st., Guelph.** FOR CASH ONLY.

Guelph, September 20th. dw

**JOHN CRIDIFORD**

**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. There will positively be no credit given during this sale. All indebted to the firm are respectfully requested to call and settle their accounts at once.

Guelph 17th December 1868

**A. THOMSON & CO**  
 dw

**Something New!**

JUST RECEIVED at the Dominion Store, a very nice assortment of

**FUNERALS**  
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**Men's Underclothing,**  
 and Socks, also,

**Ladies' Breakfast Shawls**

Stockings of all colours, of the best quality made and can be bought cheap.

**BERLIN WOOLS.**  
 The Largest Stock of Wools to be had in any store in town, including English, Fingering, Clouded, Berlin, double and single, Fleece, Merino, and Fancy Wools of every description. All kinds of Canadian Yarns.  
 Stamping and braiding done to order.  
**Mrs. ROBINSON**  
 Guelph, Oct. 15 1868. dwif

**WILLIAM BROWNLOW, UNDERTAKER,**  
 SHOP, in rear of the WELLINGTON HOTEL, Douglas Street. Hours 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, 1868. daw

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT**

**The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company**  
 HARTFORD CONN.

WOODBRIDGE S. OLMSTED, Secretary. | GUY R. PRELLE, President. | ZEPHANIAH PRESTON, V. Pres  
 EDWIN W. BRAYNT, Actuary. | LUCIAN S. WILCOX, Medical Examiner.

**ORGANIZED IN 1846.** — **CHARTER PERPETUAL.**  
 The largest Mutual Life Insurance Company, numbering over 35,000 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 percent. 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 1867 ..... \$45,647,191.00  
 Income received " " ..... 7,330,886.19

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 expenses to income has, 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 issue policies on a single life from \$100 to \$25,000.

Amounts deposited with Receiver General of Canada, \$140,000.  
 Medical Referees—DR. HEROD. DANIEL D. SILLIS, General Agent for Canada.

Guelph, 28th December. **GEORGE ROBINS, Agent for Guelph.**

**The Sale of Cloths, Clothing, AND GENTLEMEN'S FURNISHING GOODS,**

STILL GOING ON

**AT JAMES CORMACK'S,**  
 MERCHANT TAILOR, No. 1, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

now on hand the Largest, Best Assorted and

**Cheapest Stock of Goods in the Province,**

Being purchased by, and the Clothing manufactured under, the personal superintendence of the subscriber, he can with confidence recommend them to his numerous customers and the public. Another lot of these FINE

**BEAVER OVERCOATS**

Just made. Will arrive in a few days.

For which there has been such a run. Keep up the demand, and I will keep up the supply at as low prices as can be bought at cost or under.

Guelph, December 19th. dw **JAMES CORMACK.**

**SANTA CLAUS HAS ARRIVED,**

And is superintending the RETAIL DEPARTMENT of the

**Guelph CONFECTIONERY Works**  
**THE MAMMOTH CAKE**

To be Cut and Sold at 30c. per lb., worth 50c:

Every person should have a piece of the **LARGEST CAKE EVER MADE IN THE PROVINCE.** Please leave your order by Wednesday evening.

Also, an endless variety of GOODS for

**Christmas Presents and New Year's Gifts!**  
 For large and small. Come one and all, come all, and see for yourselves.

Juelph, Dec. 25, 1868. **H. BERRY.** daw if

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