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## MARKDALE STANDARD

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 1866.

### THE WEEK'S COMMERCIAL SUMMARY.

The total number of business failures in the Dominion as reported in Bradstreet's was 1,140, which is about 20 in the previous week, 32 in the week before last, and 39 in 1865.

It is not the season for the tide of business to rise, but there is perceived scarcely any shrinkage except that which comes naturally with midsummer.

The volume of new business is small compared with recent years, but has been enough to encourage more opening of long-closed works and more advance in return to labor. Important strike that the advance is not enough for some, but is not more threatening than a week ago.

#### Here and There.

The wicked get it when no man punishes them.

Why is it that every rosetta on either side of the water, has ended in a row?

The public can have honest servants if it will take the trouble to examine applicants before hiring.

No man would shake the hand of a millionaire who gives him a right to refuse the hand of the ten-cent bridge-taker.

If the hay crop, as reported, is much smaller than usual this year, ought we not logically expect a decrease in hay fever?

The imbeciles who smoke cigarettes with their monograms and crests on the wrappers, will not die any sooner that if they had stuck to the plain kind used by tobacco fooling in the contents, not the wrappers that are fatal.

#### THE ONLY TEST OF MERIT.

The people are quick to appreciate a good thing when they see it is abundantly shown by a phenomenal success of the International Exhibition.

"The Fair which begins on the 2nd of September next is the seventeenth of the series. It has grown steadily in popularity and yearly attracts increasing numbers of visitors. The present proof of its superior excellence. This season the display will be more complete and varied than ever. The number of entries is unusually large in all departments, and the amount of space in the building is taken up without additions and re-arrangements have been made to accommodate the increased number of exhibitors. In live stock the number of entries has increased of August, there will be a great full showing, especially in the choice breeds of horses and cattle. Great improvements have been made in the accomodations, and all the arrangements are now perfect as possible. An attractive and diversified programme of entertainments is offered. All railways will be at low rates and special excursions will be run from many points presenting an opportunity of which all should avail themselves.

Jack Dromey, the pugilist, is now a plump-looking youth, though usually employed with a stocking-fingered fleet to last them through a long, long life, usually uses it up before they have entered far upon the "middle age." A man of thirty-five is a young man, but an old master.

4. Please take syrup; nothing equals it for a worm medicin; the name is Mother Gravy's Worm Extiminator. The greatest worm-destroyer of the age.

#### ONE WOMAN SAW THE JOKE.

A half dozen young ladies happened together at the court house a few days ago, and one of them remarked that he had told his wife a very funny story, and she never cracked a smile; so he proposed to her to tell it to her, to see if her wives and they would meet together and laugh.

The story was this: A widow desiring to hold communication with her dead husband, wishing especially to find him in heaven, went to heaven, and asked him if he was happy. In the other world, he was a happy man, but the man of the past two weeks had been a poor, gaunt, and prostrate for both bread and oats are splendid.

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Montreal Montreal have called a meeting to protest against the proposed action of Pte. Hayhurst of the 1st Battalion Hamilton, winner of the Queen's Prize at Blayre.

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## GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

### THE WEEK'S HAPPENINGS.

Interesting Items and Incidents, Important and Instructive, Gathered From All Parts of the World.

#### CANADIAN.

For Eric has another new gas well.

Farmers at Morden, Man., are cutting can and barley.

The body of Hogan, the colored intend-

ent, was found in the canal at St. Cathar-

ine.

William Morton and W. S. Harry, customs officers at Windsor, have been superannuated.

Nearly 5,000 entries have been received for the Regina exhibition, which opens on September 2.

The authorities at Washington have decided that there is no law to prevent the importation of bulls for the proposed bull fight at Atlanta, Georgia.

A feature of the G. A. R. encampment at Atlanta is the presence of 5,000 Confederate veterans with General Simon Bolivar Brucker as grand marshal.

A. F. Parcell, of Rochester, N.Y., a son of Archdeacon Parcell, formerly clerical secretary of the Ontario Diocese, was born in a country house near Voyageur, on the coast of Lake Superior, on Thursday night. The deceased was about twenty-four years of age.

The investigation of the police at Chil-

sas and elsewhere shows that the Indians, with some associates, have been guilty of a long series of other crimes in addition to those already reported. The detective department of Toronto is in a position to come to the rescue, and will not trouble about any further evidence.

#### FORKIN.

Fourteen persons were killed yesterday by the explosion of a boiler in a mill at Forkin.

In Forkin, it is announced, will pay a visit to St. Petersburg after leaving Canada.

Poor water supply has rendered the sanitary condition of Whitechapel, London, dangerous.

Immigration of Russian Hebrews is being limited from the Argentine Republic to Australia.

Austrian is the language of foxes and hounds.

An Imperial edict has been issued by the Portuguese government to all Armenian political prisoners.

Armenian political prisoners must, under penalty of fine, remain in prison until the trial is over.

Lazoo Atlini steamer are now beached close to the wharf at Liverpool, and the tollbooth tender is dispensed with.

It is now positively known that Cuban insurgents leader Alfonso Goulden has been killed in the recent battle at Valenzuela.

Japan now demands \$7,000,000 additional indemnity as compensation for the reconquest to China of the Liao-Tung peninsula.

A broad-gauge exploded on board the vessel Louis on Tuesday morning at 4 a.m.

Ottawa from the North-West, reports that the Eastern terminus of the Ottawa and Gatineau will be in the winter of 1867.

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The Forty-Seventh Battalion has been thoroughly organized. There will be no change in the organization.

The crop bulletin about to be issued by the Department of Agriculture of Manitoba will be issued in the winter of 1867.

The Queen's annual, Methodist church, has been suspended.

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