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Have commenced opening their

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And in a few days will show the

finest stock of

submitted for inspection in Guelph. Special efforts have been made to

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New Spring

FIRST CLASS

Spring Jackets.

Costumes.

Kid Gloves,

Hosiery.

OUR COTTONS

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Are particularly inviting in styles

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CANNED GOODS. California Salmon, Portland Lobsters, French Sardines, Cove Oysters,

Cured Hams and Bacon. Cheese

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Burnett's Extracts & Essences.

The Finest Goods Manufactured.

Boaps of all binds.

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Crosse & Blackwell's, Mixed Pickles,
Chowchow, Piccalill,
Mushroom Catsup, John Bull Sauce,
Lea & Perrin's Worchestershire Sauce,
Tomato ('atsup, Favorite do., do,
Yorkshire Relish, French Mustard,

FARINACEOUS GOODS.

Carolina Rice. Arracan Rice, Pearl Sago, Rio Tapioca Pearl Barley, Corn Meal, Oatmeal.

DESSERT FRUITS

BISCUITS & COMPECTIONERY.

Currants, Valencia Granges,
Messina Lemons, Pineapples,
Tunis Dates, Bordeaux Walnuts,
Fliberts, Almonds.

Arrowroot, Wine, Soda, Abernethy.

Gream, Lemon, Butter, Boston,
Graham, Oyster cracker,
New York Ginger nuts.
Ginger Snaps,
Candles and Sweetmeats of all kinds.
Chaese, Butter, Eggs, Hops,

OBCOKERY.

China Sets, White Stone Setz,
Figured Stone Sets, Chamber Sets,
Tea Plates, Bowls, Jellies,
Platters, Bakers.
And a full line of other kinds.

Butter Crocks, Jugs, Flower Pols, &c. Belling at the manufacturers' prices.

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In great variety-cheap.

Tubs, Pails, Brooms,
Washboards, Brushes, Ac.,
Ropes, Wire and Wooden Baskets,
Patent Medicines,
Dye Stuffs.
Stationery, School Books,
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Spectacles, Violins,
Violin Strings, Briar Pipes,
Fancy Goods, Combs, &c.

Boneless Codfish, Herrings,

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Oysters in can and bulk-in season

Tumblers, Goblets,
Lamps, Lamp Glasses.
Glass Plates, Glass Seta,
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Our teas are all selected for their

Special discount on purchases

COFFEES Our stock comprises the best grades

Maracaibo, and Rio. Rossted and ground, daily, on the

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GOCOAS AND CHOCOLATES

Epp's Homeopathic Cocoa,

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FRUITS-DRIED.

Black Patras do. in cases - selected

These goods are the finest ex-

CAMMED FRUITS AND VEGE.

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Corn, Beans, Tomatoes.

Besides many other articles in season, not here mentioned.

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Suitanas, Seedless,

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Peaches, Pears, Cherries;

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Pineapples, Strawberries, Succotash, Green Peas,

Loose Muscatel.

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Menier's Chocolates.

Extra Ground, Extra C.

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Befined, in Loaves, Cut Loaf, Dry Crushed, Granulated,

English Refined-all grades,

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Finest English Breakfast Conguo,

Souchong, Colong,

Moyune Gunpowders, Silver Leaf Gunpowders,

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Ties, Collars, etc.,

Stock of Felt Hats.

WM. STEWART & CO.

Luce Curtains.

Sheetings, and

Mourning Goods.

Mantles;

have the benefit.

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Dress Shirts,

Guelph, March 6, 1877.

Dress Goods,

MATRIMONY.

A couple sat beside the fire, Debating which should first retire; The husband positively had said-" Wife, won shall go and warm the bed. "I never will!" she quick replied; "I did so once, and nearly died!" "And I will not!" rejoined the spouse, With firmer tone and lowering brows.

And thus a war of words arise. Continuing till they nearly froze, When both grew mute, and hovering

Around the faintly girum ring fire.
They trembled o'er the dying embers As though the ague had seized their

Resolved like heroes ne'er to yield, But force each other from the field, And thus this once fond loving pair In silence shook and shivered there, Till midnight faded into morn, And cocks were crowing for the dawn When all at once the husband said--Wife, hadn't we better go to bed?"

The Luxury of Cold Water.

The plague of winter is cold and the plague of scramer is heat, but we may do much to lessen the miseries of both seasons. Now it may be well to point out that by means of a liberal use of water one may pass through the summer furnace, without any serious discomfort Water is good for other things besides the allaying of thirst.
It has a permanent determination to evaporate, and as it cannot evadishinahed in the process the heat of our rooms. Pans of water, the cooler the better, stationed about a bedroom will positively reduce not only the sensation of heat, but the heat itself. Should anyone doubt placed in his bedroom, and mark the the mometer has fallen. It ton, on the 5th inst, at which \$1,ought to be six degrees at least, 000 was roted toward the relief of and will be eight if he is not stingy the St. John sufferen. with his ice, and this improvement in the temperature will last for hours. If the heat still remains too great, throw up the bedroon windows, fasten an old blanket or travelling-rug across the space and drench that well with water; in five minutes the air in the room will be reduced to that water's temperature. Never mind the

Wit And Humor. About the most undomfortable thing, in the long run, is self con-

patriotic orator stated the case with a stranger in St. Louis, and there regard to the Grand Duke Alexis.

" Keep love a secret!" exclaimed tify him. Aunt Kerish. "Can you keep the toolhache a secret ? Well, no more can you keep love or tight shoes s

A pert little girl boasted to one of her friends that "her father keeps a carriage." "Ab, but." was the triumphant reply, "my tather drives an omnibus."

"The only jokes women like to read are those which reflect ridicula on men." "Yes," was the reply, "on taking up a paper a woman invariably turns to the marriage

A doting young father boasts that his baby son is so affectionate that he sits up with his parents all night and so fough that he seems to have no conception of fatigue or the time OI CHANGE CO. 18 . 14 . W. C. C.

The telephone will soon revolutionize domestic affairs, for the man instead of blushingly telling his wife, at the supper table, that he will be detained at his office, can go down town and whisper through the telephone that it is lodge night.

" one more question, Mr. Parker. You have dnown the defendant s long time. What are his habitsloose, 'or otherwise?" "The one he's got no now. I think, is rather tight under the arms, and too short waisted for the fashion." "You can stand down, Mr. Parker."

It is generally observed that persons of about forty years, especially of that age, are very forgetful of those with whom they were acquainted in childhood. This remarkable dimness of memory has been very appropriatory styled the darkness of the middle ages."

Contracting and Expanding John Henry was with Julia the

other evening when she observed, "John, dear, what is all this talk about contracting and expanding the currency, and which do you believe in ?"

"Well, my sweet," said John, pulling up his collar, "that depends on circumstances. In some cases I should advocate contraction of the currency, and in others an expansion of it. It is according to the circumstances—that is the condition of things,"

But what is the difference between the two, and how does circumstances affect them? That's what I want to know, John?" "Oh, that's easy explained," said John, in a tone of great cheerful-

ness. "For instance-when we are alone we both sit on one chair, don't we?" "Yes."

"Well, that's contraction. But when we hear your pa or ma coming we get on two chairs, don't we?" "I should say we did." "Well, my love that is expan-

sion. So you see it is according to "John," said she, very softly, burrowing under his ear, " we are contracting now, ain't we?" "You bet," said John with increased cheerfulness.

A Fine Distinction.

A young man, whose attiro was clean and neat, and whose general appearance was rather prepossessing, stood before the bar of a police court. By his side stood s young man of about the same age with a coal black face and wooly bair, and who was dressed with all the gorgeousness of a "swell." "What's your name, white man

usked the Court, " McFinnigan, sir." "And yours, my man and rother ?"

" Gawge Washin'ton Jones, sah. "What was the matter, George-Washington ?"

"Sah, I'll tell you'de truf, sah, was agoin' up de street, say, las night, when I niet this man, an' kine' of jostled agin' 'im, sah, an' he turn' right roun', an' fetch me a eli'p on de nose, sah; den I call an offisar an' had dat man arrested;

an' dat's all de truf." "How was it, McFinnigan?" "Shure, yer Oner, and it was all the navger's fault. I was a commin' down the av'nie, quiet as a lamb, sor, sayin' nothin' to nobody, whin that sphalpeen came forninst me, sor, wid his elbow, an' On I up and hit 'im upon the spur o'

"No, sah, he hit me on de nose

"On the spur o' the momint-" Never mind fine distinctions," said his Honor, "it costs a man \$10 in this Court to hit a man, whether it be upon the spur of the moment, or upon the spur of the

placed in his bedroom, and mark __The County Council of Peel Millinery, Mantles, held a special meeting at Bramp-

-The number of the Sioux who have migrated to the North-west is estimated at 4,200 souls, including is not thought to have been a very important affair.

ing of last week, a tall, well-dressed man went into a pawn broker's shop, selected a revolve and asked the proprietor to load it. On remen can have as a steady ceiving it back from the pawnbroker, who supposed the man wished to purchase it, he suddenly "I think we made too much of shot himself in the head, and died

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WE HAVE DECIDED ON MAKING THIS

The Great Sale of the Season.

this, let him have his tub, with its moment, or upon the spur of the shallow depth and wide surface, are discharged,"—New York gratify every buyer. The sale will embrace all classes of the choicest Summer goods, including

Fancy Goods, every kind,

Shirtings, Tweeds, etc.

In fact our entire Summer Stock. We can only quote a few particulars:

1,899 warriors. The recent out- Beautiful Colored Dress Silks for 50 cents, worth \$1. rage at Wood End occurred two Choice Silk Mantles for \$1.25, worth \$5. miles south of the boundary, but it Cashmere Mantles for 75 cents, worth \$3.

All styles of summer Costumes at half-price, a handsome one for \$1.50.

Parasols at merely nominal figures; a full-sized Parasol for 374c. All 124c Prints reduced to 10c. —In St. Louis, on Monday even Summer Tweeds, a wonderful bargain.
ng of last week, a tall, well-dressed Ready-made Clothing at prices next to nothing. Muslins and Grenadines at 5c a yard,

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Townspeople and country people rally to the Grand Sale at your Own Store—The Golden Lion—do not buy a cent's worth elsewhere till you have seen our bargains, a glance at which will convince you that the Lion is the place at which to spend your money.

was nothing on his person to iden. Come Early to the Sale; We are Crowded Daily.

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Kegs

Of Prunes, Soda, Red Lead, White Lead, Colors of all kinds, etc.

Boxes, Caddies Sacks

Of Biscuits, Confectionery, Spices, Starch, Canned Fruit, Fish, etc., Tobaccos, Cigars, Raisins, Cheese, Soaps, Candles, Washing Crystals, Pickles, Jams, Jellies, Matches, etc.

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