

## Evening Mercury.

MONDAY EV'G, JULY 5, 1869.

### Town and County Items.

**STRAWBERRIES.**—Mrs. Robinson has got a fresh supply of fine, large, ripe strawberries, which she is selling cheap.

**HORTICULTURAL SHOW.**—The Spring Exhibition, in connection with the Guelph Horticultural Society, will be held in the Drill Shed to-morrow.

**PIC-NIC POSTPONED.**—The Wesleyan Sabbath School Pic-nic has been postponed till the 22nd inst. The late wet weather is the cause of the postponement, the grounds where it is to be held being at present not dry enough for comfort.

**INDEPENDENCE DAY.**—Yesterday was the Fourth of July, but as it happened to be Sunday, our neighbours across the lines were unable to celebrate the anniversary of their independence. They are doing it to-day, however, and as the gentlemen who operate upon Wall-st. are "taking a hand in," we have no change in our gold quotations.

**DRAMATIC READINGS.**—It affords us much pleasure to give publicity to the fact, that Mr. Thomas Batty Conolly will favor our Townsfolk with some very choice Dramatic Readings in the Town Hall, on Wednesday evening next, 7th inst., under the auspices of the Mechanics' Institute. Judging from the selections on the programme, and Mr. C.'s ability to accord them every justice, an intellectual and pleasant evening may be fully anticipated. To give additional interest to the Readings, and impart variety to the entertainment, they will be interspersed with appropriate solos on the flute, by Mr. G. Bagley, who is pronounced on all sides to be a most finished performer. We hope to witness a large attendance.

### European Armies.

In the April number of Blackwood, there appeared an article on the armies of Europe, from which it appears that the population of the United Kingdom is about 30,000,000, while the army consists of 92,000 men at home ; 34,000 in the colonies ; first army reserve for general service 2,000 ; second army reserve for

### Termination of the Base Ball Tournament.

On Saturday night the first nine of the Guelph "Maple Leaf" Base Ball Club, and the friends who had stayed with them during the tournament at Woodstock, returned to town. They were met at the Great Western Station by Lawrence's Band, and had the fact proved to them that Guelph was proud of their achievements, even though they did not bring the first prize in the first class home with them. It would have been a feat of marvellous labor and endurance had they done so. On Friday, at 3 p.m., they were pitted against the "Young Canadians," of Woodstock, who on two former occasions had defeated them by a small number of runs. This match was undoubtedly looked upon as *the* match of the Tournament, and each club bent its energies to the task of defeating the other. At half-past six the game was finished, and the Guelph men were the victors. They had not won without work, and were far from feeling as fresh on Saturday morning as the Ingersoll Club, which had not played since Thursday, and with which they had now to contend for the first prize. The "Victorias" are no mean players, but for the first four innings the "Maple Leaf" men left them behind; but their exertions of the previous day began to tell on them, and the fresher Ingersoll men took the first prize of \$100 in cash. The "Maple Leaf" Club brought home the second prize, a tea-set, consisting of four pieces, namely, coffee-pot, tea-pot, sugar bowl and cream jug. They will be on exhibition in a window in some of the stores—in which particular one has not yet been determined. Mr. John Goldie also received a gold scarf pin for the best fielding, and Mr. Kenneth McLean was second for throwing the ball. He threw it 109 yards, 5 inches, while the winner threw only 101 foot.

The following were the two men :

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### The World Over.

The arrival in Canada of Col. P. R. Ross, Adjutant-General of Militia, is noted in the *Official Gazette*.

On Thursday afternoon, a lad named Diener, fishing in the river at London, fell in and was drowned. His brother was at a short distance from him, and the first intimation he had of the accident was seeing a hat floating down the stream.

Mr. Wm. Gallinger, East Gwillimbury, went to bed in his usual health a few nights ago, and his wife hearing him make a peculiar noise shortly afterwards got up and found him dying. The cause is supposed to have been heart disease.

Mr. Thos. White, junr., our Commissioner in England, has recently been lecturing on emigration in Scotland. At the conclusion of one lecture, about 200 working men wanted to have an interview with him, and to obtain information about Canada.

Four boys belonging to the town of Perth were playing under a sand bank on Wednesday last, when the over-hanging sand gave way and buried three of them—two completely, the other up to his neck. When dug out, one of them, a lad named Stone, immediately expired. The others survived.

**THE CROPS ABOUT HAMILTON.**—The *Times* says, that the continued heavy falls of rain are having a most injurious effect on the crops, everything running to stalks. The hay and grain have been badly "lodged," and will be liable to rot in large quantities. Vegetation, from its unusual luxuriance, gives the country an almost tropical appearance.

**SUDDEN DEATH.**—Mr. Jas. Percival, conductor on the express train running between Sandpoint and Brockville, was on Sunday week on a visit to a friend of his named Yell, residing about two miles south of Arnprior, and while walking out through one of the fields, suddenly fell on his face as if dead, in consequence of a fit of apoplexy. On being taken up, he was found to be insensible, and died the following Tuesday.

**CUBAN FILLIBUSTERS ARRESTED.**—On Tuesday last, Mr. Pierrepont, the

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