

CAUSES OF TRICHINOSIS.
Dr. Macdonald has addressed a communication to the Hamilton City Council upon this subject, in which he says that the disease in hogs is caused by feeding them with butcher's offal. "There is, as you doubtless know, established in the city a glue manufactory. In this, the material used is chiefly offal taken from the pork factory, and as all the savoury substance is not consumed in glue making, the remainder is employed in feeding swine. Some of these swine were conveyed to a pork dealer in this city, not many months since, as I am informed. To show how unfit pork so fed is for human food, let me mention another fact. The prudent people living at the railway track on Wentworth street, were some time ago informed by the wise among them, that it was a waste of trouble to prepare food for their hogs, since there was plenty of 'offal' at the pork factory, to which the animals merely required access to commence feeding and fattening. The information was promptly acted upon, and before long symptoms began to appear among the swine which possibly some of our medical men would even think not difficult of interpretation. There was first diarrhoea, then a falling off in health and condition, and afterwards the death of many. There was every prospect of the death of many more in the same way, but the owners anticipated the misfortune of natural death by slaughtering, and then sending the carcass to the Hamilton market. Those animals alone which have eaten flesh can be infected with the trichina. All garbage eating animals are liable to suffer from it, rats, for example, are said to be frequent victims, and so may be, and no doubt often are, not only the 'poor man's pig,' but the 'poor man's cow' too, neither of which can afford to be choicer in their eating."

THE FUTURE PRICE OF WHEAT.
The Chicago Tribune has an article devoted to the quandary in which the merchants of that city are now placed as to what to do with their wheat—whether to sell it as soon as possible at whatever loss, or to hold on with the risk of making or losing which will accompany delay. Speaking of the stock on hand when the winter set in, it says, "The greater part had been bought here at \$1,500 or \$1,600 while a chance remained of avoiding such a heavy loss in addition to the cost of carrying. Low as prices were here, they were still too high to admit of profitable shipment, and prices there were too high to admit of ocean transit. The consequence is that we have partially lost the supply of the British market this year. The wheat now held in Chicago and New York is so far a very costly article. Bought at high prices, it has been carried for months at a heavy charge for interest and insurance. No wonder that the question is one of absorbing interest—whether it be more dangerous to hold on or to let go." The conclusion to which the writer is led is that "advocates of high prices" have no very cheering prospect before them, and that "the very best thing that holders can do is to prepare to look their losses in the face as gracefully as may be, and decide to let go, lest the chance of selling be denied in toto. Such a conclusion, which certainly could not be adopted without a struggle, is worthy of careful attention." On the other hand, a correspondent of the Prairie Farmer contains the idea of low prices, and says that the fact that "grain men feel assured of low prices is a good reason to believe that they will not take place, since if these men were convinced that such would be the case they would not go to the extent of publishing their views." "The receipts of wheat in Chicago have fallen off twenty per cent. within seven years, while the population of the country has increased seventy per cent., and the consumption of bread is increasing at a rate far greater than the rate of production."

FENIAN GRATITUDE.—The pardoned Fenian convicts have anything but signalized themselves for gratitude to the Government for its leniency in dealing with them. The Daily News contains the following telegram dated Cork, Wednesday, March 17th: A soiree was held here this evening in celebration of the national festival. The Mayor presided. Col. Warren and several of the released Fenian prisoners attended, and were received with unbounded enthusiasm. Strong Fenian speeches were made by O'Mahoney, who was tried for treason-felony in 1867, and acquitted, and by Col. Warren. O'Mahoney said he regretted nothing in the past, and was hopeful of the future. Warren declared himself a believer in the sabre as the means of uplifting a downtrodden nation, exhorted the people to be united, and there was nothing they might not attain. The Mayor dissented from Col. Warren's views. The disloyal sentiments were received with loud cheers. O'Brien, the released Fenian, made a speech, but said nothing objectionable.

BELLEVILLE REJECTED.—The Hamilton Times says: We understand that John Sandfield Macdonald has decided to locate the Deaf and Dumb Asylum at London instead of Belleville. The reason he gives is sounder than those he generally assigns. It is that as London has sent a dumb representative to the Legislature it is but fair to give them an institution in which the remaining mutes may be trained. The result will be that any new mutes London may elect as representatives will at least be able to speak in the sign language.

A writer in the Christian Advocate, the denominational organ, ably advocates the union of all the Methodist sects in the Dominion. He is also in favor of a union of Canadian with American Methodists, and very truly says that the dividing line of nations should never divide the Christian Church.

A revival recently took place in Lynden, Ancaster Circuit, and nearly thirty persons were converted.

The Nor-Wester says that in latitude 50 they have a climate precisely similar to that of Ontario, nearly six or eight degrees farther South, and that the temperature steadily rises on any given parallel of latitude from Labrador to the Pacific.
Alex. McCulloch, of Erin, has received a second class certificate at the Toronto Infantry Military School.

New Advertisements.
ST. PATRICK'S SOCIETY.
A special meeting of the St. Patrick's Society of Guelph will be held in Mr. Casey's Hotel,
On FRIDAY, 9th APRIL,
at 8 o'clock p.m.
D. NUNAN, Sec.
Guelph, 7th April.

COAL OIL.
PRICES DOWN AT

HORSMAN'S
Coal Oil 35c. per gallon
By five gallons.
Single Gallon, - - 40 cents
Guelph, 7th April.

GUELPH BOARD OF TRADE.
A general meeting of the Guelph Board of Trade will be held in the Town Hall,
On TUESDAY EVENG, 13th APRIL,
at 7 o'clock, for the election of Officers for the ensuing year. Members are respectfully invited to attend.
JOHN McCREA, President.
GEO. ROBINS, Sec. & Treas.
Guelph, 7th April.

1869. **CARD.** 1869.
MRS. HUNTER

DRESSMAKING
In connection with her business. Having secured the services of a thoroughly competent dressmaker, highly recommended by the first families of Toronto and Boston, ladies can depend on having dresses satisfactorily made in the latest and most fashionable styles.

STRAW MILLINERY.
Hats and Bonnets cleaned, turned, dyed and re-made in the latest fashion.

JUVENILE CLOTHING.
On hand and made to order. A large assortment of Goods suitable for the season on hand and arriving daily.
Stamping for braiding and embroidery, new patterns.
Agent for the Hamilton "City Dye Works," and the Barclay Sewing Machines.
MRS. HUNTER,
Berlin Wool, Fancy Goods Store, &c.
Wyndham-st, Guelph, 7th April.

The Newest Music
SONG,
RINGLET, O! RINGLET.
Words by Tennyson.
HON. TORNO,
HELL NE'ER RETURN.
POPULAR COMIC SONG,
UP IN A BALLOON.
As sung by Miss Manning.
WALTZ,
TELEGRAMME WALTZ.
Strauss.
Also, all the Half Dime Music published, at

THORNTON'S
NEW CHEAP BOOKSTORE,
Near the Post Office.
Guelph, April 7.

WRIGHT'S BAKERY.
To the Inhabitants of Guelph and many others.

The subscriber hereby tenders his sincere thanks for the extensive patronage he has received during the time he has been in business, commencing in July, 1852, and ending in March, 1869. I have now sold my place, and my interest therein, to Mr JOHN SOLE, whom I recommend as my successor, hoping he will receive the same liberal patronage which has been my privilege to experience. Mr Sole intends to occupy the old stand, and carry on the Baking and Grocery business, and hopes with due attention to meet with the kind support of the public.
SAMUEL WRIGHT.
Guelph, 6th April, 1869.

PUBLIC NOTICE.
With reference to the above, the subscriber begs to state that having succeeded to the above business, so long carried on by Mr Wright, he hopes by strict attention to it, and by consulting the wants of the public, to continue to receive the patronage of all Mr Wright's old customers, and of the community generally.
JOHN SOLE.
Guelph, 6th April.

MONEY FOUND.
Found on Saturday, below the Drill Hill, a purse containing a small sum of money in bills and silver. The owner, on proving property and paying expenses can have it by applying to
EVAN MACDONALD, Guelph,
Guelph, 5th April.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.
That eligible property in the Town of Guelph, situated opposite the Grammar School, and at present occupied by Mr. Jeanneret, known as "Row Hill Gardens," comprising four acres of excellent land in a high state of cultivation, on which are erected a commodious house, on buildings, &c. Apply to
THOMPSON & JACKSON,
Land, Loan and General Agents.
Guelph, 5th April.

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, Pustinch, 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.

NO BLOWING
AT J. & D. MARTIN'S

FOR GOOD AND CHEAP
Groceries, China, Crockery & Glassware
GO TO J. & D. MARTIN'S.

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

MEDICAL HALL, GUELPH.
No. 1
COAL OIL
ONLY
40c. per gallon
AT THE MEDICAL HALL.
E. HARVEY & CO.
Chemists and Druggists,
Guelph, April 7.

GUTHRIE, WATT & CUTTEN
Barristers, Attorneys-at-Law,
Solicitors in Chancery, &c.,
GUELPH, Ontario.
GUELPH, April 1, 1869.
HORSES FOR SALE.
For sale 2 span of good working Horses, without harness.
Two young Galloway Bulls. Apply to
THOMAS McCREA,
Janischel, Guelph,
4th St. W. 1.
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, Douglas Street, Guelph.
Guelph, 31st March.

CAUTION.
Hereby 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 2nd of March, 1869, and payable at my office seven months after date, as I have received no value for the same, and shall not pay it.
P. PREST.
Guelph, 11th March.

A RARE CHANCE.
A Six Year's Lease and Furniture of a First-class Hotel in the Town of Guelph for sale.
To be sold by private sale, a six year's lease and furniture of one of the best Hotels in the Town of Guelph. The subscriber has about to leave Canada, wishes to dispose of the above. For further particulars apply to
M. DEADY, Deady's Hotel, Guelph,
Guelph, 8th Feb.

THE ONTARIO MUTUAL Life Insurance Comp'y.
HEAD OFFICE, WATERLOO, ONT.
A comparison of our rates with the rates of any company either doing or purporting to do a legitimate business respectfully invited.
Every Information given
To intending Insurers.
Medical Examiners—Drs. Howitt and Keating.
HENRY L. DRAKE, Agent,
Box D, Guelph P.O. mar 12.

CO-PARTNERSHIP.
The undersigned beg to inform the public that 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.
Guelph, April 1.

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, an advertiser is desirous of learning the mercantile business. Apply to J. B. MERRICK, office, Guelph, Guelph, 21st March.

1869. **SPRING.** 1869.
BRITANNIA RULES the WAVE

AN EPOCH
IN THE HISTORY OF GUELPH.

THE MOST EXTENSIVE IMPORTERS OF
DRY GOODS
IN ONTARIO.

The Old Maxim still in the ascendant:
SMALL PROFITS & QUICK RETURNS
The largest, most comprehensive, and by far the CHEAPEST and best assorted Stock of Spring and Summer Dry Goods ever brought into Canada, is now being offered for sale at the

BRITANNIA HOUSE
THIS IS NO BLOWING, BUT REAL AND INDISPUTABLE. It would be useless for us to attempt laying before the public a complete catalogue of the

Many thousand different classes of Goods
Now in stock, suffice it to say, that the store is literally crammed. Come and see for yourselves. A cordial invitation is extended to all. One visit is sufficient to convince the most incredulous that

HEFFERNAN BROTHERS
Are the right men in the right place. Buying for two of the largest Dry Goods establishments in Canada, we are enabled to sell our Goods at the same prices which smaller dealers have to pay for them.

LOOK OUT FOR THE GRAND OPENING OF OUR MAGNIFICENT
Mantle and Millinery Show Rooms
TIMELY NOTICE WILL BE GIVEN.

Clothing made to order in our usual satisfactory manner.
French, English and American Fashion Plates just arrived. Remember the place.
HEFFERNAN BROTHERS.
Britannia House, Wyndham-St., Guelph, and corner Dundas and Talbot-sts, London.
Guelph, 6th April.

SPRING & SUMMER GOODS
JUST ARRIVED
AT THE

BRADFORD HOUSE
A LARGE ASSORTMENT
OF PLAIN AND FANCY

DRESS GOODS!
SECOND TO NONE FOR STYLE AND QUALITY.

ALSO, A SPLENDID ASSORTMENT OF
WOOLWICH STREET GUELPH,
Where they keep constantly on hand all kinds of LUMBER, from 1 1/2 Batten to Joisting 30 feet long, and cut to order all kinds of Mill 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.
FRANCIS SMALL,
Guelph, April 3, 1869.

TENDERS WANTED.
NEW STONE STORE
Sealed Tenders will be received up to
FRIDAY, the 9th of APRIL,
For the Mason, Bricklayer, Carpenter, Joiner, Plaster, Iron, Foundry, Glazier and Tinmith's work for a new Stone Store for H. BERRY, Esq., Quebec-st., after FIFTEEN the 2nd April.
Plans and Specifications may be seen, and information obtained, at the Architect's Office, Quebec-st., after FIFTEEN the 2nd April.
The proprietor does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.
STEPHEN DOULT, Architect.
Guelph, 2nd April, 1869.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1864.
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.
JOHN HENDERSON.
Guelph, 2nd April, 1869.

TENDERS WANTED.
SEALED TENDERS will be received up to
THURSDAY, THE 8th OF APRIL, '69,
For the erection of a Stable and Carriage House for JOHN HORSMAN, Esq., in the Town of Guelph.
Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of the undersigned, Wyndham Street.
KAUFFMAN & COOPER,
Architects
do. do.