

**WHAT BREAKS DOWN YOUNG MEN?**  
It is a commonly received notion that hard study is the unhealthy element of college life. But from tables of the mortality of Harvard University, collected by Professor Pierce from the last triennial catalogue, it is clearly demonstrated that this is an error for the excess of deaths for the first ten years after graduation is found in that portion of each class inferior in scholarship. Every one who has seen the curriculum knows that where Bacchus and political economy injure one, labor and rum punches use a dozen and that the two little fingers are heavier than the lions of Euclid. Dissipation is a swift and sure destroyer, and every young man who follows it is as the early flower exposed to untimely frost. Those who have been investigated into the path of vice are named 'Legion' for they are many—enough to convince every novice that he has no security that he shall escape a similar fate. A few hours of sleep each night, good living, and plenty of 'snaffles' make up upon every function of the human body. The brain, the heart, the lungs, the liver, the spine, the limbs, the bones, the flesh—every part and faculty—are overtaken; worn and weakened by the terrific energy and passion loosed from restraint, until like a dilapidated mansion, the earthly house of this tabernacle falls into ruinous decay. Fast young men, right about, turn!

A plan has been proposed in England to enable workmen to spend their holidays in an agreeable and pleasant manner. A "Mutual Hospitality Company" is to be formed, so that members wishing to visit another town from their own will be entertained economically among their friends, and thus be saved many of the inconveniences and expenses of travel. Such a society would answer in Canada.

Postmaster-General Randall has, in conformity with the recent act of Congress, issued orders to his subordinate to send to the Dead-Letter Office all letters, circulars, &c., concerning lotteries, gift concerts, and similar swindles.

The approaching meeting of the Canada Medical Association promises to be one of no little interest, and Montreal is preparing to give a hospitable reception to those attending the Convention.

A mutiny occurred on board the barque *Hannah*, off St. John's harbor N. B., on the 18th instant. The mate was assaulted by three seamen, and stabbed severely. The men were taken ashore and lodged in gaol.

France has a Protestant population of 1,200,000.

**BATCHELOR'S HAIR DYE**  
This splendid Hair Dye is the best in the world. The only true and perfect Dye—Harmless, Reliable, instantaneous. No disappointment. No ridiculous tints. Removes the effects of bad dyes. Irrigorates and leaves the hair soft and beautiful brown or black. Sold by all Druggists and Perfumers, and properly applied at Batchelor's Wig Factory, No. 16, Bond-St., N. Y.

**COMMERCIAL.**

**Guelph Markets.**  
MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH, August 24, 1868.

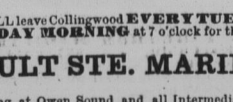
Flour, @ 100 lbs.	..... \$ 3 85	@ \$ 3 75
Roll Wheat, @ 100 lbs.	..... 1 90	@ 1 15
Spring Wheat @ bush	..... 1 40	@ 1 42
Oats @ bush	..... 0 55	@ 0 60
Peas do	..... 0 40	@ 0 42
Barley do	..... 0 85	@ 1 00
Hay @ ton	..... 12 00	@ 15 00
Straw	..... 4 00	@ 5 00
Shingles, @ square	..... 1 50	@ 1 50
Wood, @ cord	..... 3 00	@ 3 50
Wool	..... 0 24	@ 0 25
Eggs, @ dozen	..... 1 10	@ 1 12
Butter, (store packed) @ lb	..... 0 16	@ 0 17
do (dairy packed) @ lb	..... 0 19	@ 0 20
Onions, each	..... 0 09	@ 0 10
Turkeys each	..... 0 50	@ 0 60
Chickens, @ pair	..... 0 20	@ 0 28
Ducks, do	..... 0 20	@ 0 25
Potatoes (new) per bag	..... 2 25	@ 0 00
Apples, @ barrel	..... 1 50	@ 0 00
Lamb, @ lb	..... 0 06	@ 0 07
Beef	..... 0 09	@ 0 10
Beef, @ lb	..... 0 07	@ 0 15
Pork, @ 100 lbs.	..... 5 00	@ 5 50
Sheep Pelts each	..... 0 20	@ 0 25
Lambskins	..... 0 45	@ 0 50
Hides	..... 6 00	@ 0 00

**Money Market.**  
JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE,  
Guelph, August 24, 1868.  
Gold, 144.  
Greenbacks bid at 68 to 69; sold at 69 to 69 1/2.  
Large Silver bought at 6 1/2; sold at 6.  
Small silver bought at 10 1/2; sold at 11.  
Upper Canada Bank Bills bought at 60; to 60c.

**MONTREAL MARKETS.**  
Kirkwood, Livingstone & Co's report by Special Telegram to 'Evening Mercury.'  
MONTREAL, August 22, 1868.  
Flour—Fancy, \$6 90 to \$7 00; Superior No. 1 \$5 75 to \$7 50; Warranted, \$6 66; Bag Flour, \$4 40 to \$5 60; Oats 40c to 50c; Barley \$1 05 to \$1 15; Butter—dairy 18c to 21c; store packed 17 to 18c. Ashes—Pots \$5 70 to \$6 80; pearls \$5 52 to \$5 55.  
Flour, small receipts, rates unchanged but purely nominal in the total absence of business. Grain nominal. Provisions steady but quiet. Ashes unchanged.

**TORONTO, August 22, 1868.**  
Flour—Market is very dull; No. 1, at \$6 60 to \$7 25; Fall Wheat—\$1 50; Spring Wheat—\$1 40 to \$1 45; Oats—55c; Barley—\$1 04 to \$1 08; Peas—55c to 60c.

**NORTH-WEST ROUTE.**  
The Staunch Royal Mail Steamer



**'WAUBUNO.'**  
WILL leave Collingwood EVERY TUESDAY MORNING at 7 o'clock for the SAULT STE. MARIE

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**JOHN McDUGALL.**  
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May 31st, 1868.

**DIVISION COURTS**  
For the County of Wellington for 1868.

Orangeville	June 30	Sept. 15	Nov. 17
Guelph	.....	.....	.....
Elira	.....	.....	.....
Elora	.....	.....	.....
Arthur	.....	.....	.....
Mount Forest	.....	.....	.....
Fergus	.....	.....	.....
Rockwood	.....	.....	.....
Paslinch	.....	.....	.....
Drayton	.....	.....	.....
Harrison	.....	.....	.....
Glenhall	.....	.....	.....

**NEW GROCERY STORE!**  
E. O'DONNELL & CO.

Are now opening out a large and well selected stock of **GROCERIES, China, Crockery and Glassware!**  
(In the Store lately occupied by C. & T. Meredith, Wyndham Street.)

Wines, Liquors and Whiskies  
GREAT BARGAINS MAY BE EXPECTED.  
E. O'DONNELL & CO.  
Wyndham Street, Guelph, 7th August, 1868.

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CHIEF OFFICES—19 AND 20 CORNHILL LONDON, ENGLAND.  
CAPITAL—£2,500,000.  
Fire Department.

THE success which has attended the Company's operations has been such as fully to realize the most sanguine expectations of the Directors, who have resolved to extend the business more widely, and now offer to the Canadian Public PERFECT SECURITY guaranteed by large subscription of capital and invested Funds.  
**PROMPT SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS.**—The Directors at General Agents, being gentlemen largely engaged in commerce, will take a liberal and business like view of all questions coming before them.

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Eighty per cent of the Profits of the Whole Life and Annuity business are divided among participating Policy Holders.  
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**MORLAND, WATSON & Co.,** General Agents for Canada  
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FREDERICK COLE, Secretary, | Inspector of Agencies—T. C. LIVINGSTON, F. L.S., Upper Canal  
**TROTTER & GRAHAM**  
Guelph April 1st 1868 Agents for Guelph

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PUBLIC NOTICE.

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All lovers of GOOD and GENUINE TEAS should try the India and China Tea Company's Packet Teas, sold by their Agent in every Town and large Village throughout the Dominion. They are GUARANTEED PURE and of the FINEST QUALITY.

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**E. HARVEY & CO.,** Agents for Guelph.  
Guelph, August 18.

**FUNERALS.**  
**WILLIAM BROWNLOW, UNDERTAKER,**  
SHOP in rear of the WELLINGTON HOTEL  
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The subscriber intimates that he is prepared to attend

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As usual in Town and Country. Coffins always on hand and made to order on the shortest notice. Terms very moderate.  
WM. BROWNLOW, dwt  
Guelph March 20 1868.

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Where Lumber of all kinds can be had in lots to suit purchasers.

**CORDWOOD**  
For sale by the cord, half-cord and quarter-cord, and delivered in any part of the Town.

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Also for sale, Flour and Feed, delivered in any part of the Town according to order.  
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His Steam Planing Mill is in constant operation. All kinds of lumber, shales, doors, blinds, mouldings, &c. He solicits a share of public patronage.  
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Guelph, 27th Aug. 1867. Nelson Green

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Guelph April 20 1868. dwt iv.

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Guelph, June 24.

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Guelph, May 30 1868. dw

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Guelph, June 15. d-sm

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Containing the very Latest Improvements and Inventions—Strong, Durable, Beautiful, Well Made and Highly Finished.

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Toronto, May 6, 1868. dw

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Guelph, June 22. daw 6m

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July 16th. dw

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Toronto, May 5, 1868. daw tf

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Guelph August 17, 1868. dw