

**Quelph Evening Mercury**  
OFFICE..... MACDONNELL STREET  
THURSDAY EV'G. AUG. 13, 1868.

**The Cattle Plague.**  
We have already referred to the cattle plague, which is raging with terrible fatality in Illinois. The disease is called Spanish fever, and is said to be contracted from Texas droves, all the animals of which are healthy. The Chicago packers lately sent Prof. Gamgee, of London, who is now in the United States to investigate the cattle disease along the track of the cattle coming from Texas, and he has reported that it belongs solely to the *exclusively* of the Texas animals which themselves are all found to be healthy. The influence comes, he says, from certain young succulent plants eaten in Texas by the cows, with no perceptible evil results to their health. It is a curious consideration that these healthy cows should thus give the disease; and it is not less curious to think that the diseased Illinois animals should be undiseased in milk and flesh. For, the Professor says, their sucking calves are healthy; and he also says the meat of those sick cows is wholesome and free from disease, and he would have no scruple to eat it himself.

On Tuesday last week thirty-three head of Illinois cattle, all steers, were purchased in Albany and shipped to Providence by rail. Some of them showed symptoms of sickness on the road. They were placed in a pasture at Providence, and eleven of them were immediately after killed and dressed. The day following, one of the animals was found sick and killed. On Saturday and Sunday six died in the pasture. On Sunday morning the account of the drove of thirty-three cattle stood as follows: eleven had been killed and dressed, and one had been killed because of being diseased and six had died in the pasture field, leaving fifteen still living. Of the latter, every one showed symptoms of disease, and some of them appeared to be in the last stage of the disorder, and it seemed probable that they would die in a short time. All these cattle were raised in Illinois, none coming from Texas, which shows that the disease has taken firm root in that State. Of the arrivals in New York, the same immunity of Texas cattle from the disease was observed, while some hundreds of those raised in Illinois, none coming from Texas, which shows that the disease has taken firm root in that State.

A committee of learned professors paid a visit to the abattoirs of Communi-paw market a short time since, and after a thorough inspection of the sick and dead animals there, they describe the condition of the beasts during the continuance of the disease, and their appearance after death as follows: "The animal alive shows a certain degree of lassitude, a dull eye, and is generally weak and poor. On examination of its intestines, the kidney showed a fatty condition, while some portions of it presented a less solid condition than natural, and the exterior was of a mottled appearance. The main intestine was excoriated, and showed numerous black spots, presenting the appearance of having been burned with caustic. The urine was bloody. All the cattle coming to Communi-paw in this condition are from Illinois, but they have been previously pastured with Texas cattle, in which none of the disease, if any exists, is found. The Texas cattle, however, are known to be infected with ticks, a species of cattle lice of an enormous size which would alone account for several of the symptoms of plague, so called—that is, poorness of condition the excoriation of the stomach produced by the animals swallowed, the color and appearance of the contents of the bladder &c."

The pestilence seems to be spreading and the Boards of Health are kept busy. In the vicinity of Albany it has made its appearance and is committing fearful havoc. Every possible effort is being made to ascertain the true cause of the disease, and to arrest its progress. Within the Metropolitan District of New York there is the greatest activity among the officials, and every drove that arrives is inspected. Sixty car loads came in from Illinois on Tuesday and they are said to be perfectly free from the disease. One drove voluntarily slaughtered \$8000 worth of infected animals. No one knows what to do, or which way to turn. The disease is not properly understood, and consequently no remedy can be applied with success.

We Canadians have a right to hope, that if the pestilence be peculiar to the States our Government will take such measures as will prevent its spreading beyond their boundaries.

THE DROUGHT IN SCOTLAND.—Scotland is under the influence of one of the most searching droughts that has been experienced within the memory of middle-aged men. We do not suppose that heavy land has been more rent since 1826. The pastures are very much embrowned on light coast land and on rocky or gravelly soils in the interior of the country, oats are stunted, and green crops are making no progress. Water is scarce on many farms where such a want is seldom felt. The channels of streams are dry, and farmers are looking wistfully for rain. Of the crops, wheat alone has not suffered during the week. It has had a choice blossoming season, and the earliest is filling with as sound an ear as we have ever seen. With the exception of deep, rich land, the bulk of straw is much under an average. The oat crop is giving away rapidly on light and also on this heavy land. The crop in general has run rapidly into ear when it is scarcely covering the ground. There must now be a greater deficiency of straw, and oats in an early season are not likely to compensate for stunted growth by all extra produce of grain. The weather has been favorable for hay making. The general crop is light, and there seems to be a sure prospect of another winter of scarce provender for cattle. The reports of the early potato crop are the worst we have ever had in the second week of July.—*Edinburgh Journal.*

Whiskey-Detective Mason has issued a summons to every tavern-keeper in West York who kept an open house during the recent election, and claiming \$300 damages from each man for a violation of the Statute in that behalf.

**Statement of A. portionment.**  
To the Trustees and Teachers of the South Riding of Wellington, I submit a statement of the apportionment of the Legislative Grant for 1868.

**GUELPH TOWNSHIP.**

Sec. No. 1, average, 41,593	Am't \$51.11
2 " 40,015	" 50.69
3 " 34,614	" 37.41
4 " 38,880	" 30.44
5 " 38,551	" 41.35
6 " 36,338	" 39.32
7 " 40,196	" 40.88
8 " 278,118	" 800.00

Average per scholar, \$1.978. The grant for this township is \$40 less than in '67. The average attendance this year is 13 more than last year.

**PERINCH TOWNSHIP.**

Sec. No. 1, average, 41,040	Am't \$42.65
2 " 40,063	" 50.37
3 " 45,978	" 46.18
4 " 58,088	" 54.83
5 " 23,929	" 24.60
6 " 49,629	" 49.70
7 " 51,808	" 32.62
8 " 104,528	" 107.25
9 " 44,924	" 49.07
10 " 58,598	" 60.15
11 " 49,040	" 49.07
12 " 27,860	" 28.97

Average per scholar \$1.026. The grant is \$5 more than in 1867, while the average attendance is greater by 13 than in last year.

**ERAMOSÁ TOWNSHIP.**

Sec. No. 1, average, 46,040	Am't \$52.52
2 " 43,000	" 54.26
3 " 58,898	" 51.48
4 " 80,982	" 92.07
5 " 47,677	" 54.38
6 " 48,157	" 54.92
7 " 35,519	" 40.54
Union 9 " 21,165	" 24.23

Average per scholar \$1.14. The grant for this township is \$19 less than in '67, while the average attendance is 10 more than in the preceding year.

**ERIN TOWNSHIP.**

Sec. No. 1, average, 29,550	Am't \$30.54
2 " 116,543	" 116.32
3 " 47,250	" 47.19
4 " 88,425	" 88.37
5 " 55	" 54.94
6 " 77,787	" 77.04
7 " 19,495	" 19.47
8 " 65,519	" 65.41
9 " 51,488	" 51.40
10 " 9,204	" 9.22
11 " 30,385	" 30.34
12 " 44,866	" 44.78
Union 13 " 38,119	" 38.08
14 " 50,680	" 50.65
15 " 21,795	" 21.75

Average per scholar \$0.998. The grant for this township is \$30 more than in '67, while the average attendance is less by 5 than last year.

**ERAMOSA TOWNSHIP.**

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2 " 43,000	" 54.26
3 " 58,898	" 51.48
4 " 80,982	" 92.07
5 " 47,677	" 54.38
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**Maple Leaf B. B. Club.**  
A MEETING of the members of the Quelph Maple Leaf Base Ball Club will be held this evening, at NICHOLS' HOTEL, at 7 o'clock. A full attendance is requested.  
WILLIAM SUNLEY, Secretary.  
Quelph, Aug. 13.

**HALIFAX HOTEL.**  
HOLLIS STREET,  
HALIFAX, N. S.  
THIS Hotel is the largest and most commodious in the city of Halifax, and being centrally situated will be found most convenient for business men and tourists.  
HENRY HESSLEIN, Proprietor.  
Halifax, 12th August.

**DAVIDSON & CHADWICK,**  
GENERAL AGENTS,  
GUELPH.

Agents for investing Money for the TRUST and LOAN COMPANY OF UPPER CANADA, AND THE CANADA PERMANENT BUILDING and SAVINGS SOCIETIES OF TORONTO.

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK, Have also a large amount of PRIVATE FUNDS On hand for investment. Money invested and interest collected, mortgages bought subject to examination of title, and valuation of property offered.

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK are Agents for the ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF ENGLAND. Capital, \$10,000,000, Accumulated funds, \$5,000,000. The Royal subscribed \$100 towards the purchase of the Quelph Steam Fire Engine, and is the only Company doing business in Quelph, that has subscribed.

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK are Agents for the STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, in 1825. The STANDARD takes risks at very reasonable rates, and Policy holders are secured by the very large sum of accumulated and invested funds, viz: \$15,000,000, and the Company have made the deposit with the Government of the Dominion of Canada required by the new Act.

DAVIDSON & CHADWICK Have a number of FARMS for sale in the Co. of Wellington and adjoining Counties. Also, Town Lots and Houses in Quelph, Berlin, Fergus, &c.

**AMARANTH.**  
Lot 22, in the 10th Concession, 200 acres.  
**ARTHUR.**  
South-half of Lot 15, 3rd Con., 100 acres, 60 of which are in a high state of cultivation, and well watered, by a creek crossing the centre of the farm; a two story house and good barn on the lot.

**CHATHAM.**  
North-east half of 21, in the 5th Con., 100 acres, well timbered.  
**ERAMOSÁ.**  
Part of West-half of 2, in the 3rd Con., four acres, with a good stone house and log stable.  
West-half Lot 84, 1st Con., Kramosa, 100 acres, 80 cleared, good frame barn and shed, part log and frame dwellings house; well watered & fenced.  
West-half of Lot 39, 3rd Con., 100 acres, 25 acres cleared.  
West-half Lot 5, in the 1st Con., 90 acres; 90 acres improved, good frame dwelling house, and a half-story high and bank barn; well fenced, 4 miles from Quelph.

**New Advertisements.**  
**DOMESTIC GOODS.**

**A. O. BUCHAM**  
Invites public notice to his Stock of DOMESTIC GOODS, which is very LARGE and EXTRA IN VALUE.

**GREY & WHITE COTTONS**  
Best widths and makes, including Horrick's, Miller & Co's.  
Grey and White Cotton Sheetings, Plain and Twilled Linen Sheetings, Grey Half Bleached and White Table Clothings.

**SHIRTINGS, HOLLANDS, GINGHAMS,**  
PRINTS, TICKINGS, &c.  
The above Goods are superior in value to anything in the trade at the present time, and deserve the attention of intending purchasers.  
**A. O. BUCHAM.**  
Wynham Street, Quelph, August 13, 1868

**NEW GROCERY STORE!**  
**E. O'DONNELL & CO.**  
Are now opening out a large and well selected stock of GROCERIES, China, Crockery and Glassware!  
Wines, Liquors and Whiskies  
SELL FOR CASH ONLY!  
GREAT BARGAINS MAY BE EXPECTED.  
**E. O'DONNELL & CO.**  
Wynham Street, Quelph, 7th August, 1868.

**The Great Clearing Sale**  
**BRADFORD HOUSE**  
A GREAT SUCCESS!  
**The Rush Still Continues!**  
**DRESS GOODS**  
STILL FURTHER REDUCED.  
Call early and see the Bargains in Prints, Factory and White Cottons.  
Great reduction in Linen, Damasks, Table Cloths, Table Napkins, &c.  
A few Shawls and Mantles to be cleared at Cost Prices.

**PHILIP BISH.**  
Wynham Street, Quelph, 3rd August.  
**Cedar Posts for Sale.**  
FOR sale, a number of Cedar Posts. Apply to DENNIS COFFEY, wtf  
Quelph, May 26th 1868.  
**NOTICE.**  
MR. FRANCIS SMALL is no longer connected with the firm of Messrs. Gowdy & Stewart as their Agent in the lumbering business. All accounts due the said firm must be paid to them selves personally, as no other person is authorized after this date to receive money or grant receipts.  
**GOWDY & STEWART.**  
Quelph, 11th August, 1868. dwtf  
**HOUSE WANTED.**  
WANTED TO RENT, a comfortable residence in Quelph, or within a few miles. A Dwelling House with not less than four bed-rooms and two parlors, kitchen, out offices, hard and soft water, &c. Address G. P., care of Editor of the Mercury.  
Quelph, 7th August. dw

**CAUTION.**  
WHEREAS my wife, Ann Brown, left my bed and board without any just cause or provocation, the public are hereby cautioned against giving her goods on my account, or harboring her in any way whatsoever, as I shall not be responsible for the same.  
Nichol, August 6, 1868. THOMAS BARRETT, dw w2  
**LADIES' SCHOOL.**  
Conducted by Mrs. W. Budd.  
THE present vacation terminates on MONDAY August 17th.  
Nobfolk Street, Quelph, Aug. 5. daw 1m  
**RED & WHITE BRICK.**  
100,000 RED and WHITE BRICK will be ready for sale on Lot No. 10, 6th Con., (East side), Erin, July 30.  
Two HENRY SMITH.

**CARPENTER and JOINER,**

Comprising 15 Plates.  
BY ROBERT RIDDLE  
**ELEMENTS of HAND-RAILING**  
Comprising 17 Plates.  
Carpentry Made Easy  
Comprising 17 Plates.  
BY WM. E. BELL  
**Day's Bookstore,**  
OPPOSITE THE MARKET.  
Quelph, 11th August, 1868. dw

**Tenders Wanted**  
FOR THE ERECTION OF  
**A STONE DRILL SHED.**  
TENDERS for the erection of a Drill Shed and Agricultural Hall in the Village of Fergus, will be received by the undersigned up to noon, on TUESDAY, the 16th of AUGUST, 1868. Size of building, 50 feet wide by 100 feet in length, over walk.  
Plans and specifications may be seen at MR. GRANT'S office, Fergus, on and after this date. The Council does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any other tender.  
GEORGE MCINNES, Revere.  
Fergus, August 10, 1868. ds w1

**REMOVED OPPOSITE.**  
**C. & T. MEREDITH**  
HAVE REMOVED  
TO THE PREMISES LATELY OCCUPIED BY THE  
**Canada Clothing Store!**  
Where they are now prepared to attend to the wants of their numerous customers and friends.  
**Remember No. 10.**  
C. & T. MEREDITH.  
Quelph, August 10. do if  
**TROTTER'S**  
DENTIFRICE

**Canadian Dentifrice**  
IS recommended by the following first-class Dentists as the best preparation for cleansing, beautifying and preserving the teeth: B. W. Day, M. D., L.S., F.R.S., Toronto; J. O'Donnell, Secretary, Dental Association, L. Lemon, L. D. S., St. Catharines; D. A. Bogart, L. D. S., Hamilton; J. W. Elliott, Toronto.  
Price 25c. per box. For sale by all Druggists.  
Quelph, June 22. daw 6m

**THE FERGUS FOUNDRY!**  
TOGETHER WITH THE ENGINE and BOILER, Shafting and Gearing, Boring, Planing, and other Machines for working in Wood and Iron, and a large quantity of Patterns, Patterns Boxes, &c., &c.  
WILL BE SOLD  
BY PUBLIC AUCTION,  
IN THE VILLAGE OF FERGUS,  
On FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 1868,  
at ten o'clock in the forenoon, on the foundry premises.  
TERMS OF PAYMENT:  
One-fourth of the purchase money to be paid at the time of sale; one-fourth on the delivery of the deed within two weeks thereafter, and the balance in three equal annual instalments, with interest six per cent. per annum, to be secured by mortgage upon the property.  
**BUCHANAN & CO.,**  
Hamilton, Ontario, do it  
**TROTTEE & GRAHAM,**  
DENTISTS!  
GUELPH and BRAMPTON  
LICENTIATES OF DENTAL SURGERY,  
(Successors in Quelph to T. Trotter.)  
Office, over Higginbotham's Drugstore  
Quelph, 2nd August, 1868. (dw-1v)

**Special Notice**  
TO THE PUBLIC GENERALLY.  
**E. CARROLL & CO.**  
DEG to notify that they are now receiving a large lot of NEW CHOP  
**TEAS**  
which they intend to sell cheaper than any house in Quelph. Examine OUR PRICES and judge for yourselves.  
Young Hyson per lb. 75c. worth \$1 00  
Old Hyson " 50 " 0 75  
Gunpowder " 87 " 1 00  
Japan " 61 " 0 75  
Congou " 50 " 0 62  
Souchong " 62 " 0 75  
And all other Goods equally low at  
**No. 2, DAY'S BLOCK.**  
Quelph, August 12. daw if