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PRICE ONE PENNY

**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, 13th August. d.w.m

**AMERICAN HOUSE,**  
BOSTON, MASS.  
The largest first-class Hotel in New England, offers to Tourists, Families and the well-to-do, accommodation and conveniences superior to any other hotel in the city. During the past season additions have been made of numerous suites of apartments, with sitting rooms, wash closets, &c., attached; one of Tutts' magnificent passenger elevators, the best ever constructed, conveys guests to the upper story of the house in one minute; the entries have been newly and richly carpeted, and the entire house thoroughly repainted and furnished, making it all its appointments, equal to any hotel in the country.—Telephone Office, Billiard Rooms and Cafe on the first floor.  
Aug 18 do 6m LEWIS RICE & SON, Prop'rs

**DOMINION HOTEL,**  
GUELPH.  
JOHN BUNYAN begs to inform his friends and the public that he has leased the above Hotel, in the BRICK HOUSE, MACDONNELL ST., a few doors above Higginbotham's Drug Store, and immediately opposite Messrs. SHARPE'S Store. There is a good stable attached to a house, with good and commodious stabling. Every attention will be paid to customers, in order to secure their comfort and convenience. The best of liquors and cigars always kept at the bar. Good accommodation for Boarders by the week at reasonable rates.  
Guelph, July 13th. d.wy

**Anglo-American Hotel**  
FOR SALE.  
THIS HOTEL is the only first class building that lies on the line of the Grand Trunk Railway between Toronto and London. It is 130 feet long by 45 feet in width, 3 stories high and of cut stone; 12 and 11 feet between ceilings; cellar full size of building, 10 feet deep. Also stone kitchen 40 x 24, with a cistern that holds over 1000 barrels of water. It is situated in the best business part of the Town, and is directly opposite the proposed site of the new Grand Station, and is between the Great Western and Grand Trunk Railways. It is the only first-class building in town that is capable of doing a first-class business. The hall runs through the centre of the main building; the rooms are well ventilated and none in the house dark.—The furniture is new, having been purchased only four years ago, and will be sold at a valuation. There is a stone stable capable of affording accommodation for 100 horses; well arranged and runs through to the back street.

**A Capital Farm.**  
Likewise there is a farm of 90 acres of the best land in the county, and of the best cultivated, and will produce more per acre this season than any farm of its size in this county. There are barns and feeding stable and log house on the farm. Also a running spring creek, and other springs that never fail. The fences are of the best, and the farm is laid out in ten acre fields. All the farm implements are new, and will be sold if desired at a valuation.  
As the proprietor is retiring from business he offers to the public a property, the advantages of which are seldom enjoyed by one man in business. The whole will be sold for cash, or on terms within three months, either the business separately, or the whole property as may be agreed upon to suit the purchaser.  
Terms—For the hotel property, half cash down will be required, the remainder to be paid in six yearly instalments of 100 dollars, less than the second half, if paid at time of sale.  
JAMES O'NEIL, Proprietor.  
Guelph, Aug. 29. d.wy

**CARD.**  
**To Friends & Strangers.**  
AFTER an experience of over four years in selling the New York Union Piano Company's Pianos, (made under the direction of J. P. Hale at the corner of 19th Avenue and Broadway, New York) with the instruments of some of the other leading manufacturers, we have decided to drop all others and confine our sales to the  
**Union Pianos!**  
Being fully satisfied, after having sold over 800 of these splendid instruments in New York, Cincinnati and St. Louis, we have now imported and most durable Pianos now made. They have given us and our agents less trouble than any Pianos we have ever sold, and we would invite both dealers and customers to try them in preference to any other now made. THEY ARE SUPERIOR INSTRUMENTS.  
PHILIP PHILLIPS & CO.,  
Music Dealers,  
New York, Cincinnati and St. Louis.  
About 5,000 of the above Pianos are now in use giving entire satisfaction. Samples constantly on hand at the subscriber's Music Store, opposite the Market, Guelph, at 22 per cent. less than other good imported instruments. Also, the best Melodeons and Cabinet Organs.  
W. WARNER CLARK,  
Bank Square, Guelph.  
Guelph, Oct. 13. d.wt

**GREAT POWERS**  
Are always neutral in small quantities.  
SO IT IS WITH  
**PREST & HEPBURN**  
In the leather war now going on between their opponents on the north side of Wyndham-st.

**BOOTS AND SHOES**  
And employ double the number of Workmen of any other establishment in the County of Wellington. We invite the public to call and look through our Factory, and they will be convinced that we are telling the truth, and nothing but the truth. A great deal has been said for and against machine-made Boots and Shoes. Now we believe, and we are confident that every well-balanced mind in Wellington will agree with us, that the less machinery used in manufacturing Boots and Shoes the better. All our staple Boots and Shoes are made by hand, which must be admitted is far superior to any machine-made Goods. We have now on hand the largest and best assortment of Boots and Shoes ever offered to the people of Wellington, which we will sell as cheap as the cheapest.  
Remember that all our work is warranted, and no second price. Repairs done as usual.  
**PREST & HEPBURN**  
Guelph, 2nd November. d.w

**Still on the War Path**  
THE subscriber begs to inform his old friends and the public that he still holds and hearty, and as able as ever to attend to all orders that may be left with him at the well known old stand.  
**ON CORK STREET,**  
Opposite Desley's Hotel,  
Where he is prepared, as formerly to make up  
**CLOTHING**  
of every description at short notice, and in a superior style.  
Having had 30 years experience, and devoting all his time to the business, he can make up **Home-made Cloth** and trim it cheaper than can be done at any other establishment in Guelph.  
All work carefully finished, and at moderate rates.  
**WM MITCHELL**  
Guelph, 2nd Nov. d.wm

**J. F. CROSS,**  
BARRISTER and Attorney-at-Law, Solicitor in Chancery, Conveyancer, &c., &c.  
No. 6 Block, Fergus, C.W. 690-12

**Wrapping Paper for Sale.**  
FOR SALE at the EVENING MERCURY Office, a large lot of old Newspapers, in good condition for wrapping paper. Apply at the office. Guelph, October 23.

**Executors' Notice.**  
ALL parties having claims against the estate of the late Dr. Thomas S. Parker, of Guelph, are required to present the same forthwith for adjustment; and all parties indebted to said estate to make payment to the undersigned.  
GEORGE ELLIOTT,  
NATHANIEL HIGGINBOTHAM,  
EDWARD BLAKE,  
Guelph, Nov. 6. d.wt Executors.

**First Prize Boar**  
THE splendid large-sized Berkshire Boar belonging to the undersigned, which took the First Prize at the late South Riding Fair, will serve for the season. Terms, \$1, cash at time of service.

**YOUNG BOAR FOR SALE.**  
For sale a boar, dro ped on the 1st of April—Same breed.  
ALLAN SIMPSON,  
Blacksmith, Guelph  
Guelph, Nov. 4. d.wt

**Southdown Sheep for Sale,**  
THE subscriber has for sale several Thorough-Bred Southdown RAM LAMBS, also, a number of Southdown EWES and EWELAMBS.  
JAMES ANDERSON, Springfield,  
Near Guelph, on the River Speed.  
Guelph, October 26. w3t-d3w

**SPECIAL ATTENTION.**  
THE Highest Market Price paid for  
**Wool, Hides, Sheepskins, Calfskins and Wood Pickings.**  
At No. 4, Day's old Block, Gordon Street,  
Guelph, July 25 d.w D. MOLTON.

**County Right for Sale.**  
TAKE NOTICE.  
THE Subscriber having purchased the right of sale of West's Patent Lamp Burner, which does away with the use of glass chimneys, whereby the great saving of glasses for street and parlour lamps, and other places is effected, an active man will make \$1,000 a day by selling the Burner. All parties selling without my consent will be prosecuted.  
JAS. O'NEIL, Anglo-American Hotel,  
Guelph, October 24th. d.w3w

**House and Lot for Sale.**  
SITUATE on Delhi Street, Mitchell's Hill, Guelph, being Lot 23, in Division A, containing one-fifth of an acre. House is built of stone, and contains four comfortable rooms, besides a kitchen; also, clothes press, and good cellar, all well finished and in good condition. Lot is well fenced and planted with choice fruit trees, &c.—There is a good well with pump on the premises, also, stable and carriage house. This property is well adapted to a small family, being on a very healthy site, and affording an excellent aspect. Will be sold cheap. For further particulars apply to WM. JOHNS, McQuane Street, or THOMAS MOLTON, Guelph, Township, near Armstrong's Mills. October 31st. d.w

**TO TAILORS,**  
AMERICAN Shears, Trimmers, and Points of all sizes, Squares, Curved Rules, Straight-edges, Improved Irons, English and American Cravats, Bands, Neckties, Aprons, &c. All the best quality, and at lowest prices.  
RYAN & OLIVER,  
Importers of Hardware—114 Yonge-st. Toronto  
Toronto, 1st April, 1868. d

**TO MACHINISTS.**  
STEEL Squares, Steel Rules, Centre Gauges, Vernier Calipers, Steel Caliper Rules, Caliper Squares, Ames' Universal Squares, Self-regulating Calipers and Dividers, Stubs Files and Tools Patent Oilers, Sheet Steel, &c. For sale by  
RYAN & OLIVER,  
General Hardware Merchants—114 Yonge-st. Toronto, 1st April, 1868. d

**Shoe Tools & Findings**  
A COMPLETE assortment of the latest patterns of Shoe Tools, Shoe and Machine Threads, Machine Silk, Shoe Pegs, Shoe Nails, Shoe Tacks, Heel and Toe Plates, &c., wholesale and retail.  
RYAN & OLIVER,  
114 Yonge Street Toronto  
Toronto, 1st April, 1868. d.wt

**Cabinetmakers & Upholsters.**  
HAIR Seating, Curled Hair, Tow, Sofa Springs, Locks, Tacks, Flint Paper, Glass, Piano Stool screws Coffin Trimmings, Upholsters' Needles and Sewing Machines, Addis' Carvers' Tools, Extension Lip Auger Bits, Melodeon Hardware, &c. For sale at lowest prices.  
RYAN & OLIVER,  
General Hardware Merchants—114 Yonge Street Toronto 1st April, 1868. d-1v

**SPEEDVALE MILLS.**  
NOTICE.  
THE Undersigned having purchased the Speedvale Mills from Mr. James Goldie, will always pay the highest Market Price for Wheat at his Mills. RYAN, SHIELDS, MIDDLINGS, and SCHEANINGS constantly on hand and will be sold at a reduction on Guelph Prices.  
JOHN PIPE,  
Speedvale Mills, Oct. 14. d.wm

**BILLIARD HALL!**  
Adjoining Coulson's Hotel,  
GUELPH, ONT.  
Four New Belgian Standard American tables.  
W O'CONNOR, Proprietor  
Guelph, Oct. 24. d.wy

**DOMINION SALOON**  
**FRESH OYSTERS!**  
OF the best quality always on hand, and served up in all styles at short notice; also, for sale by the keg or cart. The Bar is supplied with Liquors, Wines, Ales and Cigars, of the choicest brands, likewise with the favorite drink, "Tom and Jerry." LUNCH between the hours of 12 noon and 3 p. m.  
**DENIS BUNYAN.**  
Guelph, 17th October. d

**Something New!**  
JUST RECEIVED at the Dominion Store, a very nice assortment of  
**Men's Underclothing,**  
and Socks, also,  
**Ladies' Breakfast Shawls**  
Stockings of all colours, of the best quality made and can be bought cheap.  
**BERLIN WOOLS.**  
The Largest Stock of Wools to be had in any store in town, including English, Fingering, Clouded, Berlin, double and single, Fleecy, Merino, and Fancy Wools of every description. All kinds of Canadian Yarns.  
Stamping and braiding done to order.  
MRS. ROBINSON,  
Guelph, Oct. 15 1868. d.wt

**Evening Mercury.**  
OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET  
FRIDAY EV'NG, NOV. 13, 1868.

**Local and Miscellaneous**  
Perfumed toothpicks are the latest novelty in New York.

The profits of the Chicago Tribune in 1867 were \$148,000.

It is estimated that one-half the twenty-five and fifty cent currency in circulation is counterfeit.

An Iowa girl recently killed a large lynx with a corn cutter, after it had whipped two dogs.

Weston, the pedestrian, is now preparing for his great walk of 5000 miles in one hundred consecutive days.

The New York Times, in view of the success of the five cent nickel, call loudly for the coinage of ten-cent coins.

Never were there so many herring taken in so short a time as there has been this season in Massachusetts bay, near Scituate harbor.

RIFLE MATCH. — The Goderich boys beat the Hamburg men on Saturday last by two points. They were treated splendidly by their victims.

Curtice, the champion ploughman of Ontario was beat at the South Huron ploughing match by a boy named McLean in the Township of Tuckersmith.

A Toronto baker of Seymour handed over on Tuesday \$1000, in token of misplaced confidence. Double the amount had been put up against it—all in greenbacks.

John Allen, the "wickedest man," was arrested at Chicopee, Mass., on Saturday, for the forcible abduction of a girl named Emma Burke from her home at Augusta, Me.

Mrs. Pedlar, of Mariposa, was taken suddenly ill in a neighbour's house, a few days ago, and died in five minutes. The cause was disease of the heart, or apoplexy.

Signor Mangioli, an Italian journalist, who spent two years in America, has written a book on female beauty, in which he says that Boston can boast of the most beautiful women in the United States.

The London Canadian News of the 22nd ult., stated that Sir George E. Cartier, Bart, and the Hon. William McDougall, C. B., have been spending a few days with the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos at Stowe.

BAIL ACCEPTED.—Through the efforts of his counsel, Mr. J. P. McMillan, bail has been accepted in the case of McKechnie, charged with killing Edward Congrove in Mount Forest, and he was released on Friday. The amount of bail is himself \$2,000, and two sureties of \$1000 each.

GODEY'S LADY'S BOOK FOR DECEMBER.—A holiday number—superbly illustrated with steel plate engravings—a magnificent fashion plate, and a vast amount of reading matter, peculiarly belonging to this journal, which is, undoubtedly, the prince of fashion books, is to be had at Day & Bookstore, opposite the market. Call early for your numbers.

Mr. O. S. Phelps, offers himself as a "pure and incorrupt" candidate for the Mayoralty of St. Catharines. He says, he is the right man in the right place, and that he will clear the Augean Stable of Municipal corruption with the Shovel of Honesty. Such a man must be simply irresistible; his modesty alone ought to be a sufficient recommendation.

Pilkington Ploughing Match.  
The annual ploughing match of the above township took place on the farm of Robert Cronar, Esq., on Tuesday last. There was a large turn out of spectators and competitors, more so than we have seen at any previous match. Mr. and Mrs. Cronar throughout the day were most indefatigable in their efforts to attend to the creature comforts of those present. After the labours of the day were completed the annual dinner took place in the house of Mr. Cronar, that gentleman as President of the Society took the chair, while the Vice-President, John Smith, Esq., Warden, discharged the duties of the vice-chair; their being over thirty gentlemen assembled to do honour to the occasion. The following were the successful competitors in their various classes:

FIRST CLASS.—John Harper [McInnes plough], 2nd Thos. Angel [do. do.], 3rd Hugh Davidson [do. do.], 4th Thos. McQueen [Johnston do.], 5th Wm. Gordon [I. Modeland do.], 6th Francis Murch [do. do.]. Best finish, Thos. Angel; best crown ridge, Hugh Davidson.

SECOND CLASS.—1st, John Davidson, [McInnes plough]; 2nd, Thos. Hall [do. do.]; 3rd, John Jones [do. do.]; 4th, Charles Hall [Modeland plough]. Best finish, Thos. Hall.

THIRD CLASS.—1st, George Wallace [Johnston plough]; 2nd, Henry Marten [McInnes plough]; 3rd, Wm. Hall [do. do.]; 4th, Henry Ariss [Johnston plough]; 5th, Albert Wallace [do. do.]; 6th, James McKay [Anderson plough]. Best finish, William Hall.

JUDGES.—Henlock Young, Guelph Township; Miles Jackson, Peel; and James Haig, Pilkington.

The annual meeting of the Society was held after the dinner, when the following gentlemen were elected officers bearers for 1869: President, Henry Larter; Secretary, Edward Patmore; Directors: William Clarke, John Harper, Richard Hughes, John Burnet—West side; Wm. Haig, John Marriot, A. Aitchison, and Patrick Nagle—South side.

For the first prize in the men's class at next year's match, Mr. McInnes offers a plough; and Mr. Modeland will give a turnip drill as another prize. The whole proceedings of the day were most pleasant and satisfactory.

**St. Andrew's Society.**  
The annual meeting of the Guelph St. Andrew's Society was held last Thursday night in the Town Hall, and was well attended. Mr. James Massie, the retiring President, occupied the chair. The first business was the reading of the annual report by Mr. Geo. Pirie, the Secretary:

ANNUAL REPORT.  
Your Committee congratulate the members at this their annual meeting on the continued stability and prosperity of our St. Andrew's Society—in that while its institution was coeval with the birth of our good town, it will hold a place among the most favoured Associations of the locality till Guelph ceases to exist.

The celebration last year having been of a popular character commanded a large attendance, and the monetary result was an addition of over \$43 to the funds of the Society. The applications for aid in the past year have not been numerous. Twelve persons have sought and obtained relief; none have been sent away unrelieved.

Your Committee regret to state that not fewer than five of their number have died since last annual meeting. Among those the name of the Hon. A. J. Ferguson Blair stands pre-eminent. He was one of the earliest members, and was several times President of the Society. He ever retained the warmest affection for the land of his nativity, and manifested the liveliest interest in the welfare of his "brither Scots," while your charitable Committee have often and ever found him prompt to render pecuniary aid when their funds were depleted and poor Scotchmen sought relief.

JAMES MASSIE, President.  
The report was adopted. The Treasurer's report showed that the financial affairs of the Society were in a flourishing condition. After paying all expenses and relieving the wants of all who have been found in want, or who applied for assistance, a balance of \$23 remains to go to next year's account.

The following officers were then elected for the current year: President, Alex. McKenzie; 1st Vice-President, D. Guthrie; 2d Vice-President, James Cormack; Secretary and Treasurer, Geo. Pirie. Chaplain, Rev. John Hogg. Physicians, Drs. Howitt, Herod, Cowan, and McGregor. Auditors, D. McFarlane and R. S. Brodie. Piper, John Watt. General Committee, D. Stirling, M.P.P., P. Gow, M.P.P., James Massie, James Barclay, Wm. Allan, John Davidson, Wm. White-law, D. Kennedy, J. Rennie, Jno. Mew-hort, Geo. Bruce, Jr., Wm. Stewart, A. McIntosh, Robt. Boyd, Wm. Alexander, A. Robertson, Sr., Jas. Webster, David Allan, Wm. Hewat, A. Robertson, Jr., J. Innes, Geo. Jeffrey, Hugh Walker, J. C. McLagan, J. Webster, Jr., D. Kennedy, (Woolwich street) J. C. Allan, Jno. Stewart, C. Davidson, R. Melvin, G. B. Fraser, Jas. Gow, D. McFarlane, R. S. Brodie, G. A. Bue, Hare, and a woman named Robt. Martin. Charitable Committee.—The officers of the Society, Andrew Armstrong, Jas. Gow, G. B. Fraser and H. Walker.

It was then decided that "The Day" should be celebrated by a Festival, to consist of a Concert and Ball with the addition of Parquet Entertainments. Sub-committees were appointed to make the necessary arrangements, and as they will enter on their duties with spirit, it is confidently believed that the celebration this year will be one of the most popular, as it is the most varied, which has ever been given by the Guelph St. Andrew's Society.

The sub-committees will meet in the Town Hall this (Friday) evening at eight o'clock.

**The Saul Davis Libel Suit.**  
The Hamilton Times deserves the hearty thanks of the press and people of Ontario for the service it has rendered the community in ferreting out and exposing the gross impositions practised at the "Table Rock Hotel," Niagara Falls, kept by the notorious Saul Davis, and also for the manner in which it has conducted the defence, which was founded upon the fact that the articles on which the libel was founded appeared in the Times last spring, and some of them so severe and couched in language of so strong a character that it was generally supposed the allegations could not be sustained. But the Times in its introduction to the report of the trial says:—"Before pointing out the establishment in the emphatic manner in which we did, we had taken great care to ascertain that there was good foundation for our strictures, and a general perusal of the evidence given below will show clearly enough that we were not mistaken. We have been incensed by no other motives than a conscientious desire to discharge our duty to the public. The reputation of the Province has been, in the eyes of our neighbours, greatly injured by the systematic swindles which we pride ourselves we have never been afraid of exposing fearlessly and faithfully. In performing this duty we have incurred great expense and have no expectation of ever being able to realize a cent thereof from the plaintiff. We have fought out a defence which is not merely a defence of the Times, but of all Canadian newspapers that have had the courage to expose a public and glaring 'hiquity'."

The case came up for trial at St. Catharines on the morning of Friday, the 6th inst., before his Lordship Justice John Wilson, and lasted till after six o'clock on Tuesday, the 10th inst. For the plaintiff there appeared Calvin Brown, of St. Catharines; R. A. Harrison, Toronto, and J. C. Rykert, of St. Catharines, Counsel. For the defendants, J. M. Gibson, S. B. Freeman, Q. C. of Hamilton, and Roland McDonald, Q. C., of St. Catharines, Counsel. As our readers know, the jury gave a verdict for the defendants.

**THE GUELPH POLICE COURT.**  
Before T. W. Saunders, Esq., Police Magistrate.  
FRIDAY, 13th.—Jackson Molton was charged with being drunk, and sent up for 21 days.

A TIMELY HINT.—The *Pull Mall Gazette* has heard of the grief felt by John Sandfield Macdonald and the *Toronto Telegraph* at the pettiness of the title conferred on Mr. Howland, and makes the following suggestions: Here is an opportunity for Mr. Disraeli, or his imitator Mr. Addeley. The policy of "making-things smooth and round" might be extended to the colonies, and a Canadian popularity chiefly acquired by conceding to the representative of dominion dignity the title of 'His Magnificence,' or 'His Incomparableness.'

**The Burke and Hare Murders.**  
A paragraph from an Australian paper brings back to remembrance the horrible deeds of the miscreants, Burke and Hare, who in 1828 were tried in Edinburgh for the deliberate murder of unfortunate victims who fell into their clutches, and whose bodies were sold as subjects of dissection. The mysterious disappearance of men, women, and even children, excited general alarm in Edinburgh; but although every exertion was made to ascertain their fate, no traces could be found of even the bodies of those who had disappeared, so that the widest and most improbable stories were set afloat to account for the mysterious occurrences. What led to the discovery of the series of murders and the murderers themselves was, if we mistake not, the disappearance of a well known character in Edinburgh—Daft Jamie—who was suddenly missed, and who had been seen in the neighbourhood of the "close" in the West Port already suspected. The place was searched and in a cellar house, occupied occasionally as a cobbler's shop by Burke, an Irish shoemaker, were found evidences implicating the inmates of the house in robberies if not murders, and the body of Daft Jamie being discovered, testimony being rapidly to gather. The repugnance of the Scotch to allow of the dissection of dead bodies for anatomical purposes had excited a strong prejudice against schools of anatomy, it being believed that the means employed to obtain subjects were not to closely investigated. Graves were robbed of their dead, and many exciting stories were told of the adventures of medical students, and so difficult was it to procure the means of studying surgery that it was not wonderful in the minds of the public, that even the living would be spared if bodies could not be procured otherwise. The disclosures, or rather the hints at disclosures, for at first they were little more, roused the people to fury, and the story of the Porteous mob and others of a similar kind show that this is no light thing to face. Dr. Knox, the anatomical demonstrator and Burke's chief customer, had to fly for his life. To save the college from destruction guards of soldiers had to be stationed constantly, and from end to end of the United Kingdom there was the wildest excitement, it being believed that Burke and Hare were but detected criminals, while others were still at large carrying on the trade. A most interesting and dramatic scene was witnessed at the trial of Burke and Hare, with little druggists shops not well furnished, were objects of the deepest suspicion and not seldom of ill-usage. The three wretches engaged in the bloody traffic of killing for the sake of a few pounds for each body were brought to trial in 1828. These were Burke, Cockburn, an advocate, and Ellen McDougall, a paragon of Burke. The highest legal talent was employed. The *Justiciary Court* was crowded day after day to hear the sickening details of the manner in which the murders were effected, the jovial hilarity of Burke as he plied his guest with liquor, laughing and singing till his "subject" overcame by liquor, sunk down insensible; the sudden change as the murderer proceeded to smother the victim, strip him of his clothing, and when the vital heat had left, carry the body to the Surgeon for sale, had in it an awful element that caused a horrible fascination. The man who had been called "Daft Jamie" was said to have been one of the most difficult they had to accomplish, and it is told that Burke said the only time he ever felt a twinge of conscience was when a little child smiled in his face as he lifted it on his knee to destroy its young life. In consequence of the powerful exertions of Lord Cockburn, the man who had advocated the woman was allowed to escape, the verdict of "not proven" being returned. Burke was condemned and hung in 1829, and confessed that from the beginning of 1828 till they were arrested, he and Hare, the woman McDougall being used as a decoy, had murdered fifteen persons. McDougall after the execution, returned secretly to the village in Stirlingshire where Burke had first met her, but had to fly for her life. All traces of her were subsequently lost. Where the wretched creature had hidden herself could never be discovered. Whether she had died in a ditch or still lingered out a miserable existence was unknown, but many a poor tramp, mistaken for Nelly McDougall, has had cause to remember the Burke and Hare murders. At last, after forty years silence, the news comes from Australia that the accomplice of Burke and Hare has, at the age of seventy, been burred to death at a public place called Singe. No details are given, but it is probable by the Australian mail some particulars may be received. It is almost like the grave giving up the dead to hear of this woman, after more than a generation in time has passed away since the crimes in which she participated, took her place out into which the events of whole generations have been crowded, having survived so long, to meet at last so dreadful a fate.—*Herald.*

**HORRIBLE ABORTION CASE.**  
FRIGHTFUL DOINGS OF A DRUNKEN PHYSICIAN IN GEORGETOWN—CORONER'S INQUEST.  
From the Toronto Telegraph.

Georgetown, Nov. 12.—One of the most horrible affairs that we have ever heard of occurred in this town yesterday, and is now the universal topic of conversation. The facts of the case, as elicited at the Coroner's inquest, are as follows:

John Vance, a blacksmith here, at the request of his wife called upon Dr. McConnell a short time ago for the purpose of getting medicine to procure an abortion. The doctor gave him a prescription which was made up by a druggist in town. The medicine, however, failed to produce the desired result. Vance went again to the doctor, told him of the failure of the medicine, and requested him to come with him to his wife. The doctor lives in Cheltenham, and while driving from that place to here, they drank so many times that the doctor became considerably under the influence of liquor. On arriving here they went to a druggist and procured some medicine, after which they went to Vance's house. Mrs. Vance was preparing supper when they arrived. She was in excellent health, but for some unknown reason she was opposed to having any more children, and it was at her request, according to her husband's statement, that he consulted the doctor, and asked him to produce an abortion. She was the mother of three children, and had been married for several years. A few minutes after reaching the house the doctor and Mrs. Vance went into her bedroom. What occurred there is so awful, so horrible, that it can scarcely be told; yet, fearful as the facts are they cannot be concealed. A few minutes after they had entered the room the woman called to her husband for help, and moaned aloud with pain. Vance ran in and found his wife dying. Dr. McConnell having, with a feignishness unparalleled in the annals of crime, with his own hands, not even using the instruments, torn the unfortunate woman's womb and intestines from her. In less than half an hour she died. These are the simple facts. The neighbors being called in and having informed the authorities, McConnell was arrested, and to-day Coroner Dr. Wright held an inquest, when the following evidence was taken:

John Vance sworn, said—I am husband of deceased; my wife was in good health yesterday; she performed her ordinary household duties; I got a horse from Jarvis' stable to go for Dr. McConnell, of Cheltenham; she often wanted me to get medicine for her, but I never allowed her to do so; I did not want to have the child; I went and got such a prescription as she desired from Dr. McConnell about two weeks ago; it was made up by the druggist in Georgetown; the medicine made her sick at the stomach but did not have the effect she had looked for; the prescription produced in court is the one I received from the doctor; on Sunday last the doctor said the prescription had not been properly mixed by the druggist; the doctor came down with me last night in a buggy I had brought for him; we were drinking in Cheltenham, in Glenwilliam, and at hotels in Georgetown; we arrived at Vance's hotel, Georgetown, about 11 o'clock; cannot say how many drinks we had; we afterwards went to the druggist for medicine; the doctor got what he wanted and I paid for it; we then proceeded to my house; found my wife up getting supper ready; she went into the bed room and the doctor followed her and partly closed the door; he shortly after came to the door, and my wife called me to take our three children into another room; while I was removing them I heard her call out "Oh, doctor!" and moan; in a few moments she called out "Johnny, Johnny!" and I rushed into the room, and seeing that my wife was in great suffering, I called out "my God, doctor, what has you done?" He said she was all right, or would be shortly; the doctor then told me to go for a pint of brandy, which I procured at Clark's hotel, and brought home; he gave her some of it mixed with water, and said she was getting better; he afterwards took several drinks of the brandy himself, using nearly all of it; the doctor soon after said she was dying, and slapped her and breathed into her mouth; I told him to go after Dr. Wright or Ranney; while he was away my wife died in my arms, and for some time I did not believe that she was dead; the doctor was away a considerable time and returned, stating that Dr. Wright was coming; I then awakened Mr. Brown and Mr. Wilson who came in about the same time as Dr. Wright; Dr. McConnell was drunk, or considerably the worse of liquor.

A Juror.—Who put the basin in the back room containing the womb and entrails?  
Witness.—The doctor handed it to me and I put it there.  
A Juror.—Did the doctor come with you for the purpose of procuring an abortion?  
Witness.—Yes.  
A Juror.—Was the doctor drunk when he first went to your house?  
Witness.—Yes. Dr. McConnell was in the room about five minutes before my wife cried out; she was dead before any of the neighbour's came in.

Dr. Starr, who held a *post mortem* examination of the body, made a statement that the organs were all in a sound and healthy condition, but that the womb and intestines were entirely removed; he found them in a basin in the house; it was clear that they had been torn from their position by force, thus causing the death of the woman.  
After hearing the evidence the jury returned a verdict of "Manlaughter" against J. McConnell, who was then committed to Milton Jail by the Coroner. The husband, though almost as guilty as the doctor, has not been arrested.

Dr. McConnell, the perpetrator of this fearful crime, is a young man who recently commenced practice in Cheltenham. He is a graduate of Toronto University, and is one of the most brilliant scholars that ever graduated at that institution. He there obtained the degree of B. M., carried off high honors every year of his course, and won a gold medal in graduating. Since graduating, however, Dr. McConnell appears to have become a lover of whiskey—which has destroyed so many great minds and shattered the prospects and hopes of its thousands of victims. "Through it he is now an inmate of a prison, charged with a crime that one shudders to think of it.

**FATAL ACCIDENT.**—On Thursday the 5th inst., an accident resulting fatally occurred on the farm of Mr. Robert Hay, near Hollis. A hired man named Thos. Mines was tying up a bull belonging to Mr. Mines, which had got loose in the stable, and while doing so the brute ran one of its horns into his abdomen and tossed him into the manger. The bowels protruded through the wound, and in about twenty-four hours the unfortunate Mines, aged 23 years, was a corpse.

**GUN ACCIDENT.**—On Saturday the 7th inst. a son of Mr. James Forster, 16th con., Garafaxa, was going out shooting, and came at a neighbour's, where a little boy took hold of the lower part of the gun, and accidentally pulled the trigger. The ball entered Forster's hand, at the base of the thumb, passed under the skin, and came out near the little finger. The boy is only 15 years of age.