

MONTHLY CATTLE FAIRS.

HARRISTON—Friday before the Guelph Fair.
BOSWORTH—Saturday before Guelph.
BRANTON—The Saturday before Guelph.
ELORA—The day before Guelph.
DOUGLAS—Monday before Elora fair.
GUELPH—First Wednesday in each month.
CLIFFORD—Thursday before the Guelph fair.
TEVOTDALE—Friday before the Guelph fair.
NEW HAMBURG—First Tuesday in each month.
BRULEN—First Thursday in each month.
ELMIRA—Second Monday in each month.
WATERLOO—Second Tuesday in each month.
MOUNT FOREST—Third Wednesday in each month.
HARVILL—Monday before Durham.
DURHAM—Tuesday before Mount Forest.
FERGUS—Thursday following Mount Forest.
OSANOVILLE—Second Thursday in January.
March, May, July, September and November.
MONO MILLS—Third Wednesday in January, April, July and October.
EMM—First Monday in January, April, July and October.
MABONVILLE—First Tuesday in February, May, August and November.
BRANTON—First Thursday in each month.
LISTOVEL—First Friday in each month.
HILLSBURG—Second Tuesday in January, March, May, July, Sept. and November.
MOOREFIELD—Monday before Guelph.
HAMILTON—Crystal Palace Grounds, the day after Guelph.

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TUESDAY EVENING, OCT. 21, 1873.

The Rival Clansmen:

A Scottish Vendetta. CHAPTER IV.

HECTOR AND FLORA PRISONERS—THE WITCH OF BEN LAIR—A DARK PROSPECT. Cameron was a man of great strength, of undoubted animal courage, and a perfect master of the weapon which he held in his hand; but with all these he was no match for Hector M'Leod; and had the struggle continued to be between themselves until the end, it would in all probability have been a signal victory for the young man. But between the two it was not suffered long to continue. A shadow darkened the threshold; another, and yet another, and Ian M'Kenzie, a look of devilish triumph gleaming in his eye, had entered the room followed by his clansmen.

At a signal from Ian, the Highlanders raised their wild cry, and flung themselves upon our hero. And now was the young man pressed sorely. Attacked on right, on left, and in front, he could not cope with all. Already had he drawn the crimson flow from Cameron, but no sword-point had reached him. The great drops of perspiration stood on his forehead, and his veins were swelled almost to bursting, but still he fought on.

Intent as was necessary upon the work before him, he did not observe that Ian M'Kenzie had stepped forward to Flora, addressing her, and attempting to take hold of her hand. But he was brought to understand that she was threatened by danger when suddenly a wild cry arose from her lips, and above the clashing and clanging of the weapons she was heard to exclaim—

"Back, Ian M'Kenzie; if you dare to touch me, this minute is your last."

In an instant Hector sprang back and lowered his sword point.

"Men," he cried out, in a clear, ringing voice—"men, what is it you mean? Is it a victory you wish, or is it to do murder? If it is murder, you do well to attack me altogether; if it is victory, have it fairly and honourably. Give me the odds I ask—if Ian M'Kenzie and Donald Cameron have sought with which to charge me, my sword will make them answer. With the others I have no quarrel and desire to raise none. Back, soon!" he shouted to Ian, who was again approaching Flora: "you shall have something else to do, if you are not a coward. Are you willing to try the issue?"

Ian turned, and bestowing on Hector a withering scowl, he shouted—

"At him, my kinsmen; ply him as long as he can raise a weapon."

And again the clansmen sprang forward.

But Hector was quicker than they. Rushing to the corner where Flora sat, he placed himself between Ian M'Kenzie and the trembling yet defiant girl, who had the pistol in her hand, ready to fire. Turning, he exclaimed, addressing Ian—

"You at least shall not escape some of the brunt of this infamous outrage."

And before M'Kenzie could raise his sword to ward off the blow which Hector struck at him, the claymores had passed through his arm, and he staggered back yelling with pain; but before M'Leod could recover himself his other opponents were upon him, and, struggle as he might he was struck down—Flora uttering a wild, despairing cry as she saw her lover fall.

One of the clansmen sheathed his sword and went to the assistance of Ian, who was writhing with pain, and uttering terrible threats of vengeance against our hero, who in a few seconds had been disarmed, and had again risen to his feet. Although much exhausted, he was still un wounded.

The inn was in a fearful commotion. The innuents had felt alarmed when they heard the first sounds of altercation between Hector and the horseman who had arrived in such haste, and whom the landlord had addressed as "Drochdairech."

This was increased when they heard the clashing of weapons; and when Ian M'Kenzie and his men appeared and joined in the conflict they were almost beside themselves. Then the wild cry of Flora and the howling and yelling of Ian had altogether distracted them. The landlord ran about tearing his hair and uttering wild imprecations against the combatants, one and all of them. Once during the melee he had ventured to open the parlour door to see if there was any chance of putting an end to the unseemly scene, but a blade wielded by a brave Highlander having at the moment made a circle in the direction of the door, the point of the weapon just grazed the point of Gregor's proboscis, and, catching the rim of the broad bonnet which surmounted his head, caused it to fly upwards to the ceiling, whence it alighted amongst the combatants' feet to be trampled out of all shape and form. This was enough of experience to the cautious landlord, who precipitately withdrew, clutching his nose violently in both hands crying that it was opened up, and that his head was split.

In the midst of their own tribulation and excitement, the landlady and the gawky-looking servant girl bestowed sufficient attention upon Gregor to be enabled to affirm that it was no worse, and that he had received but a mere scratch—a statement which Gregor confirmed for himself by hastily running to a tubful of water which sat in the kitchen, and standing over it contemplating his physiognomy as reflected in the transparent fluid.

The village or clachan, too, appeared to be in an uproar, and numbers of Highlanders stood around the door, some armed and some unarmed; but none would venture to join in the struggle, because of the crowded state of the field of conflict—the small room—and because there was something about the quarrel they could not understand.

From Monday evening until three o'clock next morning unusual flocks of wild fowl passed over the city of Ottawa. They must have numbered millions.

Grand Opening of Show Rooms AT THE BRADFORD HOUSE.

Our Millinery and Mantle Show Rooms will be Opened on Saturday, the 4th inst., and Ladies are Invited to Call and See on that day.

GEORGE JEFFREY, GUELPH

The Cheapest House in the Dominion for Fancy and Staple Dry Goods.

Co-Operative Store. TABLE OIL BAIZE

In all the new Patterns; Fingering and Knitting Yarns in two qualities;

Ladies', Men's and Boys'

WOOL UNDERCLOTHING.

NOTICE.

Dividends are now being paid to parties who purchased from us during the past three months.

J. C. MACKLIN & Co.

GUELPH, Oct. 11, 1873.



THE GOLDEN LION NEW FALL AND WINTER GOODS!

Immense Importations! Immense Importations!

The Largest! Most Attractive! Most Fashionable! and the Cheapest Goods ever Imported by any one House in Canada!

The Golden Lion this season will have the most extraordinary Stock of Fancy and Staple Goods ever exhibited.

Over 560 Cases and Bales to Arrive; 340 Cases and Bales already received.

Containing Silks, Poppins, Fancy Dresses, French Merinos, Shawls, Mantles, Millinery, Furs, Prints, Flannels, Blankets, and an

Immense Stock of Household Furnishings

ALL TO BE ON EXHIBITION THIS WEEK.

CHANCE & WILLIAMSON.

Guelph Sept. 9, 1873.

GUELPH CLOTH HALL

Our Stock is now fully assorted for the Fall and Winter Trade, comprising all the Newest and Most Stylish Goods in the Country.

SHAW & MURTON,

MERCHANT TAILORS

Wyndham St., Guelph.

Guelph, Sept. 27, 1873

HOTEL CARD. The Right Man in the Right Place.

THOMAS WARD, late of the Crown Hotel, begs to inform the travelling public that he has acquired possession of the Victoria Hotel, next door to the Post Office, where he proposes to merit a fair share of public patronage, both from old and new friends. The best of Liquors, Wines, Cigars &c., constantly on hand. A good hostler always in attendance. Remember the spot—next door to the Post Office.

THOMAS WARD, (Late of Crown Hotel), Proprietor. Guelph Dec. 5th, 1872.

FOR SALE—Allendale Cottage and Lands—the property of the late Richard Jackson, Esq., containing about 50 acres of land, about a third of it being well wooded with handsome shade trees, balance chiefly meadow, on which there is a convenient dwelling house containing dining room, sitting room, 4 bedrooms, kitchen, parlour and woodshed, with stable, coach-house, and sheds, having a good garden with some choice fruit trees. This property is situated on the Waterloo Road two miles from the Market, and is most pleasantly situated in the vicinity of Guelph, and is well worthy the attention of parties desiring to purchase in this neighborhood. Price and terms liberal, and will be made known on application to CHAS. DAVIDSON, Town Hall Buildings, Guelph.

REMOVAL. W. D. Hepburn & Co.,

Have removed their Boot and Shoe Store to the very extensive premises on the Corner of Wyndham Street and St. George's Square.

Their old store being too small on account of the continual increase in the Wholesale Manufacturing, as well as in the Retail Departments they have now fitted up the new and much larger place in first-class style, and would intimate to their very numerous customers and the public generally that having increased the facilities for manufacturing they are now able to offer to the public first-rate goods in all branches, at lower prices than ever before.

Custom Work

in all its branches made to order.

Repairing Done Neatly and Cheaply as Heretofore.

The public are cordially invited to visit the new store, and examine our Goods.

W. D. HEPBURN & CO.

Guelph, Oct. 1, 1873.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869. John A. McMillan, Insolvent.

The whole of the Estate belonging to the Insolvent is now being sold at a Tremendous Sacrifice.

BOOTS AND SHOES

20 per cent. less than cost.

Intending purchasers will consult their own interests by giving us a call.

NOTE THE PRICES:

Men's Cowhide Boots - \$2 00 Women's Pebble Ball - 0 75 Boys' Cowhide Boots - 1 50 Women's Prunella Ball - 0 75

Country dealers treated liberally.

Guelph, Sept. 29, 1873.

WM. McLaren, Assignee.

GUELPH TEA DEPOT

For the Best Tea at the Lowest Price.

E. O'DONNELL & Co.

Has in Stock

A good Sweet Japan Tea for 25c per lb. A splendid Young Hyson Tea for 50c per lb. The best Dollar Tea by the caddy 80c per lb. A very pleasant flavored Black Tea for 50c per lb. The best Black Tea imported for 75c per lb. Gunpowder Tea, well worth 75c, for 50c by the caddy.

People from the Country can have their goods sent to the Station or Hotels and people of the Town we will send the goods to your houses. Give us a call. We will send you away satisfied.

E. O'DONNELL & Co.

Guelph, Oct. 10, 1873.

Wyndham Street, Guelph.

JACKSON & HALLETT,

Retail Grocers, etc.,

Lower Wyndham Street, - - Guelph.

We have in store Three Hundred and Fifty half chests and chests of

CHOICE NEW SEASON TEAS

Consisting of 190 half chests of Choice Young Hyson, 80 half chests of Fine Gunpowder, 30 half chests and chests Choice Blacks, 50 half chests Fine Japan Teas.

FRUITS, &c.

New Raisins, New Currants, Fresh Fancy Biscuits, Choice Smoking Tobacco, Sugars broken loaf and ground, Rice, Oatmeal, &c.

ALSO, OUR OWN IMPORTATIONS

Of Hennessy and Martell Brandy, Oatard's & Finett's Brandy, Hunt's celebrated Ports, Vergara's Celebrated Sherries, Holland and Tom Gins, Scotch and Irish Whiskies, Domestic Whiskey.

Our stock will be found well assorted. Teas are sold by us in caddies of 10 or 20 lbs, at ten to fifteen cents less than the usual price. Our stock is the largest in the Town of Guelph and everything we sell we guarantee to give satisfaction or no sale.

JACKSON & HALLETT,

Lower Wyndham-street, Guelph.

Guelph, Oct. 11, 1873

JAMES CORMACK,

TAILOR AND CLOTHIER,

No. 1, Wyndham Street,

Has now on hand a superior stock of

FRENCH SCOTCH ENGLISH AND CANADIAN WOOLENS

Suitable for the Fall and Winter.

FRENCH COATINGS A SPECIALTY THIS SEASON.

A MAGNIFICENT DISPLAY OF

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS;

Also, a large and well assorted stock of

Ready-made Clothing at very low prices.

JAMES CORMACK, No. 1, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

Leaving Town—Bound for the West, the Great Northwest! \$15,000 worth of Dry Goods and Groceries to be disposed of in six weeks. Sale to commence on Monday, the 6th inst. MR. G. B. FRASER

RAYMOND'S SEWING MACHINES

Family Sewing Machine (single thread) Hand Lock Stitch (double thread) No. 1, Foot Power. No. 2, for heavy work. Finished with plain tables, half, or Cabinet, as required. CHARLES RAYMOND, GUELPH, ONT. July 12, 1873