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your wull the day, sir?" And if you men, more than other men perhaps, and order the suit, but when she sees THE HOUSE WITH THE said your wu'll was tobacco, she have the three great essentials of it lying there across her knees, she would answer, "Ou, sir, I dinna sell commercial success-imagination to just cannot resist it. (And fine

BY GEORGE DOUGLAS.

CHAPTER X.-(Continued.) I has ill-used us. Wilson took a scunne soon see what he's meaning to be at. Now that his furniture's in, he surely opening up, and there were bound to with a brush in her bonnet once. Be- ing cautiously from point to point, ing in their braws! And, there's that canna keep us in the dark much long-

Their curiosity was soon appeased. Within a week they were privileged to read the notice here appended:

phrase of Wilson's retire and solitary to the inhabitants of Barbie and sur-

rounding neighborhood that he has He was "looking about him" in Glastaken these comodious premises, No. 1, The Cross, which he intends to open cousin William-the borer he! After shortly as a Grocery, Ironmongery and General Provision Store. J. W. is apprised that such an Emporium has long been a felt want in the locality. meet this want is J. W.'s intention. they fell to a serious discussion of the He will try to do so, not by making commercial possibilities of Scotland. large profits on a small business, but The borer was of the opinion that the by making small profits on a large busi-Braes of Barbie had a future yet, "for ness. Indeed, owing to his long acquaintance with the trade Mr. Wil- a' the gaffer was 30 keen on keeping his men in the dark about the coal." son will be able to supply all commo-

Now Wilson knew (as what Scotsman dities at a very little over cost price. For J. W. will use those improved does not?) that in the middle-fifties methods of business which have been coal-boring in Scotland was not the confined hitherto to the larger centres honorable profession that it now is. of population. At his Emporium you More than once, speculators procured will be able, as the saying goes, to lying reports that there were no minerbuy everything from a needle to an als, and after landowners had been

anchor. Moreover, to meet the con- ruined by their abortive preliminary venience of his customers, J. W. will experiments, stepped in, bought the deliver goods at your own doors, dis- land and boomed it. In one notorious tributing them with his own carts either in the town of Barbie or at any eye, bribed a laird's own borers to convenient distance from the same. Be-ing a native of the district, his busi-Golconda from its impoverished owner, ness hopes to secure a due share of laid the basis of a vast fortune. your esteemed patronage. Thanking "Dy'e mean-to tell-me, Weelyum full name in the solemnity of the mo-

an early visit, "Believe me, Ladies and Gentlemen, ment, "d'ye mean-to tell-me, sir"-"Yours faithfully.

here sank his voice to a whisper-"that "JAMES WILSON." there's joukery-pawkery at work?"

Such was the poster with which "A declare to God a div," said Weelhood" were besprinkled within a week ded with alarmed sapience across his was con of "J. W.'s" appearance on the scene. beer jug. He was known as "J. W." ever after. "You be "You believe there's plenty of coal up

within a circuit of five miles; they were pasted, in smaller red letters, on

gutter.'

of November, to make and subsci fore a Supreme or County Court visions was exactly the same as the middle of the day to attend to other the pan, I'm thinking. He promises Rab Jamieson's house and barn (with nurious weaver, for all her heartiness in the forest and dro only for the fingers. The wood was of It was not until thre owre muckle to last long! He lauchs the field behind it) for a trifle. He had and laughing ways. She combined the author's delight in the figments of his folk's affairs-so here he was, started at owre loud to be merry at the end o't. For the loudest bummler's no the best where more could be had for the ask-where mor wonderful toughness, and Gourlay had Stipendiary or Police Magistrate. a detachment of C been known to bet that no man could of the Peace or Notary sent for, appeared ary declaration provided by th break the handle of his stick by a started in pursuit of ing like a Cumnock quean, and fleece author, happy with his thronging led the bodies when the cart went by. bee, as my father, honest man, used to ing. cipal Elections A Rab Jamieson's barn was a curious you in the selling like the cadgers o' thoughts (when they are kind enough "Yon was a bash in the eye to him. single grip over the crook and under it. This declaration may be tell the minister.' Yet now, as he saw his bargain whisk-the Clerk of the Municip DEALING IN "Ah-ah, I'm no sure o' that," said building to be stranded in the midst of Kincardine. When Wilson was abroad to throng) is no happier than Wilson Ha, ha!--he's not to have it all his own ed away from him and listened to Wil-Tam Brodie. "I foregathered wi' Wil- Barbie. In quaint villages and little on his affairs he had no need to be municipal office on Glanford was on nights like these. way now!" NOTE.-Assessed real est son's jibe, the thing snapped in his Decision of United Wilson had slid into the carrying in son on Wednesday last, and I tell ye, towns of England you sometimes see a afraid that things were mismanaging He had not been a week on his grip like a rotten twig. He stared those who have bought r sirs, he's worth the watching. They'll mellow red-tiled barn, with its rich at home. During his first year in Barrounds when he saw a "chaice" wait- the natural development of business. Appeal ing for development. When out "de- It was another of the possibilities as if wondering how they came there, down at the broken pieces for a while, municipality during 190 need to stand on a baikie that put the yard, close upon the street; it seems to ble Mrs. Wilson was his sole helper. call at the municipal St. Paul. Minn., No branks on him. He has the considering have been hemmed in by the houses She had the brawny arm of a gaintness livering" he used to visit the upland which he saw and turned to his adheir names are duly d and dethen dashed them on the ground while eye in his head-yon lang far-away round, while dozing, so that it could toss a bag of meal like a farms to buy butter and eggs for the vantage. The two other chief grocers willow show the maximum the state them cheaper so in the place Cuppingham the dirty. States court of appeals claration made before the Municipal Asglimmer at a thing from out the end not escape with the fields fleeing from sessor (H. O. Cace), according The municipal office is open baby; to see her twirl a big ham on ed down a decision u Emporium. He got them cheaper so. in the place, Cunningham the dirty, the counter was to see a thing done as But more eggs and butter could be had and Calderwood the drunken, having made the folk fall away. of the eyebrow. He turned it on my- the town. There it remains and gives strode-with a look on his face that ity of contracts for sell twa-three times, the cunning devil, a ripeness to the place, matching fitly between the hours of 9 a. m. and it should be. When Dru'cken Wabster than were required in the neighbor- no carts or horses of their own, were sale of grain for futur trying to keek into me, to see if he with the great horse chestnut yellow-"He's hellish angry," they grinned to Saturdays 9 a. m. to 1 p. m. Sunday came in and was offensive once, "Poo- hood of Barbie. Here was a chance dependent on Gourlay for conveyance practiced by the could use me. And look at the chance ing before the door, and the old inn each other when their foe was gone, legal holidays except Trade and the Mercha oor fellow!" she said (with a wink to for Wilson! He became a collector for of their goods from Skeighan. But HENRY O. CASI and laughed when they heard the he has! There's two stores in Barbie, further down, mantled in its blood-red a customer) "I declare he's in a high merchants at a distance. Barbie, be- Wilson brought his own. Naturally, he St. Louis. cause of it. "Ha, ha, Wilson's the boy to be sure; but Kinnikum's a dirty creepers. But that autumnal warmth fever," and she took him kicking to fore it got the railway, had only a was asked by his customers to bring a The case is that o to diddle him!" And yet they looked beast, and folk have a scunner at his and cosiness is rarely seen in the barer silly little market once a fortnight, parcel now and then, and nautrally, bethe pump and cooled him. Cleage, jr., appeal, aga "LAND REGISTRY ACT." queer when told that the famous stick goods, and Catherwood's a dru'cken streets of the north. How Rab Jemiwhich was a very poor outlet for stuff. ing the man he was, he made them pay To the Legal Representatives Thiebault, Deceased, Register er of Six (6 ft.) Feet Frontage Half (½) of Lot Eight Hund Seventy-Eight (878), Victoria Take notice that an application made to register W. A. and W Robertson as the owners in fe-above land under a Tax Sale Do the Corporation of the City of Vi George Henry Brown, dated the October, 1992, and you are req contest the claim within thirty of from the first publication thereo Dated at the Land Registry Of toria, British Columbia, this th day of October, one thousand n dred and six. ley and others. Cle With a mate like that at the helm had snapped in his grasp like a wormswine, and his place but sairly guided. son's barn came to be stuck in Barbie Wilson provided a better one. Another for the privilege. With that for a every sail of Wilson's craft was trimabout 14,000,000 bushe eaten larch-twig. "Lord!" cried the That's a great strok o' policy, too, nobody could tell. It was a gaunt grey thing played into his hands, too, in start the rest was soon accomplished. less than two per cer med for prosperity. He began to baker in admiring awe, "did he breaw to deliver folk's good on building with never a window, but a that connection. It is a cheese-making Gourlay had to pay now for his years it with the ae chirt! It's been tried by promising ered. He testified th "look about" him to increase the fleet. their own doorstep to them. There's a bole high in one corner for the sheaves, countryside about Barbie, and the less of insolence and tyranny; all who had tend to deliver or to CHAPTER XI. scores of fellows for the last twenty whole jing-bang of out-lying clachans and a door low in another corner for butter produced at a cheese-making irked beneath his domineering ways under his contracts u years, and never a man of them was round Barbie that he'll get the trade auld Rab Jamieson. There was no mill That the Scot is largely endowed place-the better for the cheese. Still, got their carrying done by Wilson. Ere so in order to prev up till't! Lads, there's something of by a dodge like that. The like was inside, and the place had not been with the commercial imagination his a good many pounds are often churned long that prosperous gentleman had from being closed out never tried hereaway before. I wadna used for years. But the roof was good, splendid about Gourlay's wrath. What foes will be ready to acknowledge. on the sly. What need the cheese mer- three carts on the road, and two men of the board of the exc man he is when the paw-sion grups wonder but it works wonders." chant ken-it keepit the gudewife in under him to help in his various af-Imagination may consecrate the world kers to whom he beca and the walls stout and thick and Wilhim!' to a man, or it may merely be a visual- | bawbees frae week to week-and if she | fairs. It did. a creditors' petition son soon got to work on his new possing faculty which see that, as al- took a little cream frae the cheese now Carting was only one of several new "Thplendid, d'ye ca't?" said the Dea-It was partly policy and partly acci- session. He had seen all that could be which Cleage was ready perfect, which is still lying in and than they werena a pin the waur developments in the business of J. W. his thplendid wrath yet." dent that brought Wilson back to Bar- made of the place the moment he clapon. "He may thwing in a towe for bankrupt. The adjud the raw material. The Scot has the o't, for she aye did it wi' decency and When the navvies came in about the bie. He had been managing a wealthy ped an eye on it, and he knew that he ruptcy was assailed of lower faculty in full degree; he has caution! Still it is as well to dispose town and accommodation was ill to were a pair of gladiators for whom the From that day Wilson and Gourlay old merchant's store for a long time in had found a good thing, even if the red and six. Cleage was not legall Aberdeen, and he had been blithely pits should never come near Barbie. S. Y. WOOTTON the forecasting leap of the mind which of this kind of butter quietly, to avoid find, Wilson rigged up an old shed in of the alleged credito sees what to make of things-more, gabble among ill-speakers. Wilson, the corner of his holm as a hostelry for looking forward to the goodwill of it, The bole and door next the street were people of Barbie made a ring. They that their claims aga sees them made and in vivid opera- slithering up the back road with his ten of them-and they had to pay other and hounded them on to rivalry when jink, at the old man's death, in walled up, and a fine new door opened sees them made and in vivid opera-tion. To him there is a railway through the desert where no railway exists, and mills along the quiet stream. And his perfervidum ingenium is quick to at-tempt the result of the ways as not much to he tempt the result of the made in this way way not much to he tempt the result of the made in this way way not much to he tempt the result of the made in this way way not much to he tempt the result of the made in this way way not much to he tempt the result of the made in this way way not much to he tempt the result of the made in this way way not much to he tempt the result of the made in this way way not much to he tempt the result of the made in this way way not much to he the tempt the result of the made in this way way not much to he the tempt the result of the made in this way way not much to he the tempt the result of the made in this way way not much to he the tempt the result of the made in this way way not much to he the tempt the result of the made in this way way not much to he the tempt the result of the made in this way way not much to he the tempt to he tempt to tempt to he tempt to he grounded upon wager stepped a nephew, and ousted the in the middle, flanked on either side therefore were void. oor fellow. He had bawled shrilly, by a great window. The interior was The court of appeal but to no purpose; he had to be travel- fitted up with a couple of counters and evidence did not discl perfervidum ingenium is quick to at- was a kind of contraband. All that he bled them both ways. Then there was their ancient enemy. It was strange ling. When he rose to greatness in a wooden floor; and above the new settle the obligation of tempt the realizing of his dreams. That made in this way was not much to be the scheme for supplying milk-another that a thing so impalpable as gossip the scheme for supplying milk—another perhaps, and fourpence on the pound of butter—still, you know, every little makes a mickle, and hained gear helps Barbie it was whispered that the nep- wood ceiling there was a long loft for paying to, or receiving hew discovered he was feathering his a store room, lighted by skylights in is why he makes the best colonist. parties thereto the d Galt is his type-Galt, dreaming in perhaps, and fourpence on the pound winter, Barbie was dependent for its John Gourlay to his ruin. But it did. own rest, and that was the reason of the roof. That loft above the rafters, the contract price boyhood of the fine water power a fel- of butter-still, you know, every little milk supply on heavy farm carts that The bodies of Barbie became not only his sharp dismissal. But perhaps we thought the provident Wilson, will prices at the time of makes a mickle, and hained gear helps weel. And more important than the half-past seven in the morning, jang-the withmate re-ling balls to waken sleeps customers. Ing it aboard and discussing his downfall: they became also, merely by J. E. BATEMAN. should credit that report to Barbie's come in braw and handy for storing low could bring round the hill, from makes a mickle, and hained gear helps the stream where he went a fiching weel. And more important than the ot make the transact disposition rather than to Wilson's things, so it will. And there, hey presto! the stream where he went a-fishing biov. the stream where he went a-nshing (they have done it since), dreaming in immediate profit was the ultimate re-manhood of the cities yet to rise amid sult. For Wilson, in this way, estabmisal. But perhaps he should credit the transformation was achieved, and that report to Barbie's disposition ra- Wilson's Emporium stood before you. INCREASED Ontario's woods (they are there to lished with merchants, in far-off Fech- of hairy yellow out the raw air. But piece and an active cause of the catasther than to Wilson's misdemeanor. It was crammed with merchandise. witness to his foresight). Indeed, so ars and Poltandie, a connection for the Mrs. Wilson got four cows, black- trophe. Their gossip seemed to ma-Wilson might have set up for himself the white flapping slant of a couple of Notice is hereby given that after date, I intend to apply to Chief Commissioner of Lands a For Employees of Re flushed and riotous can the Scottish sale of country produce which meant calvers who would be milking strong terialize into a single entity, a someafter date, I intend to apply t Chief Commissioner of Lands for a special license to cut in the nippy northern town. But it is awnings, one over each window, you the Standard Oil an instinct with men who have met might read in black letters, "JAMES mind become over a commercial pros-a great deal to him in future, when he in December, and supply milk to all thing propelling, that spurred Gourlay pect that it sometimes sends native launched out as cheese-buyer in oppo- the folk about the Cross. with a rebuff in a place, to shake its WILSON: EMPORIUM." The letters timber from th away Lima, Ohio, Nov. 9. dust from their shoes, and be off to of "James Wilson" made a triumphal on to the schemes that ruined him He lands, situated in Barkley caution by the board, and a man's sition to Gourlay. mencing at a stake planted of the S. E. corner of the Section No. 10, Sarita Rive five to ten per cent. in She had a lass to help her in the was not to be done, he said; he would seek their fortunes in the larger world. really fine idea becomes an empty balarch. to which "Emporium" was the It "occurred" to him also (things house now, and the red-headed boy show the dogs what he thought of employees of the re vanities. There is a megalomaniac in the "Scotch Cuddy" business had as corners like a weasel, running mess- while the wary Wilson watched him, We take a scunner at the place that the Standard Oil C base. It seemed symbolical. 120 chains, thence south 40 Now, the shops of Barbie (the nounced here to-day every parish of Scotland. Well, not so fine a chance in "Barbie and surround- ages hot-foot, errand boy to the smiling at the sight. west 40 chains, thence sout affects immediately 9 drunken man's shop and the dirty west 40 chains, that to be said of them. But in every district, almost, you may find a poor construe who for thirty yours has abor chains, the Solar refinery he man's shop always excepted, of course) west There was a pretty hell-broth brewhad usually been low-browed little of employees at Welker DODDS places with faded black scrolls above Pa.; Whiting, Ind.; creature who for thirty years has cher- is a beast of burden, and not from the panied with much disarray. Wilson's (To be continued.) Denver and Charleston the door, on which you might read in ished a great scheme by which he nature of his wits. He is a trevelling yard was the strangest contrast to dim gilt letters (or it might be, in means to revolutionize the world's com- packman, who infests communities of Gourlay's. Gourlay's was a pleasure white): Notice is hereby given that, 3 after date, I intend to apply to th Chief Commissioner of Lands and for special license to cut and carry timber from the following de lands, situated in Barkley District mencing at a stake planted at the corner of Section No. 8, Sarita thence south 80 chains, thence w chains, thence north 80 chains. east 80 chains to the point of comm SUDDEN DE merce, and amass a fortune in mon-strous degree. He is generally to be on the credit system, receiving pay-to the eye, everything of the best and everything in order, since the master's or the order of the best and everything in order, since the master's Ask your grocer for "Licens'd to Sell Tea & Tobacco." Fernie Hotel Man Pass Preparing to Underg PILLS 'Licens'd'' was on one corner of the seen shivering at the Cross, and (if ment in instalments. You go into a pride would not allow it to be other. (IIIII) Canadian ribboned scroll, "To Sell Tea &" occu- you are a nippy man) you shout care- working man's house (when he is away But, though Wilson's Emporium was pied the flowing arch above, with "To- lessly in going by, "Good morning, from home for preference), and, lay- clean, his back yard was littered with George Clode, manage Wheat Flakes George Clode, manage Fernie, and a popular an dent of the town for se suddenly on Sunday m preparing to undergo an he suddenly expired. A the Mayor all business were closed on Monday bacco" in the other corner. When you Tamson; how's the scheme?" and he ing a swatch of cloth across his wife's dirty straw, broken boxes, old barrels, mounted two steps and opened the would be very willing to tell you, if knee, "What do you think of that, mis- stable refuse, and the sky-pointing KIDNEY Each packet contains a very Joor, a bell of some kind went "ping" only you would wait to listen. "Man," tress?" you enquire, watching the ef- shafts of carts, uplifted in between. HEUMATISH SEA handsome premium of fine in the interior, and an old woman in a he will cry eagerly behind you, "if I fect keenly. Instantly all her covetous When boxes and barrels were flung out mutch, with big specs slipping down only had anither wee wheel in my in-heart is in her eye, and, thinks she to of the Emporium they were generally chinaware. Located Oct. 17th, 1906. R. S. HUGHES, her nose, would come up a step from a vention—she would do, the besom! I'll herself, "Oh, but John would look well allowed to lie on the dung hill, until BRACKMAN-KER Per E. J. Conner, Age were closed on Monday dim little room behind, and wiping her sume have her ready noo." Poor Tam- in that, at the Kirk on Sunday!" She they were converted into firewood. service was being held The body was forward P. 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ocht now but the tape and sweeties." conceive schemes, common sense to And then you went away, sadly. correct them, and energy to push them before her!) Now that the goods are With the exception of the dirty through. Common sense, indeed, so in the house she cannot bear to let **GREEN SHUTTERS** man's shop and the drunken man's far from being wanting, is in most them out the door again. But she hints shop, that kind of shop was the Barbie cases too much in evidence, perhaps, a scarcity of cash. "Tut, woman!" kind of shop. But Wilson changed all that. One side of the Emporium was crammed with pots, pans. pails, quieter language, she makes the aver-quieter language, she makes the aver-pay me in instalments!" How much scythes, gardening implements, and age Scotsman to be over-cautious. His would the instalments be, she enquires. saws, with a big barrel of paraffin par- combinations are rarely Napoleonic "Oh, a mere trifle-half-a-crown a titioned off in a corner. The rafters until he becomes an American. In his week, say." She hesitates and hankon that side were bristling and hoary native dales he seldom ventures in a ers. "John's Sunday coat's getting with brushes of all kinds dependent daring policy. And yet his forecasting quite shabby, so it is, and Tam Mac-"Well, well," said the Provost, "we'll at Aberdeen, and decided to leave it on see what he's meaning to be at. and look round him. Scotland was wife (who was a six-footer) went off ties." So he contents himself by creep-

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be heaps of chances for a man like hind the other counter were canisters ignoring big reckless schemes and us- Paisley shawl for herself, too; eh, but went round to the back to see wilson him! "A man like me," was a frequent phrase of Wilson's retire and solitary bags of meal, and great yellow cheeses at a florid opulence. He has expressed down the road on Sunday in that rig!— cried Mrs. Wilson, as she threw down speculation. "Aye," he said, emerg-ing from one of his business reveries, "There's bound to be heaps o' chances for a man like me if the window. The rafters here were the window. The rafters here were beaty with their wealth of hams, they would take the licht frae Meg a plank, to make a path for him across a dub—"Tut," she laughed, "the clar-better horse, though big-by-big's the better horse, though big-by-big's the always so en-vy-fu'!" Love, vanity, they would take the licht frae Meg a dub—"Tut," she laughed, "the clar-tier the coster!" And it was as true "Mr. James Wilson begs to announce the inhabitants of Barble and sur-better indigination begs to announce the inhabitants of Barble and sur-

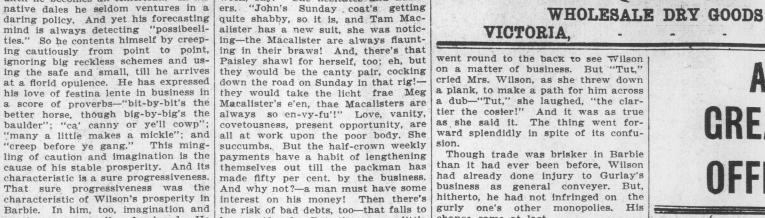
son christened it. All along the back, gow when he foregathered with his in glass cases to keep them unsullied, ling of caution and imagination is the payments have a habit of lengthening were bales of cloth, layer on layer to cause of his stable prosperity. And its themselves out till the packman has than it had ever been before, Wilson many "How are ye, Jims's" and mu- the roof. It was a pleasure to go into tual spierings over a "bit mouthful of yill"—so they phrase it, but that was a meiosis, for they drank five quarts- teeth watering. There was always a Barbie. In him, too, imagination and the risk of bad debts, too-that falls to gurly one's other monopolies. His big barrel of American apples just in-side the door, and their homely frag-was always foreseeing "chances" and risk of bad debts, thou there was little chance came at last. He appeared on a rance wooed you from afar, the melprovision trade, heretofore, as a mean son's barn?-there was caution in man for that. and meagre occupation, but now the that, for it was worth the money whatimagination of each gallant youth was ever happened, and there was imaginfired and radiant; he meant to be a ation in the whole scheme, for he had ies at a score of wee houses, when grocer.

Mr. Wilson presided over the Em-porium. Wilson had a treasure in his And every "chance" he seized led to large scale-for mining villages were wife. She was Aberdeen born and a better one, till almost every bred, but her manner was the manner "chance" in Barbie was engrossed by of the South and West. There is a broad difference of character between work. Note the "bit-by-bitness" of the peoples of East and West Scotland. his great career.

The East throws a narrower and a nip-When Mrs. Wilson was behind the Midlands and had retired to Barbie on pier breed. In the West they take counter, Wilson was out "distributing." a snug bit fortune—he was thinking of Burns for their exemplar, and affect He was not always out, of course—his Sandy when the plan rose generous on volume of trade at first was not big his mind. He would soon have more cheese merchant. the jovial and robustious-in some cases it is affectation only, and a enough for that, but in the mornings, horses than one on the road-why mighty poor one at that. They claim and the long summer dusks, he made shouldn't they carry swatches of cloth for't?" said Wilson. you, in anticipation, for the favor of Wilson," said James, giving him his to be bigger men and bigger fools than his way to the many outlying places as well as groceries? If he had rethe Eastern billies. And the Eastern billies are very willing to yield one in one and the same visit, he distribut-the in one and the same visit, he distributhalf of the contention.

Mrs. Wilson, though Eastie by nafuture. Though his bill had spoken of ments were levied correctly every ture, had the jovial manner that you "carts," as if he had several, that was week. And those colliers were reckless "Barbie and surrounding neighbor- yum with equal solemnity, and he nod- find in Kyle. More jovial, indeed, than only a bit of splurge on his part; his with their cash, far readier to commit bank book far too ostentatiously nmon in nippy Barbie, which, in general character, seems to have spring cart, with a good brown cob country bodies round. Lord! there was been transplanted from some sand between the shafts. But with this he money in the scheme. No sooner To be known by your initials is some- Barble Valley, and that they're keep- dune looking out upon the German did such a trade as had never been thought of than put in practice. Wil- offer, "you have no means of storing

qualify as voters in the forther nunicipal elections as householders, wood (one of the trifles he fed his pride tary order, marched mazes and developments, oblivious of of an empty journey back again, espean important day for him. He entered ity in Barbie was assured for ever. But on) the crook of which curved back to entered wagons which "Aye," said Sandy Toddle, "a fuff in on his feud with Gourlay, and bought she was as keen on the penny as a pethe passing miles. His delight in his cially as he had plenty of time in the persons are required, during the the stem and inhered, leaving space



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He appeared on a market day i using them, gripping the good and re- cloth-distributing. For success in that front of the Red Lion, a piece of pinlow savor cuddling round you half a jecting the dangerous (had he not game depends on pertinacity in pur-mile off. Barble boys had despised the gripped the chance of auld Rab Jamie-suit of your victim and Wilson was the first telegram ever seen in Drive Price Barbie, and it had been brought by special messenger from Skeighan. It \$3,15

was short and to the point. It ran: where he had been distributing grocer-"Will buy 300 stone cheese 8 shillings stone deliverey at once," and was sign-Gourlay was talking to old Tarmillan time, and he saw his way to a big and addressed Tarmillan, without a glance at the grain merchant.

"Have you a kane o' cheese to sell, He was thinking of Sandy Toddle, Irrendavie?" was his blithe saluation. Regular who had been a Scotch Cuddy in the "I have," said Irrendavie, and he Price eyed him suspiciously. For what was Wilson spiering for? He wasna a \$1.00

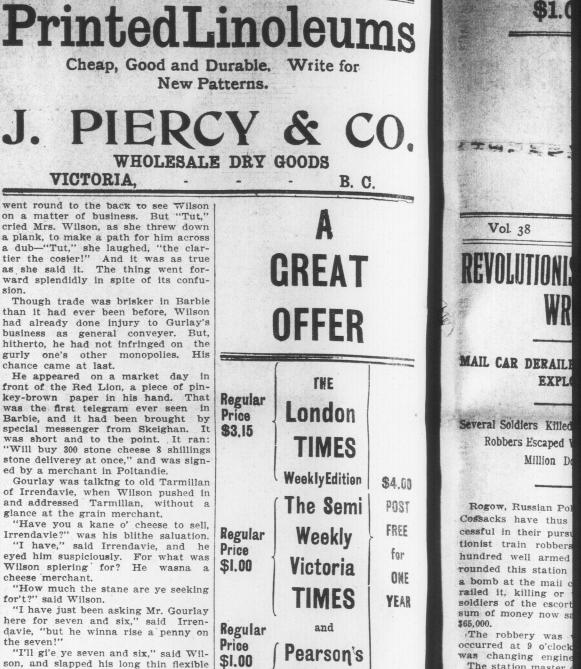
"How much the stane are ye seeking "I have just been asking Mr. Gourlay

here for seven and six," said Irrendavie, "but he winna rise a penny on ed goods and collected orders for the sion on the profits, to see that pay- the seven!" "I'll gi'e ye seven and six," said Wil-

son, and slapped his long thin flexible \$1.00 one conveyance at the first was a stout themselves to buying than the cannier against the knuckles of his left hand. "But-but," stammered Irrendavie, suspicious still, but melting at the

"Oh," said Wilson, getting in a fine

Then a strange thing happened and silver to their ov here! This is an unco splutter, as the son went forth to spy the land, and his neck, crying, "Run, mousie, or I'll thing could be made of that." He ten out Auchterwheeze road in the Notice is hereby given that in orde Gourlay had a curious stick of foreign oald sow said when she tumbled in the initiate the plan of campaign. It was catch ye!" On that day her popular- would follow his idea through all its early morning, and what was the use folding the red flag, f



The station master utionists hid in the ests, and were excel their commander givi bugle signals. When the robbery

times a mark of diffection, and some-times a mark of disrespect. It was purpose of their own?" ocean. She was big of hip and bosom, known in Barbie. The Provost said it son gave up the cloth-peddling after cheese.' revolutionists transpo OR to two wagons and m with sloe-black hair and eyes, and a was "shtupendous." five or six years-he had other fish to When Wilson was jogging homeward fry by that time-but while he was at one at Gourlay, "there's no drawback not a mark of affection in the case of "I do," said Weelyum. ruddy cheek, and when she flung back tary order, singing in that! The ways o' business have The London Times Weekly our "J. W." When Donald Scott slap-Rogow is now occup "God!" said James, gripping the table her head for the laugh her white teeth in the balmy evenings of his first sum- it he made money hand over fist at ped him on the back and cried "Hullo, with both hands in his excitement, flashed splendid on the world. That mer at Barbie no eye had he for the the job. changed greatly since steam came Eye-witnesses con W., how are the anchors selling?" close to our doors. It's nothing but that the revolutioni "God, if that's so, what a chance laugh of hers became one of the well- large evening star, tremulous above the But what boots it to tell of all his and either one of the others Barbie had found a cue which it was there's in Barbie! It has been a dead known features of Barbie. "Lo'dvanity nowadays when a country merthe neighboring wo woods, or for the dreaming sprays schemes? He had the lucky eye-and not slow to make use of. Wilson even town for twenty year, and twenty to sake!" a startled visitor would cry, the end o't. A verra little would buy "whatna skirl's tha-at!" "Oh, dinna business—he had other things to mind. Before he had been a week in Bart chant wastes money on a ramshackle train stopped the For \$3.30 received letters addressed to "J. W., of buildings for storing-there's no rifles, sprang upon all ecuting the orders c Before he had been a week in Barbie business-he had other things to mind. Anchor Merchant, No. 1. The Cross." need for that if he only had brains to be alarmed," a native would comfort | Yet Wilson was a dreamer, too. His | he met Gourlay, just at the Bend o' the A great chance to obtain England's the hauf o't. But property 'ull rise in Ours is a nippy locality. develop quick deliveries. Some folk, bugle. They shot and value like a pudock stool at dark, serr, him, "it's only Wilson's wife lauchin close musing eye, peering at the dusky- Brae, in full presence of the bodies. greatest weekly, British Columbia's no doubt, like to build monuments to But Wilson, cosy and cocky in his if the puits come round it! It will that, at the Cross!" brown nodge of his pony's hip through Remembering their first encounter the armes standing in fro greatest paper and a world-renowned their own pride, but I'm not one of that Sentinels were placed own good opinion, was impervious to If I was only sure o' your suspeccion, Her manner had a hearty charm. She the gloom, saw not that, but visions grocer tried to outstare him, but Gourmagazine at a bargain. Annual subthe chilly winds of scorn. His posters, Weelyum, I'd invest every bawbee I had a laugh and a joke for every cus- of chances, opportunities, occasions. lay hardened his glower and the grocer kind: there's not enough sense in that and the telegraph scriptions only, payable in advance, to F. S. Wright, Canadian Agent, the to satisfy a man like me. My offer While some of the rok in big blue letters, were on the smiddy have in i't. You're going home the When the lights of Barbie twinkled be- blinked. When the two passed, "I detomer, quick as a wink with her andoor and on the sides of every brig night, are ye not?" loesna hold, you understand, unless the trainmen others a swer; her jibe was in you and out fore him in the dusk he used to start clare!" said the bodies, "did ye see Times. Ottawa. Ontario. corts of the mail car. you deliver the cheese at Skeighan "I was just on my road to the sta- again, before you knew you were from a pleasant dream of some com- yon?-they're not on speaking terms!" station. Do you accept the condition wounded. Some, it is true, took exmercial enterprise suggested by the And they hotched with glee to think Three bombs, not on tion when I met ye," said Weelyum. Tam, the bellman, handed them about from door to door. The folk could talk ting back borne and the strill in the string back borne and strill in the string back borne at the strill in the string back borne at th "Oh. yes," said Irrendavie, "I'm willwere thrown. Two Municipality of Saanich ng to agree ta that." with terrific force, "C'way into the Red Lion then," said fitte matchwood, kill from door to door. The folk could talk ting back keeps you still in the same her a good one" the first time he went one day about a month later, just as water, fine air, labor cheap and every-Wilson, "and we'll wet the bargain and badly wounding of nothing else. thing handy. Or the Lintie's Linn Gourlay was passing up the street, Municipal Elections, 1907 mind o't. And directly I get your letin for snuff. But "Tut!" quoth she, with a drink to make it hold the tight-"Dod!" said the Provost when he ter, I'll run down and look about me." "a mim cat's never gude at the mice," among the woods-water power run- Wilson come down it with a load of The robbers then cars, transferred the read the bill, "we've a new departure The letter was encouraging, and Wil- and she lifted him out by the scruff of ning to waste yonder-surely some- coals for a customer! For he was of-

just left her tea-would say, "What's But these are the exceptions. Scots- have the cheek to go into a draper's the Provost in grave reproof, when he has no ready money, and would never "Mistree, you're a trifle mixed," said

ent will take play wife and one son.