Guelph Evening Mercury

OFFICE:......MACDONNELL STREET. THURSDAY EV'NG, JAN'Y 9, 1868.

The Maiden's Choice

OR, THE LAIRD OF BIRKENCLEUCH.

you.—hever?"

Did he not?' said Allan, in a tone of bitter passion. 'Do you call it no injury to
supplant me—to over-seach me—in my suit:
to get himself preferred to me by your father,
and have me kicked out of doors like a beagen
spaniel, while he remained to improve his
opportunity and, secure you for himself.
Think you I can either forget or forgive
that?'

or would injure us whom you should rather protect.'

Oh, yes, you were very magnanimous to e, and would have me prove magnanimous to you. But I tell you once for all that I han't see it. I will allow you, however, to be the arbiter of Walter Elliot's fate. Again to I offer you my hand, and remember it is not now the penniless bastard nephew of Sironas Allan who asks you to be his wife, not a Captain in his Majesty's service, whom ircumstances have made a more enviable natch for you than even the Laif of Birken-leuch. Accept my suit, and I will accord Walter Elliot the protection you ask. I will you for you can be the reference last night on the moor, and the blow I received from him. Become my wife and—'

Oh, Charlie, forbear, forbear; exclaimed Marion with a shudder. 'This may not, can be be.'

'You still refuse me, then,' rograd Allan when the sum of the

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REMOVAL.

Allan, you are a coward and a villain, said Walter Elhot, starting up, and in his strong indignation, towering to his full height, his eves flashing wrath, and his face expressive of bursting nanly rage.

Allan started back a pace towards the door drew his sabre, and pointed it towards Walter. Marion uttered a slight scream, and would have rushed between him and the glittering blade, but he drew her gently, though firmly back, keeping his glowing yees all the while steadfastly and sternly lixed on Charlie.

THIS ORIGINAL DOCUMENT IS IN VERY POOR CONDITION Sheddon & Co., cartage agents of the Grand Trunk Railway Company, was given by Mr. Sheddon, on the evening of Thursday, the 31st ult., at the saloon of Mr. Jas, Smith, Union Station, Mr. C. McKenzie cashier; occupied the chair, and Mr. Thos. Gray, foreman, the vice-chair. On the right of the chairman was Major Jas. Stephenson, Local Superintendent of the Grand Trunk, and on his left, Mr. George Spence, cashier G. T. R. Freight Want Depot, The entertainment was enlyened by the presence of the Grand Trunk

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Marion—'Now, Walter Elliot, hissed Allan, last night, when we parted, I swore that your triumph over me should be short-lived. You had the advantage then; I have it now How do you feel under the change of circumstances?

Walter maintained a contemptuous silence, as if he neither heard the speaker, nor was conscibus of his presence.

'Oh, ho! You affect to be sullenly insolent, do you?' continued the other, with a mocking laugh. 'But you cannot decrive me with a show of indifference. I well know your proud heart is writhing in its impatience. Let it writhe. I had long enough to bear scorn and contumely from you, and my soul gloats over this chance of enjoying revenge for all the insults you have heaped upon me!

'Oh, Charlie, how can you say such things of Walter,' cried Marion,' He never injured you—never!'

'Did he not?' said Allan, in a tone of hit.

Airan—By the Rev Geo. Macdonnell, on the 1st last, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Wn. Graham, of Fergus, to Barbara, daughter of Mr. Wm. Aiken, of the Township of Nichol.

STEWART—On Christmas day, at the ma Molville Church, Fergus, Mr. James D Garafraxa, to Miss Williamina Stewart to Township of Nichol, late from Orkney ER-OVERLAND. In Erin, by the Rev. J. A. Thompson, Mr. Wm. Beer, jr., to Miss M. A. Overland, all of Erin.

COMMERCIAL.

Guelph Markets. MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH. January 9, 1868.

sportunity and, secure you for himself. Think you I can either forget or forgive that?

It was not Walter's fault that your suit did not prosper, Charle! "exclaimed Marion bold in the consciousness of her wifely freedom, to speak much more plainly than she as a maiden could. 'He used no advantage against you but the advantage which he had in his own nature. He never tried to lower you in my esteem—he never said one word in your disparagement; and on no occasion did I know of him treating you unkindly.' Oh, no, of course not, regioned Allan with a malicious sneer. 'It was the highest presumption in such as me to feel hurt at any kind of treatment, or to dare to count myself equal to the Laird of Birkencleuch! I was then nobody, and could be safely transpled on. I bore it then because I could not better do. I can revenge myself now, and this very day I shall do it.'

'No! no! Charlie,' exclaimed Marion in an agriated tone. 'You will not be so base, so cruel, so ungrateful as to use your power for Walter's injury.'

'Chigrateful again!' roared Allan furious; what gratitude do I owe him or any of yon? Doubtless it was a great favour for the nameless bastard to be received into Greystone manse and allowed to eat of the crumbs that fell from the table,'

Charlie, your aspersions are as false as they are unjust,' burst out Marion, stung into indignation by Allan's groundless charges. 'No one in the house ever treated you ill by world or deed. My father acted like a father to you, Walter like a brother, and I as a sister. Therefore I say again it is ungrateful of you now, when for no tault of ours, but because we are made to suffer for conscience sake, we are placed within a power which a your would injare us whom you should rather proteet.

'Oh, yee, on were very magnanimous to me, and would have me prove magnanimous to commercial Bank Bills bought.

Money Market.

Jackson's Exchange Office.)-Guelph, January 9, 1868. Gold, 136). Greenbacks bo't at 72 to 73; Sold at 73 to 7.4 Silver bought at 4] to 4c. dis.; sold at 3]c to 4 Upper Canada Bank Bills bought at 50c. to 55c Commercial Bank Bills bought at 90c to 95c.

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Several farmers in the township of Ancister have suffered depredations in their sheep pens, attributed to a full-grown bear from the appearance of tracks discovered in the snow. A hunting party turned out on Saturday and traced the monster to the tenement of a club-fooled negro.

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