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Guelph Evening Mercury

SATURDAY EV'G, NOVEMBER 2.

POETRY.

Among the Stooks.

As night in harvest, when 'a' the lave
Were dancin' on the green,
I took young Mary's willing hand,
An' stole awa' unseen.
We were merrily dancin', and sune were socht
In the byre an' barn nooks;
But 'a' in vain; we were na there,
But out among the stooks.

An' ayen' aye, when I to mind
Past nights o' bliss rec',
That night in harvest, among the stooks
Ranks foremost o' them a'.

The hours flew by, an' charmed was I
By Mary's wile, the mair I felt
Enamoured by her smiles.
Her lips were sic a temptin' feast,
Nae fancies I partook;
For Cupid's dart had pierced my heart
That night ahint a stook.

I envy not the polished gent,
That's bred at fashion's schule,
Wha's taught to speak to hide his thochts,
An' coo'ies 'by the rule;
Nor wad I cast my fustian coat
To don a landid Duke's
An' time an' night o' joy complete
Like that among the stooks.

For aye an' syne, when I to mind
Past nights o' bliss rec',
That night in harvest, among the stooks,
Ranks foremost o' them a'.

NORAH CUSHALEEN

HAUNTED CASTLE.

'Well it is reasonable enough that you should claim the privilege of your tongue; and your independence of thought; and boldness of expression, though they chafed me somewhat just now, make me like you all the better. We can restrain your person, but it would be idle, I see, to think of restraining your speech, though your ideas are mistaken ones. So you may utter them as you please; I'll try to bear them with good humour, fortified with the thought that I can at least prevent you from putting them in practice.'

'Captain Jack, you are a strange mixture,' remarked Hargreave. 'In a lower sense you are brave, in a higher sense you are a coward.'

'A coward!' repeated the outlaw, the angry flush again mounting to his brow. 'Ay, a coward,' repeated Hargreave calmly. 'Instead of bearing your disappointment with manly fortitude, you take revenge on those who are innocent—myself, for example, and this other gentleman whom you have just captured. What earthly concern had we with the occurrence which made you the cruel and desperate man you have become.'

'You belong to a world with whom I am at war,' returned the captain; 'but this gentlemen is not the only capture my men have made to-day. The man who bought up my happiness with his gold is in the cave, and she is with him. I have seen her—had her standing before me, and witnessed her degradation. The old miser, her husband, whose wealth tempted her to be false to me, has consented to ransom himself, but he refuses to ransom her. Oh, is not this a rich reward of her perfidy? He prefers his gold to her—to save it he will leave her in our hands.'

'But you will not detain her,' said Hargreave; 'you will allow her to accompany him without a ransom?'

'Impossible,' said the captain. 'Our laws forbid it. If the old dotard persists in his resolution, her fate is sealed beyond all power to avert it.'

'And that fate is what?' asked Hargreave.

'Dishonour and death,' was the answer. 'Great Heavens!' exclaimed the listener, 'is it possible that you can consign the woman you once loved to such a doom?'

'Know you not that betrayed love turns into deepest hate?' said the captain as a shadow fell over his face.

'True love cannot hate,' responded Hargreave. 'If the object proves false, it can only pity and forgive. Oh, Captain Jack, if you can do this, I have utterly mistaken your nature—your humanity has gone out of you, and you have become a fiend.'

'This is not a personal act,' returned the captain, in tone which betrayed a little compunction of conscience. 'It is the fate of all females who are not ransomed. I am bound by the same oath that binds all my men, and I could not save her if I would.'

'Horrible, horrible!' said Hargreave, in a tone of disgust. 'But the false course you have adopted must inevitably lead to all that is monstrous and inhuman.'

'Whatever I am or will be, the world is to blame for it,' cried the captain impetuously. 'But I will leave you to make the acquaintance of your friend in misfortune, as you call him. I hope Mr. McSpurrie, you will imbue Mr. Hargreave with a little of your philosophy.'

'I dinna ken about that,' remarked Andrew, changing his voice as much as he could, 'every one thinks themselves right. But I have a favour to ask o' ye, Captain. I'm sair fashed w' rheumatism, and the air that's comin' whirr through that grating will be sure to raise them in me. Wud ye kindly get a screen o' some kind to set afore it?'

'Ah, I have often wished for that,' said Hargreave.

'It shall be attended at once,' said the Captain, as he hastily left the chamber; and in a very few minutes one of the men appeared with a piece of thick, well-oiled canvas, which he fastened to the wall of the chamber in the inside, causing it hang over the grating. This effectually stopped the draft, but it did what was more important, and what Andrew had in view when he made his request—it prevented any one on the outside of the grating from seeing into the chamber.

'Ah, this is more comfortable,' said Hargreave, as he languidly laid himself back in his seat. 'I am obliged to you, sir, for lessening the discomfort of imprisonment.'

Andrew waited till he heard the grate

her die away in the passage; then he went cautiously round in front of his master, and fixed his eyes meaningly upon him.

Hargreave, who had sunk into a melancholy abstraction, did not for some time notice him; but Andrew went nearer, and the light of the lamp shining full upon him, he caught the dreamy, listless eye of the youth, and secured his attention.

Hargreave eyed him at first with curiosity, then, struck by his singular and significant manner, his gaze became fully fixed, and he bent on him a look of silent inquiry.

Still he did not recognise him, and Andrew seeing this, lifted the wig from his brow, and gave him a full view of his countenance. The effect was instantaneous and electrifying.

'Good Heavens!—Andrew!' exclaimed Hargreave, starting up in breathless excitement.

'Whist, sir, for one sake whist,' whispered the faithful fellow, laying his finger on his lip. 'Dinna mak' any outcry, or a' is lost.'

'But how came you here?' asked the amazed youth, 'and who is your companion? Ha! Terry as I am alive.'

'Meself it is, yer honour, and no other body,' answered Terry in great delight.

'In the name of all that is wonderful how have you fallen into the hands of the robbers?'

'We didna fu' into their hands,' returned Andrew—'we raised rather, for we cam' up the mountain for the very purpose, for we kenn'd ye was here, and we ha'e cam' to try to get ye oot o' their clutches.'

'My faithful friends, your devoted touches me deeply,' said the youth. 'But your attempt will be fruitless, and may prove fatal to you both. But how did you learn my fate?'

Andrew and Terry, between them, related all that had occurred since the night of Hargreave's capture.

TO BE CONTINUED.

Note Lost.

LOST on Saturday night last, the 26th October, near Rockwood Station, a note of hand made by Stephen Matthews, in favour of the subscriber, for \$34. This is to caution any one from negotiating or paying the same, as payment of it has been stopped.

THOMAS BENSON, dr

Guelph, Nov. 1, 1867.

FRESH BISCUITS.

ARROWROOT, Albert, Coffee, Pie-nie, Queen's, White, Boston, Soda, Abernethy and Imperial BISCUITS, at

JOHN A. WOOD'S.

TOBACCOS.

FINE CUT CHEWING, Cut Plug, and Turkish Smoking. The best brands of Bright and Black Tobacco, at

JOHN A. WOOD'S.

Bottled Ale and Porter.

TORONTO Bottled Ale and Porter, at

JOHN A. WOOD'S.

Guelph, November 1, 1867. dw

THOS. GRIFFITH & CO.,

Wholesale Grocers,

39 Front-st., TORONTO,

ARE now receiving Ex S. S. Nova Scotian,

Moravian, and other vessels,

Boxes New Valencia Raisins

" New Layer do

" Very Prime West End

Layer Raisins

Bbls English Crushed Sugar

" New Currants

Bags and Pockets choice Java

Coffee

Qr Casks and Cases Dunville

Irish Whiskey

Cases Kinahan's L. L. do

Chests Half Chests, and Caddies

New Season, Plug Suesy,

Young Mysone, Gunpowder,

Congous, Souchongs, Color'd

and Uncolor'd Japans, Im-

perials, Twankay, Orange,

Pekoe, &c., &c.

Bags superior Arracan Rice

Cases English Thumb Blue

Bbls Brazil Nuts

Bags S. S. Almonds

" Walnuts

" Filberts,

Cases Pearl Tapioca,

" Thin's Pickles

" Booth's, Betts' and Bar-

clay's Old Tom

" John Bull Bitters

Crates Wine, Beer and Whiskey

Bottles

Cases Orange, Lemon & Citron

Peel

Boxes Valencia and Jordan Al-

monds

Cases Table Salt, in glass jars

do Liquorice, &c. &c.

AND DAILY EXPECTED

Crosse & Blackwell's Pickles, Sauces,

Preserves.

The above, together with a large stock of

GENERAL GROCERIES,

INCLUDING

Raw and Refined Sugars,

Bright and Dark Tobaccos,

(in Caddies, Butts and 1 Butts), and

WINES & LIQUORS,

COMPRISING

Pale and Dark Brandies,

Hollands and Old Tom Gin,

Jamaica Rum

Pale and Deep Golden Sherries,

Champagnes, &c.,

Will be sold at unusually Low Prices to the Trade.

TERMS LIBERAL.

THOMAS GRIFFITH & CO.,

WHOLESALE GROCERS,

39 Front Street.

Toronto, Nov. 1, 1867. dw-2a

COW LOST.

STRAYED from the premises of the subscriber, near Golden Mills, a brindled cow, with white spot on forehead and shoulder, and white on the belly. She is about 6 years old, and with horns turned inward. Any person giving information to the owner will lead to the recovery of the animal will be rewarded.

DANIEL CARTER

SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS.

Gore Bank,
Ontario Bank, and
Montreal Bank Bills

TAKEN AT A PREMIUM AT CUTHBERT'S

Book, Jewellery and Fancy Store.

Guelph, 29th October.

The

EXHIBITION

Prize

SHIRTS

and

DRAWERS

For Sale

At the Guelph

Cloth Hall.

A. THOMSON & CO.

Guelph, October 3, 1867. dwf

CO'MERCIAL BANK.

ROBERT RUTHERFORD

Will take Commercial Bank Bills AT PAR for the

SALES OF DRY GOODS,

For ONE WEEK from this Date. Being anxious to clear

out the Stock Bargains will be given.

ROBT. RUTHERFORD.

Guelph, Oct. 25, 1867. daw-1f

R. B. MORISON & CO.

HAVE received Large Additions to their FALL PURCHASES and have reduced all

their old Stock from 25 to 50 per cent., as also their

Recent Purchases to Meet the present Decline in the

Markets.

THE SHOW ROOMS.

They would invite attention to their Show Rooms, the greater portion of goods in the same having

been imported direct from the British Markets. Their stock of CLOTHS is not to be surpassed in

any retail store in the County, and prices as low if not lower than any other.

A Great Variety of Ready-Made Clothing.

Clothes made to order in the best of Style and on short notice. Groceries, Hardware,

Crockery, Glassware, Paints and Oils, Furniture, Stoves, Boots and

Shoes—a full supply.

R. B. M. is still AGENT FOR THE SALE OF MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Morrison, Oct. 24, 1867.

HAY IN TRUSSES

Constantly on hand. Also fine Straw for beds.

TERMS, CASH.

JOHN WEST.

Guelph, July 22. daw-1f

CAUTION.

I HEREBY give notice that a promissory note, dated 7th October, 1867, for \$80, payable to

Daniel Hoffmann or bearer, made by me, has been

obtained from me without value, and that I will

not pay the same.

THE RED MILL.

GRISTING & CHOPPING

THE Subscriber begs to inform the farmers and

the public that his Mill on the Waterloo Road

is now in running order, and that he is prepared to

do Gristing and Chopping on short notice

FLOUR AND FEED

FOR SALE AT THE MILL.

GREAT BARGAINS!

STAND ASIDE!

DRY GOODS AND CLOTHING

AT TREMENDOUS LOW PRICES.

A. O. BUCHAM

HAVING again visited the Eastern Markets, begs to announce that he has purchased for cash the

entire Wholesale Stock of one of the best Dry Goods Houses in Montreal at less than 50c. in

the dollar, and will

On and After TUESDAY NEXT

offer the whole Stock at unparalleled prices. A. O. BUCHAM always keeps on hand the best

and most select Stock of Goods, and will never be undersold by any person, no matter what his

pretensions may be. And in order to do a large business this season, he has secured an immense stock,

which will be sold at prices far below the mark.

Cheap Dresses and Shawls.

MANTLES AND JACKETS AT ASTOUNDING PRICES

TRIMMED BONNETS and HATS AT PRICES WHICH MUST

SATISFY EVERY PERSON.

Splendid Grey Cottons - - - - 10c per yard

Superior White Cottons - - - - 12c "

Best Striped Shirtings - - - - 20c "

Good Red Flannel - - - - 25c "

Fast Colored Prints - - - - 8c "

Best Heavy Ginghams - - - - 15c "

Beautiful wide Fancy Weave - - - 12c per yard

Foulard Delaines - - - - 12c "

Double Width Fancy Lustres - - - 12c "

First-rate Tickings - - - - 15c "

Heavy large Blankets - - - - \$2 per pair

Damasks, Morrisens and Lace Window Curtains at a tremendous reduction from regular prices.

CLOTHING, CLOTHING, CLOTHING

Men's and Boys' Ready-made Clothing in great and splendid variety at surprising prices. The best

Goods only manufactured by us, and such as can be safely recommended to any person.

Don't Forget Tuesday next.

A. O. BUCHAM.

Guelph 31st October 1867 dw

HAVE YOU SEEN BARNUM?

YES!

Well, the next biggest thing is the BOOT and SHOE Establishment of

PREST & HEPBURN

COME AND SEE IT.

THERE IS NOW ON EXHIBITION the Largest, Best, Cheapest, Neatest and most Durable

assortment of

BOOTS AND SHOES

ever offered to the trade in the county of Wellington. In fact, it is the stock of Ontario. This is the

only house that manufactures their own Boots and Shoes.

SUPPORT HOME MANUFACTURE!

and keep your money in the county. We do not believe in puffing, but simply ask the public to come

and see our Boots and Shoes, and we are confident the verdict will be in our favor.

We will guarantee all our goods. Remember the Stand—

The Old Penitentiary Boot and Shoe Store!

And the oldest Shoe Store in Guelph. REPAIRING DONE AS USUAL.

PREST & HEPBURN.

Guelph, 16th October, 1867. dw

DIRECT IMPORTATIONS

OF STAPLE AND FANCY

DRY GOODS!

AT THE BRADFORD HOUSE.

GEORGE JEFFREY

Has much pleasure in announcing the arrival of his

FALL AND WINTER STOCK!

WHICH WILL BE FOUND ONE OF THE MOST ATTRACTIVE IN

CANADA. HE WOULD PARTICULARLY DIRECT AT-

TENTION TO A FEW DEPARTMENTS.

SILKS, Black and Coloured.

REPS, PRINCESS' CLOTHS.

MANTLE CLOTHS.

Some things Quite New.

And every other description of Goods will be shown as they

appear in the Market.

GEORGE JEFFREY.

Guelph, September 21, 1867.

To Engineers and Mechanics.

The Engineers' and Mechanics' Pocket Book,

CONTAINING