

The Foster Brother;

The Orphan of the Wreck.

CHAPTER XXX.
THE SNOWSTORM.

The inn being placed at the very end of the village, they were out upon the open road at once, and speedily began to taste the severity of the blast. But it was not till after they had gone two or three hundred yards, and had quitted the broad level highway and entered the narrower cross road, which for miles they had to traverse, that they began to realize the full difficulties of their task. The road being of a secondary character was ill kept and uneven; the wind was now directly in their face, and sweeping towards them from the bare, bleak country in front. Dismal and dreary was the scene. The short twilight was fast fading into a darkness which threatened to be dense; the howling of the angry wind increased every moment, and the snow-flakes beat on their cheeks with cutting keenness.

Nothing daunted, however, the two youths addressed themselves with resolute hearts to the solitary road, which was utterly deserted save by themselves. It was a night on which no one would stir abroad except through dire necessity, but though this absence of all human presence caused them to feel their situation the more eerie, it had no deterring effect upon their spirits.

The consuming impatience which had agonised them all through the journey would not allow them to be delayed by the storm, dreadful though it was and terrible as it threatened to become. Their ignorance of what might have occurred to Lillian since the despatch of her wild appeal to Harry for help would allow them no rest. The journey from Glasgow had seemed to take an age to accomplish, and now that little more than five miles lay between them and the termination of their fearful suspense, the wildest snow-storm that ever raged would not have kept them back.

Neither the one nor the other had any idea of the nature of snow-drift in an open and exposed country road, or, tortured with impatience though they were, they might have hesitated before committing themselves to its power. Having been resident in a large city for many winters, their knowledge of a snowstorm was confined to its comparatively mild effect among the streets and houses, where—"cabined, cribbed, confined"—it was shorn of its great strength and wild ferocity. It had been to them a pleasure rather than otherwise to traverse the streets in the face of the slanting snow, and a source of positive delight to watch it from the window and hear it come hissing against the panes, to see it whirl and eddy round the corners, and streak with white all surfaces exposed to its descent. Ah, but what a very different thing is a snowstorm in the city from the same phenomenon in the country, where clear space is given for its revelling. It is all the difference between a wild beast caged in a menagerie and roaming through its native jungle, and this truth George and Harry were destined fully to experience this night.

The snow already lay pretty deep upon the ground, for, as we have stated, it had been steadily falling all the afternoon, and what little traffic there had been on that partially frequented road had utterly failed to preserve a track, so that now the path along which they went presented an unbroken surface, through which they had to wade with difficult motion.

On they went courageous, ardent, resolute, never allowing themselves for one moment to imagine that they would be unable to cope with the fury and bitterness of the storm. Nor might their hope and confidence have in the end been belied, had its force remained what it was when they set forth, though even then the walk of five miles along that shrouded road, with heads bent to escape as far as they could the heaving flakes, would have taxed their youthful energy and severely exhausted them. But the power of the storm did not by any means remain stationary; on the contrary, it seemed to increase every minute with the deepening of the darkness. The wind, which at first had manifested surly gusts and an occasional howl, was now rising into a roar, bearing the snow along at race-horse speed from the black sky; and as if this was not enough to satisfy the rage into which it was lashing itself, it began to catch up the snow, which had hitherto lain quiet on the ground, and send it in clouds through the air, whirling it under the lee side of hedge and embankment in a way that must soon create deep drifted wreaths.

The youths, whitened now from head to foot with a stiff coating of snow, toiled slowly forward like two sheeted ghosts. Conversation being impossible they had not for some time attempted it, but staggered along, each silently battling with the storm, till a shrieking gust bringing a drifting cloud in their faces, they had to stand still and turn their backs to escape suffocation.

Human strength could not hold out long at this rate, and, despite the motive which they had to animate them, they were fast becoming exhausted, bitterly made to feel, with dismay, how terrible was the power of Nature's elements when unchained, and how feeble man was in their hands.

The road suddenly dipped down into a hollow, where a thick fir plantation grew on either side, and here for the first time they found a little shelter, and paused for breath and rest.

THE NEW BISHOP OF ALGOMA.—We stated yesterday that the Rev. J. P. DuMoulin, formerly of Galt, and at present rector of St. Thomas Church, Hamilton, has been elected Bishop of Algoma. The Hamilton Times, speaking of the appointment says: "We are certain that no one could have been selected who would discharge the high and responsible duties of the office with greater fidelity, and few with greater, if equal ability. The Rev. Mr. DuMoulin has been here little over a twelve months. In that time he has done service which not only redounds to the honor of his Master's name, but has brought peace and comfort to many a weary and sin-laden heart. Whether this work begun is sufficiently advanced to permit of its safe transference, and whether the good to be accomplished, even by a Bishop, in the thinly peopled District of Algoma, is equal in importance to that which has been begun in one of the centres of our nation, will doubtless receive the fullest consideration by the reverend gentleman before he decides to accept the proffered honor."

CANADA SOUTHERN.—The last rail on the section of the Canada Southern Railway between St. Thomas and Amherstburg was laid on Friday morning about eight o'clock, and at 4:15 p.m. the first train through from St. Thomas arrived at Amherstburg.

New Fruits, New Fruits,
Jams and Jellies.

- Table Raisins,
- New Layer Figs,
- Jordan Almonds,
- Valencia Raisins,
- Sultana "
- Seedless "
- New Prunes,
- New Currants,
- New Lemons,
- Candied Citron Peel,
- " Lemon Peel,
- " Orange Peel,
- Calves Foot Jelly,
- Black and Red Currant Jelly,
- New Marmalade,
- New Canned Peaches,
- " Tomatoes,
- " Pine Apples.

All Goods Warranted to Please.

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IMPORTER.

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Guelph, Dec. 3, 1872 dw

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Just arrived at the New Store, CASH.
\$12,500 Worth
Of first-class

READY-MADE
CLOTHING

Made up in the best style of the best material.

The whole of the stock must be sold during the Christmas Holidays, so

NOW IS THE TIME FOR BARGAINS

- Overcoats,
- Pea Jackets,
- Sack Coats,
- Frock Coats,
- Black Coats,
- Tweed Coats,
- &c. &c. &c.

Special Lines of Tweed Suits very low; also, Pants and Vests in great variety.

A large lot of Youths and Boys Clothing cheap and strong.

We can fit any size and suit and price

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The New Store "Cash,"

Upper Wyndham Street,
W. H. G. KNOWLES, Agent,
Guelph, Dec. 4, 1872. dw

MITCHELL & TOVELL
GUELPH



(Cut of our new Hearse.)

Undertakers and Furniture Dealers.

Furniture of every description kept on hand, and at reasonable rates.

COFFINS: Metallic, Black Walnut and Cloth covered Coffins, Shrouds, &c. &c. kept on hand.

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(June 29, 1872.)

Buffalo Robes, Robes, Buffalo Robes, Robes
CO TO BYRNE'S
Fancy Robes, Robes

HATS, CAPS AND FURS
D. BYRNE

HAS just received his Fall Stock of Hats, Caps, Ladies' and Gents' Furs, Buffalo Robes, Fancy Robes, Buck and Kid Gloves, &c. &c.

THE LARGEST & CHEAPEST STOCK
Ever Shown in Guelph.

Corner of Wyndham Street and Market Square.
Ladies' and Gents' Furs Altered and Repaired.

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BANKRUPT STOCK.

BARGAINS
BARGAINS

Christmas Goods!

No Reserve! Goods must be Sold!

P. C. ALLAN

Will dispose of by Auction Sale, his immense and varied stock of Bankrupt Goods, consisting of

BOOKS

Stationery,

- Bibles,
- Prayers,
- Albums,
- Concertinas,
- Glass and Shell Boxes,
- Writing Desks,
- Work Boxes,
- Wax Dolls,
- Table Cutlery,
- Plated Cruet Stands,
- Breakfast Sets,
- Silver Spoons,
- " Forks,
- Britania meta Tea & Coffee Sets,
- Pocket Knives,
- Butter Knives,
- Pipes,
- Purses,
- Gents' Scarfs,
- Ties,
- Hammers,
- Hatchets,
- &c., &c., &c.

GLASSWARE

- Goblets,
- Tumblers,
- Tea Sets,
- Peppers,
- Preserve Dishes,
- Fruit Dishes,
- Decanters,
- Large Bowls,
- &c., &c., &c.

Also, Several Complete Dinner Sets, consisting of 90 pieces each.

This will be the Largest and Most Attractive Sale ever seen in Guelph

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In Thornton's Old Stand,

Next door to Hugh Walker's.

Guelph, Dec. 10, 1872. P. C. ALLAN, dw

Clothing for the Million!

Clothing for Men,
Clothing for Boys,
Clothing for Children,

With an immense stock of

FURNISHING GOODS,

—IN—

SCARFS, TIES,
SHIRTS, DRAWERS,
SOX, GLOVES,
MUFFLERS, &c.,

Just received in view of the Large Sale before the New Year, at the Great Clothing Store,

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JOSEPH RODGERS & SONS
CELEBRATED

CUTLERY

TABLE KNIVES,
DESSERT KNIVES,
CARVERS,
STEELS,
BREAD KNIVES,
POCKET KNIVES,
PEN KNIVES,
BRASERS,
BUTCHER'S KNIVES,
BUTCHER'S STEELS,
&c. &c. &c.

JOHN M. BOND & Co.,
DIRECT IMPORTERS,
GUELPH.

THE GUELPH "M. P. C."

Cigar Factory.

Enlargement of Business.

S. MYERS

Having recently enlarged his cigar factory, having in his employment the best workmen in the Province, and being constantly in receipt of fresh supplies of the finest Havana Tobacco, it is now prepared to receive orders for his Famous Cigars in any quantity.

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Left at the store of Messrs. Massie, Paterson & Co., will be promptly and satisfactorily filled.

Ask for the "M. P. C.," the best Cigar in the Dominion.

S. MYERS,
Proprietor
Guelph, Dec. 4, 1872.

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After passing through all the tests applied during the recent Exhibitions was awarded

26 prizes for 1872, and 13 prizes for 1871!

Including prizes at the PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION; also, FIRST PRIZE at Toronto, London, St. Catharines, Chatham and the Great Central Fair

HELD IN THE TOWN OF GUELPH
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Parties wanting Sewing Machines, apply to Mr. Hunter, Wyndham-st., or to Wm. S. Lungate, Agent, Wellington Hotel, Guelph Guelph, Nov. 4th 1872

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Bankrupt Stock of BOOTS and SHOES

Of John McNeill's Estate, and will continue the

Boot and Shoe Business in all its Branches

IN THE SAME PREMISES.

Having been with Mr. McNeill for a number of years, and having an experience of over twenty years in the business, he feels confident of giving the public entire satisfaction.

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Will be produced in a few days, and in the meantime the goods now on hand will be sold at remarkably low prices.

REPAIRING DONE AS FORMERLY

And satisfaction guaranteed. A trial solicited.

Guelph, May 17 1872

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THIS MORNING:

- 6 boxes "pure white" Clouds,
- 10 pieces black and colored Velveteens,
- 12 dozen New Hat and Bonnet Shapes,
- 10 pieces of our celebrated Black Lustres, cheap;
- 20 boxes Linens and Sewed Muslin sets,
- 75 Striped Shawls, new styles;
- 3 dozen Breakfast Shawls,
- 6 dozen Sontags and Vests.

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Fashionable West End Dress, Millinery and Mantle Establishment,
Guelph, Dec. 14, 1872 dw

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JAMES MASSIE,

Manufacturer of

CHOICE CONFECTIONERY AND BISCUITS,

Alma Block, Guelph,

Invites the attention of the Trade to the Superior Quality of Goods now produced at his

Manufactory. Having introduced many new improvements, and employing only first-class workmen, and possessing every facility, he is prepared to supply the trade with a class of goods unsurpassed by any manufacturer, in

LOZENGES, all flavors;
DROPS, assorted flavors and shapes;
GUM and LICORICE DROPS,
CONVERSATION LOZENGES,
MOULDED SWEETS, new patterns;
SODA, SWEET and FRUIT BISCUITS,
FRUIT BISCUITS,
GINGER NUTS,
CHEWING GUM,
ROCK CANDY,
LICORICE.

A Large Stock of Choice and Favorite Brand Cigars.

His Biscuits took the first prize over all others at the London Western Fair this year the only place where they were entered for competition.

All Goods carefully packed and shipped with despatch.

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IMPORTING HOUSE,

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AND
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Full lines of the following goods of this season's importation or manufacture offered to the jobbing trade by the package, or to general merchants in any part of the Dominion:

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Fancy Goods generally, the largest stock in the Dominion.

Sept. 24, 1872. dw

ROBT. WILKES

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TOWNSHIP.—For sale the Farm formerly owned by the late Thomas Kench, containing 20 Acres, with good Buildings and Orchard. The above property must be sold within two months. Terms, half cash, balance to suit purchasers. Apply by letter post-paid, to JAMES H. KEE, New Hamilton P.O., Ont.

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