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Guelph Evening Mercury

OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET.

FRIDAY EV'G, APRIL 24, 1868.

The Maiden's Choice

OR, THE LAIRD OF BIRKENCLEUCH

A Tale of the Covenanters.

Sir Gilbert was decidedly nervous, but not sufficiently so to prevent him from eating a hearty meal. From his position in the corner the Recluse lay watching him with the keen piercing eyes which the Baronet had noticed him to possess, and which seemed so singularly out of harmony with his aged and venerable appearance. As he lay dividing his glances between the eater and the deep slumberer on the mossy couch, the expression of his face was one of mingled trouble, suffering, and passion, and evidently the most acute feeling agitated his bosom, for it heaved violently, and his limbs shook and trembled.

The scene was altogether weird and impressive. Outside the snowstorm still raged furiously, and the wind roared with a howling, rushing, hissing noise among the crags which overhung the cave. Inside, the fire, composed of blazing pine logs, lighted up with fitful gleams the black, rugged, rocky walls of the shapeless chamber, whose fantastic excrescences loomed through the changeful light like horrid shapes of beings unearthly and fiendish. The imagination could easily conjure up the vision of frightful eyes glaring through the lurid redness, and the varying sounds of the wind were easily magnified into noises made by beings more than mortal.

Amid the turmoil, the gloom, and desolation, Helen continued to sleep soundly and calmly, and the Baronet envied her the deep repose. Now that his hunger was appeased, the heat from the fire made him excessively drowsy, and a strong desire to sleep came upon him. Nay, he must have unconsciously gone off into a dose for he was suddenly roused by a dark shadow before him, and found that the Hermit was heaping more logs on the fire.

'Your couch is spread in yonder corner when you wish to go to rest,' he remarked.

Sir Gilbert rubbed his eyes and looked around. On the side of the cave opposite from where Helen lay an abundant quantity of dry grass had been laid, with a bundle of the same artistically bound for a pillow.

'You will feel yourself more scant of covering than you are accustomed too,' added his host; 'but I seldom have visitors, and am ill provided for their comfort. The lady is happed with all my woollen fabrics.'

'Hoots, toots, canny man, nae apology,' returned Sir Gilbert. 'I'm only sorry for puttin' ye sair aboot. The bed is a prime ane, and—and you and me shall keep ilk ither warm.'

'I sleep in the other place,' was the quiet reply.

'What!' beside the beese? Na, na, I wunna hear o' that.'

But the Recluse was as peremptory and decided regarding this as he was regarding eating in the Baronet's company, and presently withdrew, passing between the ledges into the adjoining chamber.

'Losh me, but that's a cratur that maun hae his ain way,' muttered the Baronet, as he rose and prepared to stretch his weary limbs on the comfortable resting place which had been provided. Ere doing so, he crossed over to Helen's couch, and found her still enjoying the same profound and dreamless repose.

In two minutes he was snugly ensconced among the grass, and had sunk into the same dead sleep.

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Many hours later the chains which had kept Helen's soul in such blessed and reviving bondage unloosened themselves, and slowly she awoke.

She awoke in darkness to a confused and imperfect recollection of the circumstance in which consciousness had deserted her, and of course, in utter ignorance of where she was.

Her first dawning impression was that she had had a fearful dream, but as her faculties became more awake, her recollections grew more particular and specific, and she remembered the dreadful night-ride through the cold and the storm—how her frame became benumbed and her senses faded away—her last dim recollection being that of falling helplessly from the horse upon the snow.—From then till now she had been in utter oblivion.

Naturally she began to wonder where she was, and how circumstanced. She was warm, and felt strong and refreshed. She concluded, therefore, that Patie had ultimately carried them to some shelter, and she felt great curiosity to know what kind of a shelter it was.

She opened her eyes and looked around.—There was darkness everywhere, except in one direction, where the light of day came through some broken chinks, and a little from this she saw the red embers of a fire.—She raised herself and looked more narrowly when, in the dim light, the general features of the cavern presented themselves, and roused her excessive wonder.

Listening, she heard a sound which she gladly recognised—the sound of Sir Gilbert Barton snoring, and thus learned that he too was safe, and beside her.

Curiosity having now taken full possession of her, she rose and approached the chinks through which the streaks of daylight came, and found that they penetrated between the crevices of a rudely constructed door, which was fastened by a strong wooden bar. She lifted the bar and pulled the door open to look forth, when her eyes were met by a flood of dazzling light which nearblinded them. Before lay a scene the strangest and most wildly beautiful she had ever beheld. Hills of all heights and shapes stood around, white and lustrous with their garment of driven snow, the white purity of which was intensified by the rays of the newly-risen sun, which crowned the crests with a flashing glory too strong for the eye to look upon without aching. Immediately in front of the cove was a valley shut in on all sides by the heights, and into this valley the snow had drifted till it lay in magnificent wreaths and ridges, beautiful to look upon, but treacherous and dangerous to those who should venture to cross the vale. Above and behind rose rocky crags, whose precipitous sides were bare, and these were rendered dark even to blackness by the radiant contrast which all things else presented.

TO BE CONTINUED.

ATTEMPT TO BREAK JAIL.—An attempt was made by four prisoners to break out of Sandwich jail on Sunday last, the ringleader being a negro named Black. They had agreed that on a certain day, all being armed with billets of wood, which they had by some means possessed themselves of and kept secreted in a place of convenient access, at the moment when the door was being opened for the turnkey to go out from the dayroom, the latter should be seized, and a simultaneous rush should be made for the door, which they believed could then easily be forced open sufficiently to permit of their exit, and having accomplished this, the aforesaid billets were to be employed in killing the gaoler. Next the turnkey was to be locked in the room in which he had been captured, when all the cells in the prison were to be opened by means of the gaoler's keys. Mr. Leech, the turnkey, however, anticipated their movements, and leveling his pistol at them, they all recoiled, and were secured without any injury being done.

CHARLES KEAN.—The will of the late Charles Kean has been proved in the London Court of Probate. The personality was sworn under £35,000 sterling. He bequaths to his wife a life interest in the sum of £25,000, and after her death the principal goes to his daughter.

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April 16. daw tf

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Toronto, April 11, 1868. daw tf

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DAY'S BLOCK,

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FOR sale cheap, best quality of English and other Fine Gold Wedding Rings, also, a fine assortment of Ladies' English Dress Rings.

Guelph, 8th April, 1868. dw

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Boston, April 14, 1868. daw tf

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Canned Peaches
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BOTTLED JAMS

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A choice lot of Stilton and Pine Apple Cheese.

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Guelph, April 20, 1868. daw

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SAL. SODA.
CHLORIDE OF LIME.
PALM OIL.

W. T. BENSON,

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Montreal, 1st April, 1868 dw-6m

NOTICE.

THE subscriber having purchased from the Executors of his late partner, Mr. Hendernson his share of the business, begs to notify his friends and the public that he will continue to carry on the business in all its branches at the old stand, Wyndham Street, Guelph, and would solicit a continuance of that patronage so liberally bestowed on the late firm.

G. B. FRASER.

ALL outstanding accounts to be paid in bankable currency to G. B. FRASER up to the 12th of April, any remaining unpaid then will be put into Court for collection, as the books of the late firm must be closed within 30 days after date.

Guelph, 27th March, 1868. d

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Guelph, 27th Jan, 1868 dwtf

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Toronto, 1st April, 1868. d

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Toronto, 1st April, 1868. d

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Toronto, 1st April, 1868. d

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Toronto, 1st April, 1868. d-1y

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50 Cases Just Opened

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The Dominion can Produce. TERMS, CASH.

N. B.—Country Merchants are invited to call and examine our Stock.

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Guelph, 8th April, 1868. dw

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And the table with all the delicacies of the season. In fact no expense will be spared to make it a first-class establishment.

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Every day from 1 to 3 o'clock.

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Guelph, Jan. 29, 1868 do tf

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Wholesale and Retail. **TORONTO.**

Toronto, 26th March, 1868 dw6t

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Where he is prepared as formerly to make up CLOTHING of every description at short notice and in a superior style.

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Guelph, Jan. 2nd 1868. 741-wtf

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GUELPH, ONT.

1868. 1868.

JOHN HOGG

AT IT AGAIN.

From unforeseen circumstances, I am obliged to once more plunge into the torrents of active business life. It affords me no small degree of pleasure and satisfaction to know that I am still to continue to serve and be a means of profit to the great mass of the inhabitants of the County of Wellington and its vicinity. I shall in the time to come, as in the past, make it a study and one of the leading features in my business affairs at all times to be in a position to secure Goods in the very best markets, and to the best possible advantage. My purchases will all be made for ***Ready Money****—and money will command* ***Bargains*** *such as credit cannot. This advantage will be given to my customers. It is needless to remind my numerous friends and supporters that the immense variety of every description of Goods presented to select from is a very great advantage, together with the undeniable fact that my Goods are all imported from the manufacturers direct, ensures to my patrons a saving of a fair profit over that of any other establishment in the trade. I possess great advantages this season for offering extra inducements to my customers.*

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Thanking you for past favors,

I remain yours,

JOHN HOGG.

Guelph, 3rd April, 1868. dw

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Guelph, 3rd April, 1868. dw

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Guelph, April 7, 1868. daw

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Toronto, 26th March, 1868. dw-ly

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Guelph, 1st April, 1868. dw-tf

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Guelph, 1st April, 1868. dw

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GEORGE WILKINSON,
By Palmer and Lillie,
His Attorneys ad litem.

Guelph, April 11, 1868. do 2w