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**Guelph Evening Mercury**

MONDAY EVEG, NOVEMBER 4.

**NORAH CUSHALEEN**

OR THE  
**HAUNTED CASTLE.**

The youth listened to every syllable of their communication with intense interest, especially to that part which concerned Mary and Blantire, and the infamous attempt to force her into marriage at the ruined castle; and when Andrew drew forth the ribbon she had sent as a love token, and delivered her message of truth and constancy, he snatched it to his lips, and kissed it in rapturous transport.

"And dae ye really think we'll no mak oor escape?" inquired Andrew, as he glanced round the chamber.

"I fear it; I much fear it," replied Hargreave. "But in truth, I never entertained the idea. Your arrival and the news you bring have sent new hope to my heart. Who knows but by our united efforts a way of escape may be discovered. But we must be wary and circumspect, for if a suspicion be raised that you are other than you seem and have given yourself out to be, all is lost."

"But what for dae ye no ransom yersel?" asked Andrew.

"No ransom can be taken for me," said his master. "Captain Jack has contracted with Blantire to keep me prisoner here till Mary consents to marry him, and he has a certain headstrong honour which makes him keep his pledge, of whatever nature it may be."

"But if ye tell him wha ye are," said Andrew, in a low tone. "That might mak' him change his course."

"Nothing will influence him," remarked Hargreave. "I have studied him closely, and his obstinacy of will is as great as his views are perverted. No; our only hope lies in escape, and every effort must be made to accomplish it. We are three, and our united energies may enable us to succeed, only do not let us by word or look betray ourselves."

They were here interrupted by the noise of the grating being drawn aside, and one of the robbers entered with provisions. They all partook heartily of these; and two more couches being made on the floor of the chamber, they lay down to rest for the night.

On the following day, writing materials were brought to Andrew, that in his supposed character of the laird of Knockwinnock, he might address a mandate to his sister, directing her to forward a bank draft for one hundred pounds, and send the letter to the Waterford post office, where it should lay till called for. So, with a grave countenance, Andrew wrote the letter, sealed it, and addressed it to Miss Jenny M'Spurtille, Knockwinnock, Stirlingshire, Scotland.

"Ma faith, but it will be a lang time or the postman finds out Miss Jenny M'Spurtille," observed Andrew, when the messenger had departed to post the letter. "If I am to stay here till the answer comes back, I'll hae a lang and a weary wait, and mony's the rake that blackguard will hae doon to Waterford."

"It's a bold game you've ventured to play Andrew," observed his master. "You have risked life itself for my sake."

"Hoots, sir, I wad fain hope that neither life nor limb are in danger."

"I echo that hope," returned his master; "but I confess that things as yet do not look promising. Here we are, confined in this rocky chamber, the only entrance to and outlet from which is an iron grating securely fastened, and which we have no file or other instrument to operate upon. A black prospect, eh?"

"Sure and it's myself that's sorry they took my shillelah from me," said Terry. "Wid what pleasure in life would I knock down the dirty blackguard av a fellow that brings us our mate and then we could bolt."

"With every chance of being seized in the hall," said Hargreave. "No, Terry, I fear we must adopt a less valiant mode of retreat. If we escape at all it must be by stratagem. We must wait awhile and see what turns up; and yet waiting will be hard work for me, for when I think of Mary exposed to the wiles of that unprincipled scoundrel Blantire, my very soul burns with impatience."

Two days passed and the prospect did not brighten. On the third night, as Hargreave lay tossing in feverish anxiety on his couch, the faint sound of human voices reached his ear. His couch was close to the wall of the cavern, and the sound seemed to come from that same direction. He listened intently, and in the stillness of the night he distinctly heard the soft pleadings of a lady's voice. The words he could not make out, but the sad, pathetic tones were unmistakable and they were occasionally responded to by deeper tones, evidently those of a man.

He rose to his elbow and looked round the chamber. The oil lamp, swinging from the roof, was turned down so as to give the faintest glimmer of light. By the low, regular breathings of his companions, he knew that they both slept. He listened again, but all was more silent, and he began to think that he had been asleep and dreaming. Concluding thus, he was about to lay his head again on the pillow, when the same sounds were repeated. They seemed to come from one point, and that was near the floor at that side of the couch which was nearest the wall.

Filled by curiosity, as well as by the hope of making some discovery, Hargreave bent over and examined the spot with his hands. There was a small mound of clay and rubbish, covered by the mould of years, but it was comparatively soft and yielding.

TO BE CONTINUED.

**HEAVY COMMERCIAL FAILURE.**—The London *Free Press* reports the failure of the firm of Yarrow & Co., at St. Thomas. Their liabilities are stated at \$117,000, and their assets at about \$30,000. The failure of this firm, which has done a very extensive produce business, has not arisen from the recent commercial restriction, but had its origin from heavy losses on wool shipped to New York in the early part of last year. It is understood that on that transaction a sum of not less than \$40,000 was sunk. The failure will be sincerely regretted, as the

**Note Lost.**

LOST on Saturday night last, the 20th October, near Rockwood Station, a note of hand made by Stephen Matthews, in favour of the subscriber, for \$24. This is to caution any one from negotiating or buying the same, as payment of it has been stopped.

THOMAS BENSON,  
Guelph, Nov. 1, 1867. d3t

**FRESH BISCUITS.**  
ARROWROOT, Albert, Coffee, Pic-nic, Queen's, Wine, Boston, Soda, Abernathy and Imperial BISCUITS, at  
JOHN A. WOOD'S.

**TOBACCOES.**  
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

**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.  
GEORGE BALKWILL.  
October 24, 1867. 2m

**NEW**

**Pork & Sausage Shop**

**THOS. MILLAR**  
BEGS to inform the people of Guelph that he has opened a new Pork and Sausage Shop in **DAY'S OLD BLOCK**, Gordon Street, next door to Cull's Hotel. The Sausages are all of first-rate quality, and of his own make, from pork carcasses bought on the market. Always on hand superior corned beef, salt rounds and pickled tongues. Variety of all kinds on hand. The above are all of first-class quality. I purchase no meat from any **Flying House**, but buy the best carcasses in the market  
Guelph, 20th October, 1867. dw-1m

**Insolvent Act of 1864.**

In the matter of Thos. McKee Grier,  
AN INSOLVENT.

THE creditors of the Insolvent are notified that he has made an assignment of his estate and effects under the above act to me, the undersigned assignee, and they are required to furnish me, within two months from this date with their claims, specifying the security they hold, if any, and value of it, and if none stating the fact. The whole attested under oath, with the vouchers in support of such claims.  
THOMAS SAUNDERS,  
Official Assignee.  
Guelph, 2nd November, 1867. dw1

**THOS. GRIFFITH & CO.,**

Wholesale Grocers,  
39 Front-st., TORONTO,

ARE now receiving Ex. S. Nova Scotian, Moravian, and other vessels,

**Boxes New Valencia Raisins**  
" New Layer do  
" Very Prime West End Layer Raisins  
**Bbs 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, Ping Suey, Young Hysons, Gunpowders, Congous, Souchongs, Color'd and Uncolor'd Japans, Imperials, Twankay, Orange, Pekoe, &c., &c.**

**Bags superior Arracan Rice**  
**Cases English Thumb Blue**  
**Bbs Brazil Nuts**  
**Bags S. S. Almonds**  
" Walnuts  
" Filberts,  
**Cases Pearl Tapioca,**  
" Thin's Pickles  
" Booth's, Betts' and Barclay's Old Tom  
" John Bull Bitters

**Crates Wine, Beer and Whiskey Bottles**  
**Cases Orange, Lemon & Citron Peel**  
**Boxes Valencia and Jordan Almonds**  
**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 1/2 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-2m

**COW LOST.**  
STRAYED from the premises of the subscriber, near Goldie's 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 inwards. Any person giving such information to the owner as will lead to the recovery of the animal will be rewarded.

DANIEL CARTER,  
Guelph, 20th October, 1867. dw5m

**ESTRAY STEER.**  
CAME on the premises of the subscriber, Lot 5, Con. 2, Guelph Township, about six weeks ago, a one year old Steer, red with some white spots. The owner can have him by proving property and paying expenses.

JOHN WEBB,  
Guelph, 20th October, 1867. dw5m

**HAY IN TRUSSES**  
Constantly on hand. Also fine Straw for beds.  
**TERMS, CASH.**  
JOHN WEBB,  
Guelph, 20th October, 1867. dw5m

**CAUTION.**  
HEREBY give notice that a promissory note, dated 7th October, 1867, for \$50, payable to Daniel Hefferman or bearer, made by me, has been obtained from me without value, and that I will not be bound by it.

DANIEL HEFFERMAN,  
Guelph, 20th October, 1867. dw5m

**WATER-PROOF CLOAKINGS, New Mixtures, Velvetines and Whinnies, Hosiery and Gloves.**  
large choice of **COLLARS and CUFFS** in Linen and paper. A large variety of **Jet Bugle Trimming, Mantle Ornaments, &c.**

Purchasers may rely on getting the Cheapest and Best Goods. All Departments will complete.  
Guelph, 3rd October, 1867. dw

**WILLIAM STEWART.**

**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. d

**The**  
**EXHIBITION**

**Prize**  
**SHIRTS**  
and  
**DRAWERS**

**For Sale**  
**At the Guelph**  
**Cloth Hall.**

**A. THOMSON & CO.**

Guelph, October 5, 1867. dw1f

**MONTREAL BOOT AND SHOE EMPORIUM.**

**JOHN McNEIL**

INVITES his customers and those in want of **BOOTS and SHOES** to call at his establishment and be convinced that, without doubt, he has

**The Largest and Best Stock**

to select from in or out of the County of Wellington, no matter what the pretensions of others may be to the contrary.

**MY GOODS ARE ALL NEW!**

and made to my special order, I can therefore recommend what I sell as being second to none.

**Home Manufactured Goods always on hand.**

**ALL WORK WARRANTED.**

No Barnum Humbug on this side of Wyndham Street.

**JOHN McNEIL,**

Montreal Boot and Shoe Emporium, Wyndham-st., Guelph, Ontario.  
Guelph, 41st November, 1867. d89 w733 1f

**FALL IMPORTATIONS!**

**W. M. STEWART**

HAS NOW OPENED A LARGE AND SPLENDID STOCK OF

**Fall and Winter Dry Goods!**

In Fancy Dress Goods, in all the new styles and textures. **Winceys, Plain and Fancy Flannels, Blankets, Cottons, Prints, &c.**

**FANCY MANTLE CLOTHS,**

Water-proof Cloakings, New Mixtures, Velvetines and Whinnies, **Hosiery and Gloves.** large choice of **COLLARS and CUFFS** in Linen and paper. A large variety of **Jet Bugle Trimming, Mantle Ornaments, &c.**

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**GREAT BANKRUPT SALE**



**HOGG & CHANCE,**  
**GOLDEN LION, GUELPH,**

Have Bought a **WHOLESALE BANKRUPT STOCK** of **DRY GOODS,** value over

**\$40,000!**

AND ARE NOW OFFERING THE SAME AT ABOUT ONE HALF ITS VALUE.

**TREMENDOUS BARGAINS!**

**CALL AT ONCE.** Goods are being offered at Great Reduction on manufacturers' cost. We have bought this large Bankrupt Stock, and are determined to offer the whole at such prices as will ensure a complete clearance in a short time.

Goods Wholesaled 20 per cent. under Hamilton or Toronto prices.

**HOGG & CHANCE.**

20,000 Cotton Bags, 900 No. 1 Buffalo Skins, 170 do., Lined, Cotton Yarn at Manufacturer's Prices. 20,000 Overcoats, Sacque and Shooting Coats, Vests and Pants--No. 1 GOODS.

Guelph, 2nd November, 1867. dw

**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 under-sold 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 Gingham - - - - - 15c

Beautiful wide Fancy Winceys - - - 12c per yard  
Fonlard 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.**

Guelph 31st 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 ATTENTION 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**