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Guelph Evening Mercury
WEDNESDAY EV'G, SEPTEMBER 25.

NORAH CUSHALEEN HAUNTED CASTLE.

'No, we haven't,' answered the factor. 'We were only too glad to get off ourselves.'

'Well, we must return for her,' said Malvin. 'But what are we to do with the horse, he's dead lame. Oh! I know—there's a bit of green sward a little way down. I'll lead him down there and he can eat till we go up for Mary.' 'Now's our time,' whispered Andrew, the moment they were gone; and he and Terry instantly rose, and taking up their horses, glided easily and quickly out from behind the rock and set off at a rapid pace up the path towards the ruin. From the conversation they had just listened to, they understood almost everything that had taken place, and their object now was to arrive at the ruin before Malvin and his companions, in order to get Mary out of their reach. Terry thought that by using expedition they would manage it; for he knew the spot to which they were taking the horse and it was a considerable distance from where they had been standing.

Sweating, breathless, and anxious, they at last reached the ruin, and found the black oaken door open. Ascending the stair they entered the chamber in the tower, and found Norah standing as pale as death over the inanimate form of Mary Kendal, which lay upon the floor.

Norah uttered a low cry of joy when she recognised Terry and Andrew. 'Oh, thank God, it's you!' she exclaimed, fervently clasping her hands together. 'This has been a dreadful night.'

'So it has, darlin'; but we know everything the vagabonds have been after. We heard them spakin' of it on the road. You've about frightened the black cowardly hearts out of their bodies, thinkin' you a ghost. But they are comin' again for the poor colleen; and we must be quick and have her out of the way.'

'She is insensible,' said Norah, as she bent in sadness over the prostrate form of the girl. 'She fell down in a swoon the moment her persecutors fled, and I have used every means to restore her, but in vain.'

'The air will bring her 'tee,' said Andrew. 'There's no a moment to lose.' 'The provisions,' said Terry, 'where will we put them?'

'Here,' said Norah, opening the narrow door which communicated with the chamber above. 'Bedad but that's a cunning place,' remarked Terry.

'That is how I managed to play the ghost,' returned Norah with a sad smile. 'But tell me,' she quickly added, 'have you had intelligence of Mr. Hargrave?'

'Faix and we have,' answered her brother. 'Hasn't Malvin got him taken to the mountains, to Captain Jack's cave, and Andrew and I are going to deliver him if we can. The food will do you till we come back.'

'Never mind me,' said Norah; 'I'll manage well enough. Malvin and the others will be too frightened to come after to-night.'

'For any sake come awa, or they'll be back,' whispered Andrew at the stair-foot.

Terry needed no second reminder, but at once descended, and found Andrew with Mary in his arms.

Very tenderly and carefully, even as a mother would carry her sleeping child, did Andrew bear in his arms the inanimate form of Mary Kendal. Strong of mind as this brave Irish girl was, the events of the night, terminated by what she every appearance of being an unearthly apparition, had so wrought upon her nerves, that when Malvin and the others fled, and her harassed soul found a merciful refuge in insensibility. The oblivion which had fallen upon her must have been deep and profound, for notwithstanding all the means Norah had tried, her face remained white and death-like, and the swoon continued unbroken.

Andrew carried her out into the open space before the ruin. Here they stood and listening, heard the footsteps of Malvin and the others coming up the path. Not a moment was to be lost, and Andrew, who had already made up his mind as to the course to be taken, struck into the other path—that which led down to the sea-beach.

Here a slight but fresh reviving breeze found its way up the pass, and gently fanned the face of Mary as it lay calm and still in its sweetness and innocence on Andrew's shoulder. And as it gently played among her ringlets, and glided through between her parted lips, it gradually brought her back to consciousness, and several long-drawn sighs gave token of returning animation.

When her bearer perceived this, he laid her down on a grassy bank, and Terry pouring out a little wine into the glass, held it to her lips. Mechanically, as it seemed, she swallowed some, and almost immediately revived. When she opened her eyes, they fell on Terry's face bending over her in the dim light.

'Don't be after gettin' frightened, Miss Mary,' whispered Terry, in the most soothing and assuring tones he could assume. 'Sure ye're out of the hands of the blackguards now, we're taking you down to the say-hore.'

Mary was bewildered, and, passing aside in the one hand the ringlets which hung over her brow, she grasped Terry's arm, and looked eagerly into his countenance.

'Who are you?' she asked, in a quick nervous way. 'You are not one of the three who would have done me the foul wrong; but I do not know you.'

'Och, yes, you do, Miss Mary,' returned Terry. 'It's the darkness, and the disguise, and the fright together, don't you see me well; but I'm Terry Cushaleen.'

'Yes, yes—I know now,' cried Mary, in a joyous tone. 'I recognise the voice; and—and this other friend,' she faltered, starting violently, and looking keenly at Andrew.

Business Education

A practical business education has now become a necessity to every young man contemplating a business career. Without this education young men are destitute of the first requisite to success.

The business education the British American Commercial College of Toronto imparts, is in a course of instruction, and the graduates are at the present time filling positions of honor and responsibility in some of the highest Mercantile, Banking and Insurance Institutions of our country. Stronger testimony to the thoroughness of this education could not be given than the following letter from J. G. Woods, Esq., President of the Board of Trade:

Toronto, Dec. 18, 1887.
Messrs. Musgrove & Wright.—Dear Sirs:—I cannot express too strongly my appreciation of your efforts to establish a model house of business. I consider that such a system of yours is of the greatest importance both to the employer and the employed, as it saves the former the time and labor of teaching every new hand, and the latter the waste of time involved in a long apprenticeship. Your admirable system of real business is a complete remedy for this defect, and your great success in this department is made clearly manifest by the air of reality that your students display in their model transactions, and by their downheartedness when they fail to meet their engagements. I can testify to the excellence of your system from personal experience, having at the present time in the employment of the firm I belong to three young men who were educated at your establishment. Wishing you every success in your laudable enterprise,
I remain, dear Sirs, yours, &c.,
J. G. WOODS.

The first prize for Business Penmanship was awarded this Commercial College at the late Provincial Exhibition in Toronto. Graduates are examined and their names signed by a Board of Examiners composed of practical business men. Graduates are also assisted to situations, if required. A circular is regularly published, giving a detailed account of system, regulations, terms, &c., and may be had by enclosing stamp and address.

MUSGROVE & WRIGHT,
Toronto, Ontario.
August 28, 1887.

GROCERIES CROCKERY, AND HARDWARE.

ENLARGEMENT OF PREMISES.

A. WARNER, ROCKWOOD.

BEGS to return thanks to his friends and customers for their liberal patronage in the past, and would beg to inform them that he has greatly enlarged, and thoroughly refitted his store, and being now supplied with a large

Stock of GROCERIES

Consisting of Tea at from 60c. up to \$1. Sugars of various prices and qualities, and numerous other articles.

HARDWARE, CROCKERY

BOOTS AND SHOES, and all the essentials of a first-class General Store, with the exception of Dry Goods. He is satisfied that he can compete favourably with any other establishment on the side of Toronto. A call will satisfy the most skeptical.

ANDREW WARNER,
Rockwood, 22nd Aug., 1887.

FARM FOR SALE.

THE subscriber offers for sale a first-class farm, being Lot No. 5, East half 3rd Con. Township of Erin, containing 100 acres, from 75 to 80 of which are cleared, and, with the exception of about 10 acres, free of stone. The farm is well fenced, and in a high state of cultivation. There is a never-failing creek and a good well and pump on the premises. A new, never-failing spring runs across the Concession about ten rods from the corner of the lot. There are two good barns—a log 30x50 and a frame 30x60—and a good log house 20x30 feet, with a back kitchen and a frame stoop, four bed rooms, &c. Also, a good young orchard of choice fruit trees, many of them bearing. This farm is about five miles from Union Station, and about a mile and a half from the Erin gravel road. The farm will be sold on liberal terms, and a good title given. For further particulars apply personally, or by letter (post-paid) to the subscriber, on the premises.

JAMES BROTCHE,
Erin, 25th July, 1887.

LOT FOR SALE

IN FLAMBORO.

FOR SALE, the north-west half of Lot No. 11, in the 5th Concession of East Flamboro, lying near the Village of Carlisle. It contains 100 acres, 30 of which are cleared and under cultivation, the remainder is covered with first-class pine and hardwood, about a third part being pine. It lies close to 2 saw mills, and it is in every respect a most eligible and valuable lot. There is a Log House on the lot, 18x12 miles from Guelph from Hamilton and about 14 miles from Guelph.

TERMS—Low, and will be made known, as well as all particulars, on applying to the subscriber. (If by mail post-paid) to
NEIL McPHADREN,
Nassagaweya, 18th Sept. 729-961
Hamilton Weekly Times copy six times.

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FLOUR AND FEED STORE

Opposite the Market Shed.

CONSTANTLY ON HAND, all kinds of Mill

Feed, Chopped Peas, Middlings, Shorts, Bran,

Cornmeal, Oatmeal, Flour!

Bacon, Sugar-cured Hams, and Potatoes.

Guelph, 28th August, 1887. dw-4f

FARM FOR SALE.

FOR SALE, in the Township of Culross, County of Bruce, 100 acres of splendid land, being 35 acres cleared, with log house and stables, being lot No. 24, 4th Concession of the Township of Culross, 2 1/2 miles from Teeswater, and near the gravel road. There is a fine spring creek running through the lot, and the timber is unsurpassed. It is in one of the finest wheat growing sections of Canada. The soil is limestone and clay loam. This eligible farm is now offered for the low price of \$1,700, for which a clear deed from the Crown will be given. Address (post-paid),
SAMUEL SOTLEY,
Guelph, 29th July, 1887. (4m) Guelph P.O.

NOW ON HAND

E. & S. S. SNIDER'S

UNSURPASSED

FARINA.

Sold in any quantity to suit purchasers.

GEORGE WILKINSON.

Next door to Telegraph and Express Office.

Guelph, 10th Sept., 1887. (d)

COW STRAYED.

STRAYED on the 7th instant, a three year old Cow, of the breed and color, with heavy horns standing well up. A reward will be given for her recovery.

ANDREW SIMS,
Lot 29, Con. 5, Eramosa, Ont. P. O.

New Advertisements.

CO-OPERATIVE STORE!

GUELPH, ONTARIO.

THE SUBSCRIBERS HAVE PURCHASED FROM JOHN WYTHE, ESQ., ASSIGNEE, MONTREAL JOHN DAVIDSON'S STOCK, CONSISTING OF

DRY GOODS, GROCERIES BOOTS AND SHOES.

The Stock amounts to \$4,670. The price paid was \$2,881.70, being Fifty-one Cents on the Dollar, and the Goods will be sold at the undermentioned figures, being on an average 40 per cent. under wholesale and 108 per cent. below retail prices. For example, goods which originally cost \$1.00, and which have been retailed for \$1.25, cost the subscribers only 61 cents, and are now offered at 80 cents.

A FEW WORDS ABOUT BANKRUPT STOCKS.

A merchant only a short time in business fails and assigns, and then his Goods are called an old Bankrupt Stock. Does the circumstance of his failure convert new goods into old? May not Bankrupt Stocks be as good and as new as others? Purchasers, however, should be the judges. Sellers should not give evidence in their own cause.

LIST OF GOODS AND PRICES:

Former Retail Prices.	Wholesale Prices.	Former Retail Prices.	Wholesale Prices.
Wineys, Challes, Checks \$0.40	\$0.32	Beaver Cloth.....	\$2.50
Cobourg Lustres, Orleans \$0.25	0.20	Wool Shawls.....	3.25
French Merino.....	0.80	Mixed Carpets.....	2.50
Black and Striped Silks.....	1.50	Coats.....	3.75
Bleached Cottons.....	0.12	Pants.....	2.25
Prints.....	0.12	Vests.....	1.75
Cambrie Linings.....	0.10	Ladies' Mantles.....	2.50
Flannels.....	0.40	Hats.....	0.62
Striped Shirtings.....	0.16	Cups.....	0.50
Canadian Tweeds.....	1.00	Ribbons.....	0.20
Cassimeres.....	2.25	Hose.....	0.25
Cloth.....	3.50	Cloth Gloves.....	0.50

Handkerchiefs, Ties, Falls, Collars, Sets, Laces, Trimmings, Belts, Flowers, Braids, Buttons, &c., &c., Equally Low.

The second semi-annual dividend of three per cent. will be paid to customers on presenting their Pass Books, on and after the 1st October.

Fresh Importations Just Arriving.

WILLIAM MACKLIN & CO.

Guelph, 21st September, 1887.

CHOICE WINES

Cosen's Pale Sherries,
Cosen's Brown Sherries,
Domecq's Pale and Brown Sherries.

OFFLEY'S OLD PORTS, GRAHAM'S OLD PORT.

These Wines were imported direct, and intended specially for our retail trade, and will be found superior to any others offered here.

VERY CHOICE CLARET.

CLARET, a few cases of very choice.

do 200 cases in nice order, from \$3.50 to \$4

ALE AND PORTER!

100 cases Guinness' Porter, Bottled by E. & J. Burke, Dublin.

100 cases Guinness' Porter, Bottled by Blood, Wolfe & Co., Liverpool.

One Hundred Barrels BASS' PALE ALE.

FRESH TEAS. FRESH TEAS.

IMPORTING as we do all our Teas direct, and from the great quantity which passes through our hands, ours are pre-eminently the Choicest in Flavor and Strength, and the Cheapest in Ontario.

J. MASSIE & CO.

Guelph 10th August, 1887.

MOLASSES!

Standard Syrup,
Golden Syrup,
Amber or Honey do.

For sale at Lowest Prices

AT JOHN A. WOOD'S.

Guelph, 3rd September, 1887. dtf

QUEEN'S BOOK!

A FRESH SUPPLY of the above expected at

AT SHEWAN'S

BOOKSTORE

IN A FEW DAYS, which will be SOLD CHEAP.

N. B.—The spies of Day expected at the same time.

Guelph, 10th Sept., 1887. d

DOMINION BITTERS

R. HOPKINS & CO.,

RESPECTFULLY inform the inhabitants of Guelph and surrounding country, that they are prepared to fill all orders for any quantity of

The Dominion Bitters

Put up in barrels, half-barrels, kegs and bottles

N. B.—Purchasers will not confound the "Dominion Bitters" with the "New" or "Old" Dominion Bitters.

Manufactured at a few doors West of the Wellington Hotel, Wyndham Street.

Guelph, July 20, 1887. daw-4f

TO PRINTERS.

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New Advertisements.

NEW GOODS



DIRECT from ENGLAND AND SCOTLAND

Just Received, a few Cases of New

MANTLE CLOTHS!

NEW SHAWLS,
NEW DRESS GOODS,
NEW SKIRTINGS,
NEW WINCEYS,
NEW MANTLE BUTTONS.

ALL ARE OFFERED AT

GREATLY REDUCED PRICES!

Special attention is directed to our new Autumn and Winter CLOAKINGS, &c.

HOGG & CHANCE.

Guelph, 13th September, 1887. do-4f

REMOVAL. REMOVAL.

THE SUBSCRIBER HAS REMOVED HIS

BOOT AND SHOE STORE

TO DAY'S BLOCK!

(Opposite Horsman's Hardware Store.)

Where he will be most happy to see his old customers, and all others who may wish to try his celebrated Boots and Shoes. All orders promptly attended to.

THOMAS BROWN,

Guelph, 5th September, 1887. dw Day's Block, Wyndham-st., Guelph.

IMPORTANT BUSINESS CHANGE!

MONTREAL

BOOT AND SHOE STORE

JOHN McNEILL,

Who has been in the employment of Wm. McLaren for years,

WOULD respectfully announce to the inhabitants of Guelph and vicinity that he has purchased the whole stock in trade of WM. McLAREN, consisting of BOOTS AND SHOES, at

A GREAT

Reduction on Original Cost!

and is determined to give A BENEFIT to the old customers of this Institution, and all who may favor him with their patronage. JOHN McNEILL is determined to maintain the old laurels won by his predecessor, and also to add many new ones, by keeping only the best of Goods, and always selling at the LOWEST PRICES.

During the Next Thirty Days,

he will sell off all Light Goods at less than than original Cost Prices. Low prices must be coupled with Ready Money. No man can sell at small profits unless he does a large business, and adhere strictly to the cash principle.

J. M. solicits an early call from those in want of good and cheap Boots and Shoes. A supply of

HOME MANUFACTURED GOODS!

always on hand. All kinds of Goods made to order. REPAIRING done with Neatness and Despatch.

ALL WORK WARRANTED!

Country Merchants are invited to call, examine our Stock, and hear our Prices.

JOHN McNEILL,

Montreal Boot and Shoe Store, Wyndham-st., Guelph, Ontario.

Guelph, 3rd September, 1887. (dw)

CARD.

HAVING disposed of my BUSINESS to Mr. JOHN McNEILL, who has been in my employment, I have much pleasure in recommending him as well qualified to maintain the reputation which I flatter myself has been accorded to the Boot and Shoe Store since it was opened. The best proof I could have of the Store is the more than liberal support extended to myself during the long years of my residence in Guelph. Mr. McNEILL has been under my control, and has an extensive connection in this County, which, coupled with his own business, and courteous manner, augurs well for his success, and I can only say, that I am confident on him a share of your esteemed patronage.

WM. McLAREN.