

"I am Going Home."

Such it is said were the memorable words often uttered by Dr. David Livingstone, the great explorer, when on his death-bed, and drawing near the last scenes of his chequered and eventful life. No one can read the short and simple story of his last illness and death, as given in our despatch of Monday, without being deeply affected. The courageous traveller had manfully struggled with disease for months, but was at length obliged to yield to its stronger power. Forced at last to give up his journey, and with a sad presentiment that this complaint would prove fatal, and that his career was almost at an end, he lay down in the hut which his faithful attendants had built for him to die in. Here in a sense alone—for no white man was near—no kindred spirit present to soothe his sufferings or attend to his wants—we can have some faint idea of the thoughts which in the intervals of pain would pass through the mind of the dying man. His life fast ebbing out, and yet the world as we may say waiting anxiously and hopefully for his re-appearance and return to civilization, to tell all that he had seen and discovered. His work not yet finished—the dream of his life not yet realized—but at the very time when it seemed near accomplishment, the Great Master whom he had served for so many years summons the weary wanderer home to that eternal rest which knows no break or disturbance. What thoughts of home, of friends, of past scenes and events must have crossed the mind of this brave Christian—of home and friends far distant, whom he would never again see in life—of scenes and events fast fading in the light of eternity. And yet the sublime faith which was the guiding star of his life—which enabled him to face and overcome dangers of extraordinary magnitude, which cheered him amid the solitudes of Africa, and gilded with hope all his self-denying efforts for the spiritual and temporal welfare of her people—this faith never forsook him, for when all else was fading from sense and sight, and even when walking through the valley and shadow of death, he could with the Christian's hope and the Christian's anticipation say—"I am going home."

Yes, verily, he who knew no home for so many years has at last found a better one than earth can supply. The brave and indomitable spirit which could not rest, but which sought to bring civilization and Christianity to the benighted tribes of Africa, has at last realized "the peace which passeth all understanding;" and all that remains of David Livingstone are now being carried to Britain to be deposited amid the tears and regrets of the nation in the great national pantheon, among the illustrious of all ages and in all walks of life. And who also better deserves the honor of being laid among the great and good of the mother land, or of having his name enshrined among the heroes of the Empire? His life from his earliest years was a heroic battle. Whether a factory boy at Blantyre, coning over his books while attending to his spindles; or as a student struggling with poverty and sacrificing all comfort in his intense desire to gain knowledge; or as a medical missionary in South Africa, patiently toiling for the spiritual and temporal good of the degraded natives; or as the fearless and indomitable traveller and explorer who for the sake of science and religion buried himself for years in the heart of Africa, and denied himself all the comforts and refinements of civilized life—in every stage of his career true heroism manifests itself. His patient endurance, his noble ambition, his Christian virtues, his fortitude, his intense love for science and desire to open up new fountains of knowledge, and above all his constant and ceaseless desire and efforts for the amelioration and elevation of the tribes among which he travelled, stamp him as a man whose like humanity rarely produces—a hero in the truest sense of the word—whose memory the world will not soon let die, and whose work will descend as a blessed heritage to generations yet unborn.

It is scarce two years since the great traveller was searched for and found by an adventurous American. The news was heard by every one as if he had heard of the safety of a long lost friend. And the fond anticipation was cherished by all in both hemispheres, that ere long he would return to his native land, full freighted with the spoils of his weary wanderings, to enrich our stores of knowledge, to unfold the geography of the vast interior of Africa, and to receive from a proud and grateful people all the honors which they could bestow on the illustrious explorer. But it was not to be. The Providence which watched over his eventful life, which guided him safely through so many dangers, decreed that he should die alone amid the scenes of his labors—that in a rude temporary hut, he, who was the superior of kings, should die unattended save by a few faithful Africans. It is not for us to question but to submit. The honors which would have been accorded him while living will be held in grateful remembrance, and we will often with mournful pride think and speak of David Livingstone, the last and greatest African traveller and devoted missionary, whose name will be enshrined among the illustrious African travellers who have gone before him, and whose deeds have shed renown on the name of Briton wherever it is known.

The temperance people in and out of Ottawa are rejoicing over the victory gained in the abolition of the restaurant connected with the House of Commons. It is worthy of note that most of the members who advocated its removal declared that they were not teetotallers.

The Hon. A. J. Smith, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, has left Ottawa for Washington to take part in the negotiations connected with the Fisheries and Reciprocal Trade between Canada and the United States.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL Clarke of Manitoba is lying seriously ill at the Russell House, Ottawa.

RE-DIVISION OF COUNTIES.—Among the bills which are to be introduced before the close of the session, one of great importance to Ontario will be brought forward for a re-division of those counties which were "german-dered" by the late Government in the interest of the Tory party. In the Bill it is expected that Wellington and Huron will be rectified, and Monck will not be forgotten, as it is thought better to have one bill embracing the whole work to be done, instead of legislating separately for each case where wrong has been inflicted. That wrong was inflicted on all these Counties very few Conservatives will now deny, and the sooner a fair and just re-division is made the better.

A young man named Pique has received at the hands of the Mayor of Dover, the Royal Humane Society's certificate, for having leaped from the height of forty feet into the sea, and saved the life of an artilleryman who had been blown off the Admiralty Pier, by the discharge of a gun.

There is a lady of Sagadahoc county, Maine, who has a head of remarkably fine hair. The average length is seven feet five inches. When unbraided and falling loose, it trails for quite a distance on the floor. She has refused a large offer for the hair, on which she naturally prides herself next to her head.

RESIGNATION OF MR. BRYDERS.—It is stated that Mr. Bryders last week forwarded to England his resignation as Managing Director of the Grand Trunk Railway. He resigned about two years ago, but was at that time prevailed on to retain his office. He will continue to perform the duties of his position until his successor is appointed. It is generally understood that he has a much more lucrative position in view.

MANITOBA MOUNTED POLICE.—This force appears to have been looked upon very favourably by young men in all parts of the country, additions from various sections having been made daily since the announcement of its formation first appeared. 15 young men arrived from Kingston on Tuesday, and proceeded to the Old Fort to report to Col. French, who has charge of the force. The inducements held out are very good, and perhaps no better opening can be found at present for young men wishing for permanent employment with good prospects of advancement.

ALEX. F. PRIDE, Issuer of Marriage Licenses, Herald Office, Guelph, Guelph, Dec. 18, 1872. jw

BIRTHS. BUCHAN—In Guelph, on the 2nd inst., the wife of Mr. A. O. Buchan, merchant, of a daughter.

DIED. WINAN—At Exeter, on the 24th ult., Dr. Winan, in the 62nd year of his age.

Floor Oil Cloth, Floor Oil Cloth, Very Rich and Chaste Designs, Splendid assortment, Patterns Quite New.

FRESH LOT OF Door Mats, Door Mats, NOW OPENING OUT AT JOHN HORSMAN'S, HARDWARE MERCHANT, GUELPH.

TOWN OF GUELPH TO BUILDERS. Tenders will be received at the Town Clerk's Office, up to twelve o'clock noon, on MONDAY, APRIL 6th, next, for the

Erection of a New Town Hall and Market House, As well as an Extension of the present building. Plans and Specifications can be seen at the Council Chamber. For further particulars apply to E. HARVEY, Chairman Market House Committee. The Council do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender. Guelph, March 24th, 1874. dd

GREAT SALE OF JEWELLERY. ROBERT CRAWFORD. Being about to relinquish the retail business, will dispose of his whole stock, consisting of Russell Watches, Waltham Watches, English Watches, Swiss Watches, Gold Chains, Silver Chains, Clocks, Jewelry, etc. At a Great Reduction in Price.

IN thanking his friends and the public for their kind patronage in the past, would beg to inform them that he will give them A FINAL BENEFIT as the whole of his valuable stock must be turned into money. Call and see for yourselves, as bargains will be given such as were never before seen in Guelph. Store next the post office. Guelph, March 31, 1874. dw

ONTARIO TEMPERANCE AND PROHIBITORY LEAGUE. Mr. Joseph Ryan is the accredited Lecturer, and General Agent, of the above League for Wellington, Waterloo, Grey, Bruce, Huron, and Perth. The friends of Prohibition can secure his services. Post office address, Guelph. REV. W. SCOTT, President

DURHAM BULL FOR SALE.—The subscriber has one more Durham Bull for sale, 19 months old, colour red with a little white, come of good stock, and good pedigree. No stars. Apply to R. CURRIE, 6 Con., Lot 12, Eramosa. March 25, 1874. wtz

IMPORTANT SALE OF PIANOS

The Committee appointed to dispose of the Pianos at the Manufacture of JOSEPH F. RAINER, WEST MARKET SQUARE, GUELPH, Will offer them at a considerable reduction on cost on reasonable

TERMS OF CREDIT. The stock consists of about 40 First-class Instruments!

Similar to those shown at the last Central Exhibition, and for which he was awarded the first prize. They are equal in compass of tone, finish, and durability to the best instruments of any of the celebrated manufacturers, and as such an opportunity seldom occurs, parties in want of pianos would do well to avail themselves of it. An inspection invited. A competent person will be on the premises, near Mr. John Harris's, who will show the instruments. Guelph, March 18, 1874. dwt

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For Dining Rooms, Parlors, Drawing Rooms, Libraries, Halls and Bed Rooms. It will pay you to examine the splendid stock before buying

AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE. POWELL'S Boot and Shoe Store. NEW SPRING GOODS. Men's English and American style of Gaiters and Shoes; Ladies and Children's GOAT, KID AND PRUNELLA

Which for style, finish and durability, will be found superior to any in Guelph. Particular attention paid to Custom Work and Repairing. Remember the Noted Shoe Store, G. S. POWELL, West side Wyndham Street, Guelph. Guelph, Mar. 30th, 1874. dw

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Tomatoes, Green Peas, Sugar Corn, JOHN A. WOOD'S

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Guelph, March 28, 1874 d

New Advertisements. A LARGE STOCK OF NEW China, Crockery, and Glassware,

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J. E. McELDERRY, 2 DAY'S BLOCK, THE NOTED TEA HOUSE

BOOTS AND SHOES. R. MacGREGOR & Co. (Successors to W. D. Hepburn & Co.)

We are now showing a large variety of New Spring Goods, which includes some of THE FINEST GOODS MANUFACTURED IN CANADA MADE FROM AMERICAN PATTERNS.

CALL AND SEE THEM. R. McGregor & Co. GUELPH, Mar. 31, 1874.

DRESS MAKING, MANTLE MAKING MISS MORRISON. In the Latest English and American Styles.

OUR DRESS DEPARTMENT. Contains everything New and Fashionable for the season, in Plain and Fancy Dress Goods, Silks, &c. &c., and Ladies will find no difficulty in getting suited. Full stock of Dress Trimmings, Dress Buttons, etc., to match materials always on hand. We will exhibit in a few days in our Mantle Department everything new for the season.

COSTUMES, COSTUMES. An immense stock of Ladies' and Misses' Costumes to select from. Fashionable West End Dress Mantle, and Millinery Establishment.

A. O. BUCHAM, GREAT AUCTION SALE. On Saturday Night, the 4th inst.

W. S. G. KNOWLES, Auctioneer. 1874 SPRING IMPORTATIONS. 1874

JAMES CORMACK, Tailor and Clothier, No. 1, WYNDHAM STREET.

Is now receiving a large and beautiful assortment of Goods Suitable for the Season CONSISTING OF Plain and Fancy Woollens in the Best and Newest Patterns.

Hats, Caps, Shirts, Collars, Ties etc. etc. In great variety. Guelph, March 21, 1873. JAMES CORMACK, dw jcs

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First Lot of New Goods for Spring!

Piles of Plain Lustres, Lots of Striped Dress Goods, Fancy Goods The Newest Colors and Patterns.

Print Department IS CROWDED. With the Latest Productions in Colours and Styles, and at LOWER PRICES THAN LAST YEAR.

WM. STEWART. Guelph, March 23, 1874 dw

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A LARGE SUPPLY OF "Handy Package Dyes" In all shades, comprising Scarlet, Bismarck, Falmon, Rose, Slate, Blue Magenta, Brown, Fonceau, Maroon, Black, Violet, Garnet, Green etc.

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BERLIN WOOLS IN ALL SHADES. All of which will be sold at and below cost. Orders received for Hair Jewellery. I. & J. ANDREWS. Guelph, Jan. 13th, 1874. dw j

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