

Guelph Evening Mercury
OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET.
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The Braes of Yarrow

An Historical Tale of the
Sixteenth Century.

Not a word was spoken until the door was closed, then Captain Lindsay, who was engaged deciphering some despatches, looked up sharply. There was, however, a faint gleam of surprise and pleasure perceptible in his eyes in spite of the abrupt unsympathetic manner in which he spoke.

"What the devil brings you here, sir?"

"I have come to deliver myself to you, Captain."

"Deliver yourself?—are you tired of life?"

"Not yet."

"No. Then I suppose you thought it was never too late to be shot?"

"I have not been tried."

"It's all the same. You have deserted, you are held a coward in falling to enter the lists with the Borderer. You will be condemned. Zounds, sir, why didn't you stay where you were?"

Gilbert's face flushed at the word coward.

"I thought, Captain, that my duty called upon me to report myself to you whenever I had freedom and strength to do so. That I am here is surely some proof that I am no coward."

"Humph, that is so, but it will not save you."

"Then I must suffer."

"You take it coolly; but what the devil am I to say to—[to the person who obtained you your appointment.]"

"Say that I was trepanned by a villain who feared to meet me in the lists. That I was carried away and my life aimed at. A lucky accident saved me, and I hastened hither to declare my innocence of intent to desert either my regiment or my duty."

"Have you any one to bear testimony that this is true?"

"Yes, one."

"Whom?"

"One whose word will not be doubted; one who—"

He stopped and looked confused; he remembered that in bringing forward Mary Douglas as a witness in his favour he was risking her reputation, and certainly exposing her to the malice of her proud brother Angus.

"Well, well, go on," said Lindsay impatiently.

"I—I was mistaken, I have no witness, no proof beyond my own assertion."

"You said but now that there was one who could testify to what you state."

"I have no witness," he repeated slowly.

"Humph, that looks bad, bad." Stepping to the door—"Sergeant."

A soldier entered.

"Master Gilbert Elliot is under arrest.—Take him hence—give him whatever he requires." (This in an undertone.)

The sergeant saluted his captain, and motioned to Gilbert to follow him.

"At the door the prisoner paused.

"Can I speak to you for an instant, Captain?"

"Yes."

The Sergeant withdrew in obedience to a sign from Lindsay.

"I only wanted to tell you this, sir," Gilbert said quietly, "there is one who could testify to all that I have told you, and to all that I will tell my judges, but—"

"Well, what do you stop for now?"

"I speak to you, sir, as a friend, and as one who will hold my confidence as sacred."

"Go on."

"Were I to name the witness to whom I refer I would compromise a lady. Therefore I must be silent."

The Captain strode up to him, took his hand, and peered into his face. Presently—

"I understand; and I believe you."

Gilbert left the chamber. He found the sergeant waiting outside, and by him he was conducted to one of the cells of the Castle.

The good-natured Captain, who tried so hard to speak and act in the most disagreeable manner, paced his room for half an hour at intervals in perturbation, growling at every piece of furniture that came in his way as if it had done him an unpardonable injury, and growling at Elliot for turning up again.

Captain Lindsay had received from nature two gifts which did not work well together—or rather, which, he fancied, did not work well together. First, he had been endowed with a tender heart; next, he had been endowed with an overpowering passion for arms. In the course of his career he had often found his heart severely tried by the duties which his position as a soldier forced upon him. Hence he adopted that sharp unceremonious manner which has been observable in him. He endeavoured to convince himself that he was overcoming the weakness of his nature, and that he was ready to execute any duty which might devolve upon him without a single twinge.

TO BE CONTINUED.

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HAS TO HAND
A SUPERIOR LOT OF
HARVEST GLOVES!
JUICE OF THE GRAPE
RECEIVED direct from the Vineyard a fresh supply of the celebrated

W.M. STEWART
GRAPE WINE.
Manufactured expressly for Family and Medicinal Purposes.
IN BOTTLES AND ON DRAFT.
E. HARVEY & CO.
Chemists, &c., Wyndham Street.
Guelph, July 28, 1868. d1

AT HALF THE COST
OF THE GOODS LAID DOWN

2635 yds. Dress Goods reduced to \$0.10	Former Price, 20c.
235 do do do 0.12	Former price, 125c
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1976 do do do 0.20	Former price, 35c
265 Fancy Dresses, each, 1.00	Former price, \$2.25
175 do do do 1.25	Former price, \$2.50
300 do do do 1.50	Former price, \$3.00
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Choice Lot of do., do., \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50.

SMALL lot of Dresses, slightly soiled, will be offered at merely a nominal price.

LOT of Ladies' Jackets, in Meltons, Velvets, Tissues, Silk and Water-Proof Cloths, will be offered at above quotations.

LOT of Shirting FLANNEL at half-price.

LOT of Gambroons and Kentucky Jeans from 12 1/2c per yard.

LOT of Hosiery, motled and striped, from 12 1/2c per pair.

LOT of Cotton Gloves at 5c per pair.

LOT of Croquet Skirts and Skirtings at prices.

The Cattle Plague in Illinois.
A despatch from Chicago, on the 4th says: Considerable excitement prevails among the cattle sellers and buyers in this city in consequence of a mysterious disease that has recently broken out among beef cattle in the central part of the State. Out of several lots of cattle received here by the Illinois Central Railroad, and purchased and shipped East day before yesterday, seven head died on the cars between here and Pittsburgh.—The dealers owning them have telegraphed to the Union Yards here, requesting the agents to buy no more cattle. A general panic is occasioned among the cattle men in consequence.

The following letter was printed in *The Springfield Journal* of July 24, by order of the Governor of Illinois.

"TARLINE, Ill., July 22, 1868.

"To his Excellency Gov. OGLESBY:—

I take the liberty to write you to inform you of a dreadful cattle plague that has broken out in our midst, which has proved so fatal as to baffie all efforts to save a single animal. There has not one recovered that has been attacked. The total loss up to this date is from 40 to 50 valuable milk cows and fat steers. A week ago I had 50 head of fat steers in pasture, now I have twenty left, and they continue to die at the rate of five or ten per day. It is rapidly spreading over our prairies, and there are few cattle in this neighborhood that are not affected. It has taken the all from many a poor family, and if we cannot discover some remedy it will surely sweep our country of a good deal of valuable stock. I have been informed that there has been a committee of scientific gentlemen appointed by you to examine some cases of the kind in Sangamon County; if so, you will confer a great favor upon us. I would believe the country, to have the matter examined and see if the fatal scourge cannot be stayed. It is believed by many to have been brought here by Texas stock that were with ours a month ago. It is certainly contagious of some kind and is increasing in violence rapidly. Your obedient servant.

E. RICHARDSON."

SPECIAL ATTENTION
DIRECTED to a lot of Light Ground Prints, partially damaged by water in transit, at 12 1/2c per yard, worth 17c.

Lace and Muslin Curtains, Sheetings, Pillow Cottons, White and Coloured Quilts, Toilet Covers, Damasks, in Union and Wool, Reps, Towels, Huck, Crash, Tickings, Bleached and Grey Cottons will be offered at Low Prices.

NOTE.—The above Goods were never sold in the Town of Guelph at such a sacrifice in price. Every one should consult their interests by an early call.

FOUND DROWNED.
NOTE.—At daybreak yesterday a fisherman found the body of a young man on the rocks above this place. Name unknown.—Daily News.

NEW SONG and CHORUS
At DAY'S Bookstore,
Opposite the Market Guelph.
Guelph, August 8 d1

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LOOK THIS WAY

A. O. BUCHAM
DESIRE to thank his numerous friends for the marked success that has so far attended his Great CLEARING SALE, and respectfully intimates to the ladies and gentlemen of this town that his entire Stock, comprising the best selection of FANCY and

STAPLE DRY GOODS
IS FOR SALE. Intending purchasers should not hesitate one moment, but come this way. Various Sales are announced, but they all amount to nothing in view of this GRAND

SELL OFF!
Bargains in Dresses, Bargains in Silks, Bargains in Grenadines, Bargains in Muslins, Bargains in Silk Jackets, Bargains in Skirtings, Bargains in Shawls, Bargains in Skirts.

Cheap STAPLE GOODS
A. O. B. has always sold Staple Goods Cheaper than any other House. The large quantity sold is sufficient guarantee that such is the case. But during this Sale the greatest bargains are going in

A. O. BUCHAM.
Prints, Shirtings, Tickings, Denims, Towellings, Table Cloths and Napkins, Sheetings, White & Grey Cottons.
NOTICE THIS—Silver taken at par until the first of August. Come this way with your small change, and help to get rid of the Nuisance.
Wyndham Street, Guelph, July 25, 1868 daw tf

To R. Cuthbert
Watchmaker, &c.,
Wyndham-St., Guelph.
We are determined to buy our Watches from you, and none but RUSSEL WATCHES will suit us.
THE PUBLIC.

BEAUTIFUL ASSORTMENT
OF
DRESS SHIRTS,
TIES, COLLARS,
CUFFS and BRACES
AT
THE GUELPH CLOTH HALL
A. THOMSON & CO.
Guelph, 9th May 1868 daw

CO-OPERATION
Number of Co-Operative Stores in England 699
Number of Members 148,686
SHARE CAPITAL \$4,370,250
Paid for Goods in one year 15,316,440
Received for Goods in one year 16,869,185
Profit realized in one year 1,811,130

On a capital of about four millions of dollars they do a business of about sixteen millions of dollars, and are thus enabled to sell at a profit of 8 per cent. instead of the usual profit of 25 per cent., and their customers save \$2,786,150 annually, besides receiving a share of the profits.

The subscribers have conducted their business on the same principles, with nearly the same results. Their business has rapidly increased, which has enabled them to turn over their capital four times a year, and sell at one-fourth of the profits of merchants, who only turn over their capital once a year.

Besides Paying a DIVIDEND to their Customers.
In proportion as the business increases, prices will either be reduced or larger dividends paid.

Women's & Children's Boots
Just arrived 7 Cases Women's and Children's Boots, bought at Auction at a little over half-price! We are selling Children's Leather Boots, with copper-toes at 50c., Ladies' Prunella from 50c., Ladies' Leather Gaiters and Balmoral at 60c.

W. MACKLIN & CO.
Guelph July 7, 1868 daw

B. GALBRAITH
TAILOR,
ST. GEORGE'S SQUARE, GUELPH,
In rear of the English Church, BEGS to inform the inhabitants of Guelph and vicinity that he has rented the premises lately occupied by Mr. Jeanneret, Watchmaker, where Parties Furnishing their Own Goods
Will always find him on hand ready to attend to their orders. All work carefully executed and on reasonable terms.
Garments Altered, Repaired and Cut with Neatness and Dispatch.

Shoe Tools & Findings

A COMPLETE assortment of the latest patterns of Shoe Tools, Shoes and Machine Thread, Machine Silk, Shoe Pegs, Shoe Nails, Shoe Tacks, Heel and Toe Plates, &c., wholesale and retail.
RYAN & OLIVER,
114 Yonge Street, Toronto
Toronto, 1st April, 1868. d

TO TAILORS.
AMERICAN Shears, Trimmers, and Points of all sizes, Squares, Carved Holes, Straight-edges, Improved Irons, English and American Crayons, Bartlett's Needles, Tapes, &c. All the best quality, and at lowest prices.
RYAN & OLIVER,
Importers of Hardware—114 Yonge-st. Toronto
Toronto, 1st April, 1868. d

TO MACHINISTS.
STEEL Squares, Steel Rules, Centre Gages, Vernier Callipers, Steel Calliper Rules, Caliper Squares, Ames' Universal Squares, Self-regulating Calipers and Dividers, Stubs Files and Tools, Patent Oilers, Sheet Steel, &c. For sale by
RYAN & OLIVER,
General Hardware Merchants—114 Yonge-st.; Toronto, 1st April, 1868. d

Cabinetmakers & Upholsterers.
HAIR Seating, Curled Hair, Tow, Sofa Springs, Twine, Chair Web, Buttons, Screws, Hinges, Locks, Tacks, Flint Paper, Glue, Piano Stool screws, Coffin Trimmings, Upholsterers' Needles and Regulators, Addle Carvers' Tools, Extension Lip Auger Bits, Melodion Hardware, &c. For sale at lowest prices.
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Toronto, 1st April, 1868. d-ly

2, DAY'S BLOCK.
FRESH ARRIVALS OF
SUGARS
For the Preserving Season, viz:
Porto Rico Yellow Refined Crushed A Dry Crushed Ground Extra Crushed, &c

At reduced prices, for Two Months. Also, a large assortment of Preserve Jars of the newest styles,
At E. CARROLL & CO'S
No. 2, GUELPH.
Guelph, July 18. daw tf
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Washing Composition!
The best and Rarest Discovery of the Age, for Washing Purposes,
Worth Twenty Dollars a Year
In a family of eight or ten persons.
It will wash in hard or soft water. Clothes require no rubbing. The dirt is boiled out in ten minutes, and the washing may be on the line before breakfast. It is warranted not to injure or discolor the clothes, and will also remove paint, grease, or stains of all kinds. Give it a fair trial and you will never be without it. "Family Rights," containing full directions for making and using the Composition, \$1 each. Sold at the Patentee's Music Store, and at A. B. PETRIE'S Drug Store, July 16th. dw Patentee, Guelph, Ont

AT JOHN A. WOOD'S
50 White Granite Toilets
25 Printed do do
Fancy Stone and Parian Water Jugs
Butter Dishes, with Strainers
Bird Fountains, Jell Boxes & Baths
Corn Starch and Jelly Moulds
Engraved Bar Bottles
Sherry Clobber Tubes
100 dozen New Pattern Tumblers and Wine Glasses
25 dozen Lager Beer Jugs
Glass Bowls, Cream Jugs, Water Jugs
Tea Sets, in China, White, and Coloured Ware,
AT JOHN A. WOOD'S.
Guelph, July 18th, 1868. dw

CHEAP FIREWOOD!
THE Subscriber is prepared to enter into contracts to supply Firewood, consisting of Cedar, Tamarack, Hemlock, Pine and Balsam in quantities of not less than five cords. Price, delivered, \$2 25 per cord. Persons hauling the wood themselves will be supplied at \$1 75 per cord. As the subscriber intends burning off underbrush in the fall, the timber must be removed during this summer.
CEDAR POSTS FOR SALE
Also for sale about 3,000 good cedar posts, cheap. Apply to H. HATCH, at his office, or to Mr. Wm. Cooper, on the farm adjoining the residence of L. Lewis Esq., Guelph, June 15. d-3m

Canada Clothing Store!
WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.
BARGAINS
Positively selling off at
20 PER CENT BELOW COST
COUNTRY Merchants and Tailors are particularly invited to inspect the stock of CLOTHES, CLOTHING, TRIMMINGS, &c., which for quality and cheapness cannot be equalled in the Dominion. We challenge competition.
A number of first-class Sewing Machines for sale at from \$10 to \$45, in good working order. Call before purchasing elsewhere and get a bargain.
RICHARD AINLEY.
Guelph, 29th July. dw

STANDARD
Life Assurance Company
(Established 1855.)
Accumulated Fund £3,700,005 1s. 4d. Six
DAVIDSON & CHADWICK,
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THE STANDARD strongly advocates the Bill now before the House under which Insurance Companies are required to make certain deposits with the Government. THE STANDARD is ready and willing to make any deposit required, thus guaranteeing to the fullest extent the Policy Holders. Every information to those desirous of insuring will be given at the office of