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Guelph Evening Mercury
 OFFICE: MACDONNELL STREET.
 SATURDAY EVENING, JAN'Y 4, 1868

THE OLD HYMN.
 On distant ground and holy
 My feet have trod,
 Where with a peaceful joy
 I worshipped God.
 I bowed when bells were ringing
 A hallowed chime,
 And knelt when sweet the singing
 At evening time.
 But not their voices pealing
 In waves along,
 Some grandest thought revealing
 In bursts of song,
 No anthem through those arches
 And aisles dim,
 Hath thrilled my soul like marches
 Of that sweet hymn.
 And as a scene Elysian
 It comes to me,
 That spot a peaceful vision,
 My eyes can see
 A mouldering church's tower,
 The altar and the floor,
 Where with bewildering power
 The music roared.
 Oh, lips that breathed its glory
 That silent grew,
 Forgetting its bright story
 Beneath the eaves,
 Beyond the grave's dark portal,
 The doubt and pain,
 Do ye not chant immortal
 That hymn again?

The Maiden's Choice
 OR, THE LAIRD OF BIRKENCLEUCH.
 A Tale of the Covenanters.

A recent writer gives the following as his gleaming of the dark record—
 "It would fill a volume to relate all the iniquity, barbarity, and insolence of a soldier who were of themselves sufficiently inclined to these courses, but who, in addition, found themselves praised and rewarded in proportion to the number of their victims committed. It was not only the execution of the fines—and fines far beyond anything authorized, the soldiers, in fact, demanding whatever they choose—but when the fines were not paid, a number of them would quarter on the person so failing, and his loss was thus tenfold aggravated. Where they came to quarter they were not satisfied with receiving sufficient provision for themselves and their animals; they would spoil everything; carried off hay, scattered corn, brought sheep from the hills, and besides what they devoured, cast the slaughtered carcasses, in the most wanton manner, to their hands. 'We came to destroy,' they would say with oaths and jeers, 'and we will destroy.' When they had eaten up the landlord, they settled like a swarm of locusts upon the tenants, and, having the country at their mercy, little distinction was made between Conformists and non-Conformists. Indeed, most of them being in the lowest depth of ignorance and degradation, knew nothing about the nature of these questions. They took a fiendish pleasure in interrupting family worship, and all other religious exercises, and in mocking at everything good and holy. Many of the curates in the various parishes were their informers and directors, stimulated them to more and more excess, and associated and visited with them in drunkenness and all manner of profligacy."
 The reader can now see the power of mischief possessed by Charlie Allan, and will no longer be surprised at the measures taken by Walter Elliot to provide against his expected visit. In his case there was not only the power but the eager will, to injure, for the strongest passions of his evil nature had been roused, and a man of his stamp is capable of every atrocity. In short, the inmates of Birkenkleuch were almost wholly at his mercy, while there was no mercy, but the deadliest revenge, in his heart.

CHAPTER V.—THE PARISH OF GREYSTONE—THE MINISTER AND HIS PEOPLE—THE MANSE AND ITS INMATES.
 When the storm of persecution gathered over Scotland the village and parish of Greystone, in the upper district of Strathdale, had for their pastor Mr. Gordon, who was to them a pastor in the true sense of the word. He taught and guided the people of his charge with zeal and tenderness, for he did it in love. He had a well-balanced mind, a warm heart, and a high sense of duty, added to which he had a comprehensive knowledge of their general needs, and a wide appreciation of the means necessary to promote their social and religious welfare. He had spent the whole of his pastoral life among them, for he was ordained the minister of the parish while yet a young man, and fulfilled the duties of his high calling with a joy and success proportioned to his enlightened conception of what these duties were, and his earnest desire to be the judicious instructor and true friend of the community constituting his pastorate.
 As a consequence he was universally beloved, respected, looked up to, and trusted in all things. His people consulted him, not in religious matters only, but in everything that concerned them, knowing that his wide sympathies embraced their entire earthly life, extending to their joys and sorrows, their hopes and fears of whatever kind. Being without authority, without exclusiveness, without narrowness of thought or feeling, he was able and willing to give them counsel and advice in all circumstances, and in these respects they were more fortunate than the inhabitants of many other parishes at that time, for though the ministers of the Scottish Kirk, particularly in the south-west, were faithful and zealous religious teachers, their theology was rather of a stern and severe character, which had not a very wise consideration of the matters affecting the daily life of their people. They ruled somewhat rigorously, counting it of the greatest, almost the only, importance to drill their hearers in theological knowledge, and making all else very small in comparison.
 Now, Mr. Gordon was fully alive to the importance of this duty, and zealously taught his people the highest religious truth, but he had also a wide view of human life, and knew how true peace, progress, and well-being, depended on other things besides doctrinal knowledge and theological truth, and he set himself so far as he was able, to develop their whole nature, and make them, not only religiously intelligent, but happy and affectionate.

And what he was in his parish he was, if possible, still more in his home. Long ago, he had suffered deep affliction in the death of his wife, who left him with but one child, a daughter, whose up-bringing became his chief domestic care, and who, under his judicious training, grew up into a young girl possessed of many charms, and a solid womanly character.
 A few years before the opening of our story he had received into his little family circle two youths, who had been put under his care to receive their education, and he made it his business to pursue worthily the career of their life. This he had done at the earnest solicitation of one of them it was a sacred duty, which he could not but discharge, and since he was in a manner bound to take charge of young Walter Elliot, the orphan heir of Birkenkleuch, he thought it might be an advantage to have Charlie Allan as his companion.
 The youth was the nephew of Sir Thomas Allan of Glenochie, in the north, with whom in former years Mr. Gordon had been in terms of intimacy. Sir Thomas had been a teacher in the army, who was killed in a battle abroad, leaving an illegitimate son to the care of his brother, who for the sake of the family blood that flowed in his veins, was taken in charge by the Baronet, though he did not think fit to receive him into his own family, and did not mean to do more for him than have him educated and

He solicited his old friend, Mr. Gordon, to receive him into his keeping, and the latter complied the more readily that he was at the very time constituted as the guardian of the young laird of Birkenkleuch, for whom a companion might be desired.
 Charlie Allan proved a youth of whom very little could be made. He had the very worst of dispositions, was selfish in the highest degree, his evil passions were strong, he was without a spark of gratitude, and thought of nothing but the gratification of his lawless desires.
 Walter Elliot was a youth of very different stamp. He was as generous and affectionate as the other was selfish and heartless. Brave, honourable, high-principled, and truthful, he made rapid progress under Mr. Gordon's tuition, and was the favourite of all, not only because their laird, but on account of his own character, which excited love and admiration.
 Of necessity Marion Gordon and the two youths living in the manse associated much together, and their intercourse could not be other than intimate. This was a continual source of uneasiness to Mr. Gordon, who feared the result, especially as he saw that Charlie Allan was marked in his attention to her, and evidently wished to gain her affections. It relieved him, however, to see that Marion had a secret aversion to Charlie, and a preference for Walter, who was as orderly and enamoured of her. This was in no way displeasing to Mr. Gordon, but the contrary, for when he held the hand of Walter's father for the last time, and watched his last moments, the latter had expressed the eager hope that his son and Marion Gordon should live and wed—Mr. Gordon would not undertake to exercise any constraint in order that this object might be attained, but he promised that should an affection grow between them, and Walter come to solicit Marion's hand, he would not withhold his sanction. He was therefore glad at heart when he saw this affection growing up, and became satisfied that of her two suitors, Walter Elliot, and not Charlie Allan, was Marion's choice.
 As may be easily guessed, Mr. Gordon was not indifferent to the attempt made by the King and his Government to destroy the Presbyterian religion in Scotland and establish Episcopacy in its room. He joined the other faithful ministers of the land in resisting the change, influencing on his people and all whom he could influence the duty of keeping true to the Covenant, and setting himself with all his might to preserve the liberties of the country, which were so ominously threatened.
 But all efforts failed, and the Glasgow edict of ejection was pronounced. Calmly but resolutely Mr. Gordon cast in his lot with the four hundred ministers who renounced their earthly ministrations, and proved unfaithful to their Divine Master and the covenanted work in Scotland. When it became known that he was to be expelled, the grief and sorrow of the people was inexpressible, and according to the depth and intensity of these was their attachment to the cause of the Covenant, and the abhorrence of that Prelacy which it was attempted to force upon them.

TO BE CONTINUED.
Pat and the Deacon.
 Some months ago, as Deacon Ingalls, of Swampscot, Rhode Island, was traveling through the western part of the State of New York, he fell in with an Irishman who had lately arrived in this country, and was in search of a brother who had come before him and settled in some of the diggings in that part of the country.
 Pat was a strong man, a true Roman Catholic, and had never seen the Interior of the Protestant Church. Ingalls was a Presbyterian. He told Pat he was going to church, and invited his new-made friend to keep him company thither, his destination being a small meeting house near by. There was a great revival there at the time, and one of the deacons, who was a very small man in stature, invited brother Ingalls to a seat in his pew. He accepted the invitation, followed by Pat, who looked in vain for the altar, etc. After he was seated, he turned round to brother Ingalls, and in a whisper that could be heard all round, he inquired: "Shure, an' isn't this a heretic church?" "Hush!" said Ingalls, "if you speak a word they will put you out."
 "Never a word will I speak at all," replied Pat.
 The meeting was opened by prayer by the pastor. Pat was eyeing him very closely, when an old gentleman, who was standing in the pew directly in front of Pat, shouted "Amen!"
 "Hist, ye thief!" rejoined Pat, in his loud whisper, which was heard by the minister; "be decent, and don't make a blackguard of yourself!"
 The person grew more fervent in his devotions. Presently the deacon uttered an audible groan—"Amen!"
 "Hist, ye blackguard! Have ye no decency at all?" said Pat, at the same time giving him a punch in the ribs, which caused him to lurch his equilibrium. The minister stopped, and extending his hands in a supplicating manner, said: "Brethren, we cannot be disturbed in this way. Will some one put that man out?"
 "Yes, your reverence," shouted Pat, "I will do it."
 And suiting the action to the word, he collared the deacon, and to the utter horror of the pastor, brother Ingalls, and the whole congregation, he dragged him up the aisle, and, with a tremendous kick sent him into the vestibule of the church.

It Gives Satisfaction, does that excellent Tea sold for 62c. per lb. by JAS. MURPHY, No. 1, Upper Wyndham-st., Guelph. dwf

Business must be attended to, and in order to do this properly Mr. Horsman will keep open each evening till 10 o'clock, and on Saturday until 9, for the sale of Oil, Lamps, Chimneys, Wicks, &c.

RAILWAY MATTERS.—Messrs. C. J. Brydges, managing director of the Grand Trunk Railway, W. J. Spicer, C. P. Hanford, Lieut-Col. Galloway and a number of other gentlemen connected with the road, arrived in Toronto yesterday morning. Messrs Thomas Swinford, Fred Taylor and others were also in the city. In the afternoon a conference took place, which is understood to have had reference to the freight traffic on the western section of the roads. Whatever the definite object of the conference was, it broke up without any direct understanding being arrived at.

FAILURE IN MONTREAL.—The suspension of payment by H. L. Routh & Co., of Montreal, has elicited a strong feeling of sympathy for the parties concerned. It

THE TRADE AND COMMERCE OF BUFFALO, for the year 1867—aggregated \$250,000, according to the annual review of the Commercial Advertiser.

A Lay preacher in a community up the country made a palpable hit on Sunday last, in describing the happy state of the first man and woman in Paradise, until the Devil, "that Fenian of hell," entered and destroyed their happiness.

THE UNDERSIGNED EXECUTORS for the Estate of the first man and woman in Paradise, until the Devil, "that Fenian of hell," entered and destroyed their happiness.

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COMMERCIAL.
Guelph Markets.
 MERCURY OFFICE, GUELPH, Jan'y 4, 1868.

Flour, per 100 lbs.	83 75	4 00
Fall Wheat per bushel	1 05	1 70
Spring Wheat	0 85	0 85
Oats	0 45	0 45
Peas	0 85	0 85
Butter (cream), per lb.	0 20	0 20
Eggs, per dozen	12 00	14 00
Lard	4 00	5 00
Shingles per square	1 00	0 80
Butter (dried), per lb.	0 20	0 20
Wool	0 27	0 20
Bees, per dozen	0 14	0 18
Chickens per pair	0 20	0 25
Ducks do	0 20	0 25
Geese, each	0 25	0 35
Turkeys do	0 50	0 60
Potatoes	0 20	0 20
Apples per bushel	0 50	2 00
Upper Canada Irons	1 00	1 00
Beef	4 00	6 00
Lamb, per lb.	0 05	0 10
Sheep Pelts each	5 00	6 50
Lamb skins	0 40	0 40
Hides per 100 lbs.	6 00	6 00

Money Market.
 JACKSON'S EXCHANGE OFFICE,
 Guelph, January 4, 1868.

Gold, 134.
 Greenbacks at 73 to 74; Sold at 74 to 75.
 Silver bought at 44 to 45 dis.; sold at 45 to 46.
 Upper Canada Irons 100 to 120.
 Commercial Bank Bills bought at 90 to 95.

MONTREAL MARKETS.
 Kirkwood, Livingstone & Co's. report by Special Telegram to "Evening Mercury."
 Montreal, January 4, 1868.

Flour small receipts, sales limited but market firm at from five to ten cents higher. Grain—Least hog, lb at \$1 07 to \$1 08 1/2 sale at a high figure; Peas no sales, rates unchanged. Provisions—Pork quiet; hogs fair receipts, quality unsatisfactory. Ashes unchanged.
 Flour—Fancy, \$7 65 to \$7 75; Superfine No. 1, \$7 40 to \$7 50; Welland Canal, \$7 50. Bag flour, \$5 55 to \$5 65. Oats 42 c to 43 c. Barley \$4 to \$4 25. Potatoes 100 to 120. Store packed 14 c to 16 c. Ashes—Pots \$5 45 to \$5 50, pearls \$5 55 to \$6 00.

Toronto, January 3, 1868
 Flour—Receipts, 200 bags; No. 1, at \$6 90.—Wheat—at \$1 52. Peas—74c. Oats—55c to 57c. Barley—\$1 00 to \$1 05.

HAMILTON, January 3, 1868
 Fall wheat—\$1 50 to \$1 55, spring do \$1 45 to \$1 50 per bushel. Barley—\$1 25. Oats—53c to 55c. Peas—73c to 75c.

COW LOST.
 STRAYED or Stolen from the Fair ground on Fair Day, a White Cow. Had small horns, and was in good condition. Any person returning her to the owner, or to the undersigned, will be rewarded by the undersigned.
 W. M. NAPPER,
 Lot 25, 3rd Concession, Nassau, Niagara Falls, Guelph, 3rd January, 1868. 5143

FAMILY KNITTING MACHINE
 Manufactured by the Lamb Knitting Machine Manufacturing Company,
CHICOPEE FALLS, N. Y.
 It is the best Family Knitting Machine extant. No other invention affords so profitable employment for women.
 It has taken the Highest premium (a Gold Medal) at the Fair of the American Institute, New York, and the Exhibition of the Mass. Charitable Association, Boston, and the Provincial Exhibition at Toronto also, and the highest Premium at every State and County Fair wherever it has been exhibited, eclipsing all other machines.
 It sets up in its own work, knits all sizes, widens and narrows, knits the heel into the stocking, and narrows off the toe complete; knits a yard of plain work in five minutes; a pair of socks in 10 to 15 minutes; knits the single double, ribbed, and fancy knits, producing all varieties of knit goods from an infant's stocking, to a lady's shawl or hood, which no other machine in the world can do. It is simple, durable, and easily operated.
 Agents Wanted.
 JACOB N. COFER,
 Sole Agent of Wellington and Waterloo Counties, Also, Agent of the HAWKLEY SEWING MACHINE, Boston, and of the PATENT GARDNER'S MACHINES, in the Province of Ontario.
 Address: Hespeler P. O. 759-3m

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 Members of the Dental Association of the Province of Ontario.
 (Successors in Guelph to T. Trotter.)
OFFICE:
 Over Mr. Higginbotham's Drug Store
 REFERENCES.—Rev. Archdeacon Palmer, Drs. Chas. Parker and Howell, Guelph; A. F. Scott, Esq., County Judge; George Green, County Attorney; Dr. Pattullo, M. M. C.; Rev. Mr. Arnold, Brampton; Dr. Barnhart, Warden of Peel; Dr. Hargrave, Resident Surgeon Toronto Hospital.
 The new anæsthetic agents used for extracting teeth without pain.
 R. TROTTER, W. K. GRAHAM,
 Guelph, 2nd August, 1867. (dw-1y)

Men Wanted.
 WANTED, a few more
GOOD CHOPPERS
 To cut wood by the Cord. Good wages can be made from \$125 to \$150 a day being paid weekly.
 Constant Employment till next June.
 Apply to **ALEX. NAIRN,**
 Rockwood Station, Ont.
 Rockwood, Jan. 2nd, 1868. 741-w-41

Boarding and Day School for Young Ladies.
CHURCH-ST. - - - GUELPH.
 MISS WIGHTMAN begs to announce that her school will re-open (D. V.) on the 6th of January. Vacancies for two or three boarders.
 Guelph, 26th December, 1867. wly

BERKSHIRE BOAR.
 THE subscriber has newly purchased a first class pure-bred Berkshire Boar, which will serve during the season.
 Terms \$1.
 ALLAN SIMPSON, Blacksmith,
 Guelph, 23rd Dec, 1867. 4wd

NOTICE
 To Debtors & Creditors.
 THE undersigned Executors for the Estate of the first man and woman in Paradise, deceased, hereby give notice to all parties indebted to the said Estate, to pay to J. W. BURT, acting Executor for the same, as he is the sole person authorized to receive money for the said Estate, and all parties are forbidden to pay to any other person. All parties having claims against the Estate are hereby notified to send in the same to the undersigned on or before the expiry of six months from the date of this notice.
 J. W. BURT, Executor.
 ARCH THOMSON, Executors.

Excellent Farm
 For Sale in Eramosa.
 FOR sale that valuable farm, composed of the West-half of Lot No. 28, 3rd Concession, Eramosa.
One Hundred Acres!
 with about 70 acres cleared. Land of excellent quality, and well watered. There is a good Two Storey Stone House
 containing nine rooms, pantry, and cellar the whole size of house.
 The building is nearly new. There is also a large FRAME SHED nearly new, and a thriving young orchard of the best graded fruit. This property will be sold cheap. For terms and particulars apply to
 HENRY HATCH, Guelph,
 Guelph, 10th December, 1867. w3m

\$20. STAR \$100.
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 THE Star Shuttle Sewing Machine makes a stitch alike on both sides of material sewed, which will not rip or ravel. Does all kinds of work equally as well as Singer's highest priced machine. Combines simplicity with durability, and is warranted for five years. It is suited alike for the dressmaker, tailor, manufacturer or family. Mr. J. SPAFFORD having been appointed General Agent for Ontario, wishes to engage a few good local and travelling agents, to whom good inducements will be offered. For machine, sample of work, or terms, address—
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 Pansonly P. O.,
 Reference—Rev. E. A. Healy, Stratford P. O., or Box 450, Toronto

New Livery Stable.
 HORSES FOR HIRE.
 PARTIES wishing to hire Saddle-horses, or Horses and Buggies, can do so at moderate rates, by applying to be undersigned, at the Wellington Hotel.
JOSEPH STRAHAN.
 Guelph, Oct 7 1867. do-3m

DOMINION SALOON,
 (LATE GRAND'S SHADES SALOON.)
 OPPOSITE THE MARKET,
 GUELPH.
 CHOICE LIQUORS, CIGARS, OYSTERS, &c., &c. All kinds of food. Meals furnished at all hours.
DENIS BUNYAN.
 Guelph, December 2, 1867. dawty

Funerals, Funerals!
 NATHAN TOVELL, best to estimate that he is prepared to attend funerals as usual on this always on hand. He uses to hire. His Steam Planting Mill is in constant operation. All kinds of lumber, shingles, doors, 100 lbs. mouldings, &c. He solicits a share of public patronage.
 NATHAN TOVELL,
 Guelph, 27th Aug, 1867. Nelson Crescent

Valuable Building Lots for Sale
 IN EVERTON.
 THE subscriber offers for sale, cheap for cash, two valuable building lots in the Village of Everton, being Nos. 122 and No. 123, as laid out on the map made by Wm. Dastler, Esq. P. L. S. There is a good lot of an acre of land in the village, and being close to the District Meeting House and a good part of the Village, and excellent sites for building on. Terms apply at the Mercury Office or (if by letter post-paid) to DUNCAN ROBERTSON, Everton P. O. Guelph, Nov. 14th 1867. w4

FURS,
 FURS, FURS.
 WE have opened our stock of FURS, of our own manufacture, which we will sell at LOW PRICES, viz:
 Extra Dark Mink, Royal Ermine, Siberian Squirrel, River Mink, Ladies' Hoods, GENTS' MUFFLERS and GLOVES, SLEIGH ROBES, &c.
 And a full assortment of CHILDREN'S FURS.
F. GARLAND,
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The Highest Price paid for Raw Furs
 Guelph, Oct. 31, 1867. 88d w732

BOOTS & SHOES
 At Wholesale Prices.
 HAVING a large stock of BOOTS and SHOES, which must be sold during the NEXT TWO MONTHS, I will offer the same during that time at Wholesale Prices. Note prices and be convinced that you will save from 25 to 50 per cent. per pair by buying at me.

Kingston Penitentiary
 BOOT AND SHOE STORE.
Men's Coarse Boots!
 FORMER PRICES.—No. 1, \$3.00; No. 2, \$2.75; No. 3, \$2.50.
 PRESENT PRICES.—No. 1, \$2.75; No. 2, \$2.50.
 Boys' Boots from \$1.70. Youth's Boots from \$1.35. Women's Boots from \$1.10.
 with a large variety of everything in the line at equally low prices.
 Don't forget the place—Kingston Penitentiary Boot and Shoe Store.
 All work warranted.
J. CRIDFORD.
 Guelph, 4th November, 1867.

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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, 1867. -df w4

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OPENING ANNOUNCEMENT.
FRANK SMITH & CO.
 77 Front Street, Toronto,
 BEG to intimate to their Western friends and the public generally, that they have now received a large portion of their Fall supply of
Fresh English Groceries, Wines, Brandies, &c.,
 Ex. 'Planet,' 'Chaudiere,' 'City of Hamilton,' 'Glenborie,' from London.
 'Avon,' 'Onelia,' 'Hibernia,' 'Peruvian,' 'Summer,' and 'Pericles,' from Liverpool.
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 'Agnes' from Charente. And are daily expecting the arrival of
Fresh New Crop Fruit and Mediterranean Cargo
 Ex. 'Deodara,' 'Canny Scott' and 'Mary Ann,' from Malaga, Marseilles and Genoa.

JUST RECEIVING IN STORE.
 303 Hhds and Tierces of Barbadoes, Porto Rico and Cuba Sugars.
 522 Bbls Currants crop 1866, VERY CHEAP.
 5175 Hbls Chests and Caddies Sonchong, Congou, Japan, Gunpowder, Young and Old Hyson Teas.
 With a full assortment of Tobaccos Refined Sugars, Wines and Liquors and Dry Groceries. All of which will be submitted to the trade, equal to and below Montreal prices.
 Inspection invited. Terms Liberal. Cash and prompt paying customers desired.
 Toronto, 6th November, 1867. dwf

REMOVAL!
GRAND CLEARING SALE!
JAMES CORMACK,
 HAVING leased that large and New Store next to JOHN HORSHU'S, he has determined to dispose of the balance of his large Stock of first-class
READY-MADE CLOTHING,
CLOTHS AND GENTLEMEN'S FURNISHING GOODS,
At a Tremendous Reduction
 OF PRICES. As the Goods are all new, the Clothing well cut, well made and well stayed, the public will find this one of the best and cheapest sales ever offered in Guelph.
 Goods booked charged the regular price.
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 WE WOULD INVITE THOSE ABOUT TO PURCHASE
CHRISTMAS PRESENTS
 to step in and examine our stock, as it is larger and more varied than ever.
D. SAVAGE.
 Guelph, December 14, 1867. dw

GREAT SALE OF
BOOTS AND SHOES
PREST & HEPBURN
 WILL COMMENCE
On Monday next, 23rd Dec.,
 To sell off the entire Stock of Imported Goods
At Cost and Under!
 and will continue until the whole is CLEARED OUT, as they intend in future to keep nothing but their own manufacture. This will be the best opportunity ever offered in the Town of Guelph to buy cheap Boots and Shoes, as the
Whole Stock will be sold without Reserve for Cash only.
PREST & HEPBURN.
 Guelph, 16th December, 1867.

DRY GOODS & GROCERIES.
G. & A. HADDEN.
 Would invite the special attention of the public to their very large stock of
SEASONABLE DRY GOODS!
 Comprising a full assortment of every description of Goods suitable for the Fall and Winter Trade. No old, moth eaten bankrupt stock, but all Fresh New Goods, which they are determined to sell off at such a reduction in price as cannot fail to give entire satisfaction to the purchasers.

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Wines, Brandies and Liquors
 A large stock of choice Wines, Brandies and Liquors, warranted genuine. Crochery, China and Glassware in great variety. Also, a full assortment of **FAMILY GROCERIES** of the best quality and at the lowest price.
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