Guelph Evening Mercury

OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET.

SATURDAY EV'G, AUGUST 8, 1868.

Farewell.

Lovely cradle of my sorrows,
Lovely tomb of my repose,
Lovely city, I must leave thee,
Though my heart be full of woes.

Fare thee well, thou sacred threshold,
Where my lovely maiden dwelt;
Fare thee well thou spot so sacred,
Where my eyes her first beheld.

Had I never seen thy beauty,
My heart's beauteous, fairy queen,
Never could it then have happened
That so sorrowful I'd been.

Never would I move thy pity,
Love of thee I'd never craved;
But in quietness would linger
Where thy gentle finger waved.

But thou wouldst that I shouldst leave thee,
Bitter words thy lips expressed;
Frenzy rages in my senses,
Sadly is my heart distressed.

And, with drooping heart and spirit,
I go hence my passion's slave,
Till I lay my weary body
In a cold and distant grave.

The Braes of Yarrow

An Historical Tale of the Sixteenth Century.

Sir Walter took the paper, and, despite himself, his hand shook slightly. He read—

'My good friend and dear lover, Gilbert Elliot, greeting,—Dear heart, why should you risk your life and my hope in this contest with Tushielaw? Should you be victor that will not bring the dead to life; should you fail, the shame which now lies upon us will be confirmad for ever. I would have you live for the sake of one who loves you more than all the world beside. Wherefore, I pray you, pause, and go not into battle.—M. S.

It was with difficulty that the knight suppressed a cry of pain. The letter was writ by his wife—it was no counterfeit he could have sworn, and it gave a terrible confirmation to all that Ritchie had said. He had discredited him all along, or he had found some probable explanation for all that was imputed to his lady. But now?

What explanation could he find for this letter? How argue away the meaning of the words—'live for the sake of one who loves you more than all the world beside?' There was no explanation, no argument that he could find to alter the conclusion to which the mind leapt at first sight of this letter—that his wife was untrue to him, and that Gilbert Elliot was his foe.

His pulse seemed to stand still; his brain seemed to swell and beat against his skull as if it would burst. He became giddy, sick, and suffocated. He wanted air, and as he staggered toward the window a thousand lights seemed to be dancing in the chamber like so many fiends mocking his agony, and through it all he was conscious of two dark evil eyes fixed steadily upon him.

He thrust the window open and looked out into the cold dark night. He raised his mask and allowed the sharp wind to play upon his face.

His vision cleared, the oppressive throbbing of the brain ceased, and he seemed to awaken from a horrible dream. It was no more than a dream; he would not believe that it was more, for he knew her love, and in spite of every proof he would trust in it till she herself told him that it was no longer his. He would forget the dream.

He drew the mask over his face again, closed the window, and returned to the invalid's couch.

'Were you ill?' asked the latter faintly.

Spens answered calmly.

'I fancied I heard some one outside there, and desired to assure myself that there was no spy observing us. I pray you be brief with what remains to tell.'

'Few words will serve. When that letter came into my hands I thought of delivering it to him for whom it was intended. Before I could accomplish that I learned that Spens still lived.'

'What then?'

'I donned the pilgrim's garb in which you found me, and resolved to seek him through the land by night and day so that I might acquaint him with the danger which threatened him—a danger which his generous heart could never have suspected. For weeks I have been seeking him; but in vain. Three days ago sickness seized me, and when struggling to reach this house to crave help I fell where you found me, helpless and dying.'

'Have you finished?'

'I have finished. I pray you to take up the work which I have left undone. Seek the brave Knight of Halstane and acquaint him with all that I have related to you.'

'Be sure that he shall know all.'

'Then I am satisfied to die now.'

'Should you live, I will send you some token when the task is completed.'

'The Holy Mother's blessing be with you; for I can only hope for pardon through my exertions to atone for the past.'

'If there be any atonement in making Spens acquainted with these matters, you may count that it is made. And now, good night.'

'Good night.'

Ritchie caught Sir Walter's hand and pressed it to his lips with every appearance of humble gratitude. Spens somewhat abruptly drew his hand away and quitted the room.

The pilgrim lay for several minutes watching the door. A strange grin as of triumph slowly dawned upon his face, the sunken eyes brightened, and at length he gave vent to a low chuckle of impish delight.

'Won,' he muttered, 'won, by the mass. Now, let me see the loss and gain. It was he himself who has been with me. Then this is his hiding place. He did not believe what I told him, but he felt it, and betrayed himself. It will work upon him do what he will; that letter will poison his rest and make him hate the man who would have been of most service to him. Well, they will meet, perhaps fight, and one will fall. I do not care which. What next? in any case he will say nothing of Binrum for a while, and in that while the lordship will be mine.'

He drew his hand meditatively over his tangled beard and again laughed.

'What comes next? Why, that if Tushielaw be not a bigger dolt than I take him to be we may ride our quarry down ere another sunset.'

He half rose in the bed, and, bending forward toward the door, and listened.

There was no sound to indicate the approach of any one.

The pretended invalid stepped stealthily out of bed, and secured the door by placing one of the chairs against it in such a way that the latch rested upon the back and so rendered the door fast.

He stepped over to the window, threw it open, and looked out. He gave vent to a peculiar sound like the tu-whit tu-whoo of the owl.

A few minutes passed; the wind swept moaning by him and blew coldly in upon him Then from no great distance came what might have been the echo of the owlish sound.

He repeated it once, then leaned over the window ledge.

'Deil's bird,' he said in a low voice.

'Here,' responded some one from below.

'Hark, and mind well. The prey is here; the word is, 'the night is dark,' and the answer, 'dawn approaches.' Get the place surrounded and we win everything.

'A' richt.'

The false pilgrim stealthily closed the window, withrew the chair from the door, slipped into bed, and was as faint and helpless as man might be—in appearance—when the friars returned to tend him.

KASTNER'S DISTILLERY.—Our readers have already been informed, says the *Beacon*, of the seizure of this establishment. It was, however, allowed to continue in operation on the deposit of $4000 to the credit of the Receiver General, and security being given for the balance of the appraised value of the plant and stock—in all, $5,360. No decision was given in the case until recently, when the authorities decided to exact the full amount as above stated. We understand Mr. K. has paid the balance.

STEWART

HAS TO HAND

A SUPERIOR LOT OF

HARVEST GLOVES!

WM. STEWART

HAS much pleasure in informing and calling the marked attention of his friends and the public, that he has succeeded in relieving TWO WHOLESALE HOUSES of their stock of goods suited for the present season, value, at half cost, over $10,000, of Dress Goods. Hosiery, Shirting Flannels, Skirtings, and a large lot of Haberdashery,

AT HALF THE COST

OF THE GOODS LAID DOWN!

The undernoted lines will bear out his statement that he is now giving the publica benefit:

2635 yds. Dress Goods reduced to **$0.10**
Former Price, 20c.
235 do do do 0.12½
Former price, 25c
2120 do do do 0.15
Former price, 30c.
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.
215 do do do 2.00
Former price $4.00.

Choice Lot of do., do., $2.50, $3.00 and $3.50.

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

A LOT of **Ladies' Jackets,** in Meltons, Velvet, Tissue, Silk and Water-Proof Cloths, will be offered at above quotations.

A LOT of **Shirting FLANNEL** at half-price.

A LOT of **Gambroons** and **Kentucky Jeans** from 12½c per yard.

A LOT of **Hosiery,** motled and striped, from 12½c per pair.

A LOT of **Cotton Gloves** at 5c per pair.

A LOT of **Croquet Skirts and Skirtings** at prices

SPECIAL ATTENTION

DIRECTED to a lot of **Light Ground Prints,** partially damaged by water in transit, at 12½c per yard, worth 17c.

Lace and Muslin Curtains, Sheetings, Pillow Cottons, White and Coloured Quilts, Toilet Covers, Damasks, in Union and Wool, Reps, Towels, Hucks, 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.

WM. STEWART,

Wyndham Street, Guelph.

Guelph July 29, daw tf

MEDICAL HALL!

Wyndham Street, Ontario. Guelph.

JUICE OF THE GRAPE

RECEIVED direct from the Vineyard a fresh supply of the celebrated

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. dl

Removed Nearly Opposite.

C. & T. MEREDITH

HAVE REMOVED TO THE

Premises lately occupied by the Canada Clothing Store

C. & T. MEREDITH.

Where they are prepared to attend to the wants of their customers and friends. Remember No. 10. Wyndham Street. Guelph, 1st August. d

LOOK OUT!

FOR YOUR OWN

INTERESTS.

ALL in want of

BOOTS & SHOES,

That are worth calling such, can get them

At Brown's Custom Boot & Shoe STORE, GUELPH,

As all goods are made under his personal superintendence, and the material used the best that can be had in the market. With his lengthened experience in the business, together with his wonderful success in pleasing his customers, warrants him in saying without fear of contradiction that his goods are the

Neatest, Most Durable and Cheapest

That can be had in this or any other Town west of Montreal.

THOMAS BROWN,

No 2 Day's Block Wyndham-St.

Guelph, July 27. daw-tf

SALT, SALT

Wholesale and Retail at

A. H. R. KENNEDY'S

FLOUR AND FEED STORE,

UPPER WYNDHAM-ST., GUELPH

Guelph, July 24. dw-tf

NOTICE.

THE Partnership heretofore existing between Drs. Orton and Clarke is this day dissolved by fluction of time. All persons indebted to the firm will please call and settle their accounts at the office of Dr. Clarke, Quebec-st.

(Signed) WM. CLARKE. HENRY ORTON. R. ORTON.

Guelph, 17th July, 1868. dwlm

LOOK THIS WAY

A. O. BUCHAM

DESIRES 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 announcedd, 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.

—MILLINERY AND STRAW GOODS at less than one-half the former price.

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

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.

A. O. BUCHAM.

Wyndham Street, Guelph, July 25, 1868. daw tf

CO-OPERATION

Number of Co-Operative Stores in England	599
Number of Members	148,586
SHARE CAPITAL	$4,370,230
Paid for Goods in one year	15,315,440
Received for Goods in one year	16,869,185
Profit realized in one year	1,311,130

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 Balmorals at 90c.

W. MACKLIN & CO.

Guelph July 7, 1868 daw

No. 1, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

JUST ARRIVED AT

JAMES CORMACK'S

A LOT OF

Military Waterproof Overcoats

☞ Also, a Large Stock of CHEAP SUMMER SUITS FOR VOLUNTEERS.

JAMES CORMACK,

Guelph, 24th June, 1868. dw Wyndham-st. Guelph.

BEAUTIFUL ASSORTMENT

OF

DRESS SHIRTS, TIES, COLLARS, CUFFS and BRACES

AT

THE GUELPH CLOTH HALL

A. THOMSON & CO.

Guelph, 9th May 1868 d awy

FREEMAN & FREEMAN

BARRISTERS AND ATTORNEYS,

SOLICITORS IN CHANCERY,

CONVEYANCERS, &C.

S. B. FREEMAN, Q. C. | O. O. FREEMAN

CHATHAM, ONT.

Chatham, 26th May, 1868 dw

ALBION HOTEL!

St. Paul-st., MONTREAL.

MR. DECKER would say that having resumed the management of the Albion, he hopes by personal attention to merit a continuance of the patronage so liberally bestowed upon him during the last 12 years.

L. W. DECKER,

Montrea 30th March, 1868. d

Shoe Tools & Findings

A COMPLETE assortment of the latest patterns of Shoe Tools, Shoe 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 of all sizes, Squares, Carved Rules, Straight-edges, Improved Irons, English and American Crayons, Barllects' 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 Gauges, Vernier Calipers, Steel Caliper Rules, Caliper Squares, Ames' Universal Squares, Self-regulating Calipers and Dividers, Saubs 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, Addis' Carvers' Tools, Extension Lip Auger Bits, Melodeon Hardware, &c. For sale at lowest Prices.

RYAN & OLIVER

General Hardware Merchants—114 Yonge Street Toronto.

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, ¼

At E. CARROLL & CO'S

No. 2, GUELPH.

Guelph, July 18. daw tf

CLARK'S EXCELSIOR

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.

W. WARNER CLARK,

July 16th. dw Patentee, Guelph, Ont

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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, Seed Boxes & Baths
Corn Starch and Jelly Moulds
Engraved Bar Bottles
Sherry Cobbler Tubes
100 dozen New Pattern Tumblers and Wine Glasses
25 dozen Lager Beer Jugs
Glass Bowls, Cream Jugs,
Water Jugs
Tea Setts, 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, if 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 CLOTHS, 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

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DAVIDSON & CHADWICK, Agents at Guelph

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Guelph, 12th April, 1868. dw