

OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET.
WEDNESDAY EV'G. APRIL 1, 1888.

The Maiden's Choice

ON THE LAIRD OF BIRKENBROUGH
A Tale of the Covenanters.

"Your doubts are neither here nor there, remarked Sir Gilbert.
"Perhaps you will find them so when fully stated. The individual who succeeds to your title and the estate, falling in with the old will hardly take for granted that Wayland is your son by a lawful wife."
"Maybe not; but the proofs are in his hand, as ye saw by reading the paper ye burned, and the fact that he was your chief purpose in coming here the day. I will thank ye three times to make search for them, and give me them."
"I should think you would thank me to do that," cried Sir Gilbert, with a mocking laugh. "Then he immediately added, 'Sir Gilbert Barton, you should know by this time that I am not a fool.'"
"No, ye are over-much of the knife for that. But, know ye, ye be, ye daurna refuse to give me the papers."
"Dare not! Ha! ye actually threaten me, Good! I like that, and to hear more of it. I tell you at once that I won't give up the papers."
"Tak' care, Captain Allan. I'm no a man to be ill-used w' impunity. If ye refuse to deliver up the papers I shall bring a power to bear on ye that ye will be forced to yield to."
"You mean the power of the Government?"
"Yes."
"Try it if you choose, but reflect on your position before you do so. In the first place, what evidence have you to show that such papers exist? Your mother's letter, which is burned, and no one ever saw it but Helen and myself. Of course I will deny everything that she says, and where, then, is the proof to come from, of such papers being in this mansion?"
"I'll get the testimony of Walter Elliot."
"The testimony of an exile—a man ex-patriated to save him from the gallows—pooh, Sir Gilbert, you are hard driven when you talk of that."
"But what the devil does ye mean by keeping back the papers?" roared Sir Gilbert, with a burst of passion. "What could that do you? Ye darna deny, tas me at least, that ye saw, and read, and burned the letter Helen speaks of?"
"Oh, no, I don't deny it to you. On the contrary, I quite admit it. I have no doubt every word Helen has told ye is truth."
"And ye have since sought for the papers and gotten them?" exclaimed Sir Gilbert, eagerly.
"You can suppose what you please on that point," answered the other. "If that question is put to me in public, I shall deny it, as I shall deny everything. At present I may say this much to you, to your confidence, you know, that I have no doubt in the world that Richard Wayland is your son."
"Then what good is it dain' you to keep back the proofs?" roared Sir Gilbert, with renewed excitement.
"The good which REVENGE gives!" cried Allan, suddenly changing his mood, ex-asperating manner for a manifestation of the bitterest hatred and undiluted malice. "Think ye I owe you nothing for your cursed interference and persistent opposition against me and my quarrel with Walter Elliot? Think ye that, being baf-fled in my purpose regarding Helen Cringan, I will help my rival, Wayland, to an inheritance, and see the girl his wife and the mistress of Brankswood?—all, every one of you happy at my expense and by my means. No! a thousand times no! The devout wish of my heart will be gratified when ye see you all steeped in misery, crushed and destroyed. I have the means of overwhelming you in these, and doubt not I shall do it—do it to the uttermost. Your insults, your malign-ant workings against me, have been many and long accumulating, but I have the power now to repay you with heavy interest, and that power I shall use to its full extent. The time may come when I shall make it public that Richard Wayland is your son and heir, but what will be the circumstances in which this will be told? It will only be when he is convicted of the murder of Jabez Cringan, and when the scaffold waits for him. Then, when the publication will add more bitterness to your misery, the world shall know that it is the heir of Sir Gilbert Barton who is to die the death of a murderer. Now we understand each other thoroughly, and I order you to begone. Go, Sir Gilbert Barton. There is the door."
"I might have looked for this," returned the Baronet, with stern mien, while his whole frame quivered with the vehemence of his outraged heart. "The worst that I could possibly conceive ye capable of I might have confidently expected from my knowledge of ye in the past. But that ye was fit to act this heinous part, I darna believe when I scot' this interview. As ye say, 'we no thoroughly understand ane another, and it bates me to ken hoo the God o' Heavens and earth allows sic a wretch as you to be out of hell.' The worst fiend among the damned cannot be a bit waur than you, and for what purpose ye are kept out o' the only place in the universe fit for ye I canna conceive. But, Charlie Allan, let me tell ye that there is a God in Heavens and on earth, and he wadna be the righteous and holy being that he is if he suffered you to gang the length yer hellish nature desires. Ye may triumph for a time in yer iniquity, but in the end confusion and ruin will overwhelm ye, and those ye seek to injure will yet see ye as sair punished as they can desire. Ye thin ye has power now, unlimited and uncontrolled, but the day o' yer overthrow will come as sure as our red sun is sinking in the west."
"Egad, a regular conventicle sermon, roared Allan, with a loud peal of mocking, sneering laughter. "Oh, Sir Gilbert Barton, without doubt verging towards the Covenant, and Brankswood is drifting my way. You are off are you? Well take with you for comfort that the cant you have spoken makes no more impression on me than does water on a duck's back."
"These last words Charlie shouted along the passage after the retreating form of the Baronet, who was now with quick and giant strides, making his way from the mansion, and while they were in the air, he continued to walk forward in silence till he was engaged in the courtyard. Sloggon, who was still lounging there, brought his horse from the stable, and Sir Gilbert, mounting it, sped away from Birkenbrough at a fleet gallop.
TO BE CONTINUED.

THE LION OF ANGLAND.—A London letter-press. The fact exists for nothing in the world but betting on the most enormous scale. All the world owns it, not one man in fifty condemns it, or would condemn any other vice which happened to be fashionable at the moment. But do we not all hold up our hands in horror at the hell which were in fashion at the time of the third George? It is cheap to moralize on Fox and Selwyn, on the hundreds of thousands of pounds lost yearly at Crookford's and in private houses. But I declare that since I have been in England I have heard but one man speak against the turf, though the turf ruins its thousands where Crookford's and all the rest of the gambling clubs ruined their scores. High play at cards is now uncommon in any club or reputable house in England. Five guinea points at whist were called extravagant, the other day by one of the most celebrated players in London and at the clubs there is always, I believe, a fixed high water mark below that. The "plunging" is all done on the turf.

During the recent freshet in the Sauble the boom at Port Franks gave way before the immense pressure of ice and water, and in less than an hour over \$10,000 worth of timber and saw logs was swept into Lake Huron. Very fortunately it was afterwards beached in Kettle Point Bay, where it can be recovered with a moderate outlay.

Agent for Guelph.
WILLIAM SMITH, Manager Guelph Bank.

New Advertisements.

SELECT Boarding & Day School
MRS. FETTERSTONHAUGH proposes (D.V.) to open a School for young Ladies at her residence in Wyndham Street, over the Post Office, on MONDAY, 20th April.
Guelph, 27th March, 1888. dwz

School Teacher Wanted.
WANTED for School Section No. 1, Township of Erin, a 1st class male teacher, to com-mence immediately.
Erin, 9th March, 1888. 4dw

TRADE SALE.
ALEX. SCOTT,
DONALD MCKEENIE,
MAGDOLE MCKEENIE,
Erin, 9th March, 1888. 4dw

JOHN BOYD & CO.
WILL offer for sale at Public Auction
On Wednesday, April 8,
1888.

a large and well assorted stock of
GROCERIES,
WINES and LIQUORS,
SUGARS, TOBACCOES,
TEAS, RICE, FRUIT,
COFFEES, and general Goods required by the Trade.

LIQUORS:
PORT and SHERRY WINES,
CHAMPAGNE,
Cases BRANDY,
DISKUPPER'S GIN,
BERNARD'S OLD TOM,
JAMAICA RUM,
BLOOD'S DUBLIN PORTER, Pints and Quarts,
DOW'S ALE.

CIGARS:
HAVANNA, GERMAN and DOMESTIC,
various brands and qualities.

FISH:
CODFISH, HERRINGS, MACKEREL,
LOBSTERS, SAIDINES, &c.

Sale at half-past Ten A. M.
Toronto, March 20, 1888. daw 2

NEW BOOKS!

Spiritual Wives.
By William Hepworth.

Massacre of St. Bartholomew
By Henry White.

The Irish in America.
By John Francis Maguire, M. P.

NORWOOD.
By Henry Ward Beecher.

Five Hundred Pounds.
A NOVEL. By A. Barrister.

DR. SMITH'S Smaller His-tory of England.

At Day's Bookstore,
Opposite the Market, Guelph.

Guelph, March 27, 1888. daw 1f

DOMINION HOTEL

GEORGE BLACK
BEGS to inform his friends and the public that he has opened the above Hotel, in the BRICK HOUSE, MACDONNELL-ST.

A few doors above Higginbotham's Drug Store and immediately opposite Messrs. Sharpe's Seed Store. There is a good stable attached to the house, with good and commodious stabling. Every attention will be paid to customers in order to secure their comfort and convenience.
Guelph, March 6, 1888. daw 3m

FRESH ARRIVAL

Messina Oranges
AND LEMONS.
THIS subscriber has this day received 20 boxes of choice Messina Oranges and 50 boxes choice Lemons. Also, a large supply of

Fresh Cocoa Nuts,
Pea Nuts,
Turkey Dates,
Together with a general assortment of

Figs, Filberts, Almonds,
Brazil Nuts, Prunes,
Sardines, Lobsters, &c.

Also, 20 barrels of choice CRANBERRIES, and a general assortment of APPLES.
Orders from Fruit-Dealers respectfully solicited. All orders from the country will receive prompt attention, and Fruit warranted in good order.

I intend to keep a large supply of FRUIT on hand during the fruit season. We are also determined to sell Fruit as low, if not lower (as usual), than any Fruit dealer in the Dominion. As we only sell Fruit by wholesale, it is impossible for our customers to have any choice fruit picked in our boxes, there-fore dealers in fruit can depend on obtaining first-class Fruit at all times from us, and at as low a price as possible, as we purchase at all times from the best of the first hands in New York and Boston markets.

A. MILLIGAN & CO.
Nor. 1, 2 and 3, City Hall Buildings,
Toronto, 30th March, 1888. d.

THE BARCLAY SEWING MACHINE.

WITHOUT any exception, the Barclay Sewing Machine, manufactured by the British American Sewing Machine Company,
AT PARIS, ONTARIO,
is the best in the Dominion of Canada for general purposes. An examination is merely requested, which will be to the advantage of those intending to purchase. All machines warranted.
Also, agent for the D. L. L. & S. M. CHINESE, one of the best machines in the market.
Apply to
MOSES BECHTEL,
General Agent for the County of Wellington,
Blair Post Office.
Agent for Guelph: MRS. HUNTER, Fancy Store, Market Square,
Guelph, Jan. 22, 1888. dw

Wool, Hide and Leather
DEPOT.
No. 4, Day' Old Block, Gordon Street.
Guelph, July 31, 1886 (dw D. MOLTON

TEA COMPANY

A LARGE SUPPLY
OF THIS
CELEBRATED TEA
FOR FAMILY USE.

Just received at th

MEDICAL HALL.
N. HIGGINBOTHAM,
Sole Agent for Guelph.
Guelph, 19th March, 1888. dw

FOR SALE.

200 lbs. Honey, Strained or Comb.
500 lbs. Boston Canned Peaches
200 lbs. Keiller's Dundee Marmalade.
50 lbs. Red and Black Currant Jelly.
100 bushels Dried Apples.
French Plums and Prunes.
Anchovy Paste.
Bloaters Paste.
Maple Sugar and Amber Syrup.

AT JOHN A. WOOD'S.
Guelph, March 24th, 1888. dw

POTATOES!

Potatoes of all Kinds.
Wholesale and Retail.

AT WEBSTER'S
Grain and Flour Store,
West Market Square, Guelph.
Guelph, March 20, 1888. do 1f

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1864.

In the matter of Andrew Lightbody,
AN INSOLVENT.
SALE OF LANDS.
NOTICE is hereby given that in pursuance of the powers vested in me, as assignee of the estate and effects of the above named Insolvent, I will offer for sale by Public Auction, at the Court House, in the Town of Guelph,
On Friday, 22nd May, 1888,
at 12 o'clock, noon all the estate, right, title and interest of the said Insolvent, in and to the following property, namely:
1st—Lots numbers 48, 49, 50, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

Insolvent Act of 1864.
In the matter of Thomas M. Grier,
AN INSOLVENT.
COUNTY OF WELLINGTON, BY virtue of PROCEEDING ONTARIO, the author-ity vested in me as Assignee of the Estate of the above-named Insolvent, under the provisions of the above Act, I shall offer for sale at the Town Hall, in the Village of Morriston, in the said County,
Saturday, 11th April, 1888
at two o'clock in the afternoon of that day, all the right, title and interest of the said Insolvent, in that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Village of Morriston, Township of Peel, County of Wellington, Province of Ontario, composed of Village Lot number 1810, on the East side of Queen Street, in Donald McEwen's Survey, in the Village of Morriston, bounded and bounded as is described in a deed from John M. Schlemmer and wife to the said Insolvent, made the 28th February, 1888, with Dwelling House, Barn, Stable and outbuildings thereon, and a good garden, with well of the acre.

TERMS - - - - CASH.
Further particulars may be had on the premises, or at the office of Messrs. McLennan & O'Connor, Barristers, Guelph, or at the office of the undersigned, with whom all hypothecary creditors are required to file their claims within six days of the day of sale.
THOMAS SAUNDERS,
Official Assignee.
Guelph, 7th January, 1888. wtd

NEW Oyster Rooms

VALENTINE WALD
BEGS to announce to the public that he has fitted up Oyster Rooms in connection with his Hotel, on MACDONNELL STREET.
The very best of Liquors, and choicest Cigars will always be kept.
The Rooms are under the superintendence of Mr. R. McEwen, whose courteous attention, as well as his thorough knowledge of the business, will insure satisfaction in all cases.
The very best of Oysters always on hand, and served up in all styles at short notice.
ROCK and JERRY, and all kinds of Pastry Dishes prepared in the most approved manner.
Guelph, 27th December, 1887. dwdm

REMOVAL

LEMON & PETERSON
BARRISTERS and Attorneys at Law, Solicitor in Chancery, and Notaries Public.
OFFICE: over the Bank of Commerce, opposite the Market, Guelph.

Try those Splendid New Figs

AT THIRTY CENTS PER BOX.
Oranges and Lemons!
Walnuts, Filberts, Almonds, Chocolate Creams, Gumdrops and every other Nicety.
Well, but where is all this to be got? Why, where would you expect to get them first-class but at
Guelph, 27th March, 1888. dw

H. BERRY'S.
NEW COAL YARD
IN GUELPH.

BLACKSMITH'S, FOUNDRY AND HOUSE COAL.
THE Subscriber's attention having been drawn to the want of a first-class Coal Yard in the flourishing Town of Guelph, he is determined to supply this want as generally felt. Having made satisfactory arrangements with extensive Colonies in Pennsylvania to keep me constantly supplied with all descriptions of pure coal, and as I shall devote my attention exclusively to the business, I am prepared to give perfect satisfaction in quality and price to all my customers. All descriptions of Coal on hand, of excellent quality, and at prices which cannot be undersold.
Yard, near the MERCURY OFFICE, Macdonnell-St., Guelph and in rear of Mr. Horsman's Hardware Establishment.
P. S.—Also, Agent for C. Wilson's Scales, Toronto.
Guelph Coal Yard, 6th March, 1888. dw 4

JOHN GREER.

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BRITANNA HOUSE
A Splendid Assortment of
SPRING FURNISHINGS
2 & 3 PLY CARPETS,
Tapestry, Brussels, Hemp, Felt, &c.
Muslin and Lace Curtains, Damasks, Fringes, &c.
HEFFERNAN BROS.
Guelph, 25th March, 1888. d

The Cheapest Spot in Guelph

FOR EVERY DESCRIPTION OF
CLOTHS, CLOTHING
HATS AND CAPS,
IS AT THE
THE GUELPH CLOTH HALL
A. THOMSON & CO.
Guelph, March 17, 1888. daw y

FOR WALL PAPER!

ROBT. CUTHBERT'S.
Guelph, 9th March, 1888. dw

Commercial Union Assurance Company

CHIEF OFFICES—19 and 20 CORNHILL, LONDON, ENGLAND.
CAPITAL - - - - £2,500,000.
Fire Department.
THE success which has attended the Company's operations has been such as fully to realize the most sanguine expectations of the Directors, who have resolved to extend the business more widely, and now offer to the Canadian Public PERFECT SECURITY guaranteed by large sub-scribed capital and Invested Funds.
PROMPT SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS.—The Directors and General Agents, being gentlemen largely engaged in commerce, will take liberal and business like view of all questions coming before them.
Life Department.
Volunteers assured in this Company, are permitted, without extra charge, to do duty on the Frontier, and to engage in repelling marauding attacks.
Eighty per cent of the Profits of the Whole Life and Annuity business are divided among participating Policy Holders.
Claims are paid one month after Proof of Death.
By a recent Act of Parliament a Wife can now hold a Policy on the life of her Husband free from all other claims.
Office—385 and 387 St. Paul St., Montreal.
FREDERICK COLE, Secretary, | Inspector of Agencies—T. C. LIVINGSTON, P.L.S., Upper Canada.
Guelph, April 1st, 1888. Agents for Guelph.

Boarding and Day School

for Young Ladies.
CHURCH-ST. - - - GUELPH.
MISS WRIGHTMAN begs to announce that her school will re-open (D.V.) on the 6th of January, 1888, for two or three boarders.
Guelph, 20th December 1887. w1

TO CONSUMPTIVES.