

MONTHLY CATTLE FAIRS.

ARRISTON—Friday before the Guelph Fair.
DARTON—The Saturday before Guelph.
ELORA—Monday before Elora fair.
GUELPH—First Wednesday in each month.
LONDON—Thursday before the Guelph fair.
NEW HAMBURG—Friday before the Guelph fair.
BRANTFORD—First Tuesday in each month.
WATERLOO—Second Tuesday in each month.
MOUNT FOREST—Third Wednesday in each month.
HANOVER—Monday before Durham.
DURHAM—Tuesday before Mount Forest.
FERRIS—Thursday following Mount Forest.
ORANOVILLE—Second Thursday in January.
MOSO MILLS—Third Wednesday in January.
ESBI—First Monday in January, April, July and October.
MASONVILLE—First Tuesday in February, May, August and November.
LITTON—First Friday in each month.
HILLSBURG—Second Tuesday in January.
MOOREFIELD—Monday before Guelph.
HAMILTON—Crystal Palace Grounds, the day after Guelph.

The Rival Clansmen

A Scottish Vendetta.

CHAPTER XVI.

NEED GORDON'S SECRET LIES—A NEW CONSPIRACY.

When Hector and Gordon again looked up—tears dimmed their eyes—Roderick M'Leod stood before them, uttering deep and loud lamentations as he saw that the Chief he loved so well was no more. And then the shouting of the advancing band was for a moment hushed as he turned towards them, and cried aloud in mournful accents—

"Clansmen of M'Leod!—kinsmen, sound the death chant! Our Chief is dead, and with his dying breath he thanked God that he had been spared to see us again! His thoughts were with us; let ours be with him."

Then did they burst forth again—not the loud triumphant cry now, but shouts of grief, deep moans, and lamentations, as the M'Leods clustered round the two young men, who still bore in their arms the fast stiffening body of their Chief. "Ochone achree! Ochone—ochone—ochone achree! And is the great M'Leod no more? And is his voice hushed forever and his eagle eye closed? Ochone achree. Woe is this night in the house of M'Leod!"

Then did they burst forth with a strangely weird and plaintive tone melody—an air solemn but inspiring—in which all joined, each face lit up with a heroic devotion blending with an expression of melancholy sadness. Then as the last sound floated away on the air and the final echo sent back its answering chorus from the far distant hills, all uncovered and stood with bowed heads and reverent bearing around all that was mortal of Malcolm M'Leod. And when again the bonnets were replaced and the heads raised, the traces of tears which had coursed down browned and furrowed cheeks thick and fast were easily to be distinguished.

But it is necessary that we should here explain, to the very few who have already surmised it, who these were who had approached with the sounds of joy and triumph, and who now stood by the dead body of the Chief. They were, then, a number of those who had been given up by our friends for lost in the dark waters of Loch Maree. They had had a narrow escape from the fate which was believed to have befallen them, but still they had escaped.

The boat farthest to the westward had not been so completely settled as the others, and the clay which had been stuffed into the holes made in the bottom by the Caterans had kept firmly in its place, the result being that by constant being its occupants, amongst whom was Roderick M'Leod, were able to keep the boat afloat, although it lay almost level with the water.

When they saw the other boats go down, and realised the terrible nature of the catastrophe which had occurred, and when they saw the Caterans dancing on the shore with levish glee at the success of their diabolical work, they resolved to head for some of the isles in the centre of the loch, as they were afraid that on the side they were approaching some of the outlaws might be lying in ambush ready to pounce upon them whenever they should land. After extraordinary efforts they succeeded in landing upon the nearest isle, where they resolved to conceal themselves until night, when they expected to be able to make for the shore. From this spot they saw M'Leod and his two companions pass along by south shore, pursued by the Caterans; but, as they could render no assistance to their Chief, they made no demonstration. But after waiting some time longer they saw to their joy, on the north side of the loch, several figures moving along dressed in the tartan of the M'Leods. They at once signalled them, and the reply was such as to remove any doubt as to their really being their kinsmen. Eagerly those on the isle set about patching up their boat, and in a short time had launched her and embarked, and, although every minute in imminent danger of sinking, they were successful in reaching land and in joining their comrades.

It was then they realised the full extent of the loss sustained by the clan. As they stood there they numbered only twenty men—all that were saved besides the Chief, his son, and Gordon, out of over forty who had embarked in the boats. Those whom Roderick and his companions had seen had saved themselves by swimming to the north shore, which was nearest to them—the other shore, which M'Leod and the others had made for, being much more distant. Roderick then told them that the Chief, with Hector and Gordon, had escaped from the loch, but they were pursued by the Caterans, and immediately, exhausted as they were by the gallant attempt resolved to make with all speed for Castle M'Leod. The boat could not be trusted to carry them across the loch again, and as there was danger of being met by the Caterans if they passed the upper end of the loch, they at once started westward; and as this involved a journey of nearly forty miles before they could reach Castle M'Leod besides having to ford the river Ewe, they did not expect to reach their destination before the afternoon had far advanced. They pressed swiftly on, for although that portion which had escaped in the boat succeeded in retaining most of their arms, yet the others were totally unarmed, and besides, being so much fatigued, they felt that could not make a good defence in case of being attacked, and therefore wisely used every effort to escape from the vicinity of the Caterans and those whom they believed to be their allies—the M'Kenzies.

MANUFACTURE OF COCOA.—"We will now give an account of the process adopted by Messrs. James Epps & Co., manufacturers of diabetic articles, at their works in the Easton Road, London."—See article in Cassell's Household Guide.

GREAT MAMMOTH SALE

GEORGE JEFFREY, WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH,

Offers the Balance of his Stock of Fancy and Staple Dry Goods at an Immense Reduction!

Previous to Stock-taking. Everything must be Cleared Out before the 1st of March.

Remnants of Table Linens, Remnants of Prints, Remnants of Sheetings, Remnants of Towellings, Remnants of White Cottons,

TO BE RUSHED OFF AT ANY PRICE.

FURS This is the last chance for Cheap Furs, as the balance must be disposed of Regardless of Cost.—A few of those Cheap Dress Goods still on hand, but going fast. Remember this is the Great Remnant Sale of the Season. Parties looking for bargains should call at once.

GEORGE JEFFREY, GUELPH

ALTERATION OF PREMISES

GOODS SELLING REGARDLESS OF COST.

RICHARD CLAYTON

IN ORDER TO CLEAR OUT THE BALANCE OF HIS IMMENSE STOCK OF

DRY GOODS

"HAS RESOLVED"

On and after Saturday, the 3rd of January, 1874,

TO OFFER FOR ONE MONTH HIS ENTIRE STOCK

REGARDLESS OF COST

THE GOODS HAVE ALL BEEN BOUGHT AT THE LOWEST CASH PRICES, AND IT WILL WELL REPAY ANY ONE TO

SEE OUR GOODS BEFORE PURCHASING.

NOTE THE FOLLOWING LINES:

- Good Factory Cotton for 9 cents; Good Bleached Cotton for 8 cents; Horrockses Cotton for 10 cents. See them Scarlet Flannel for 23 cents. White Flannel for 25 cents. Shirting Flannels, good patterns, for 26 cents a yard, well worth 45 cents. Winceys for 9c, rare value.

Dress Goods in Endless Variety at any price.

MANTLES AND SHAWLS WILL BE SOLD TO SUIT EVERY ONE.

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Ladies, the above Goods can all be seen by calling at

THE CASH STORE,

Upper Wyndham Street.

No goods advertised but can be seen. Give us a call.

RICHARD CLAYTON,

Guelph, Jan. 3, 1874 UPPER WYNDHAM STREET.

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J. E. McELDERRY

2 DAY'S BLOCK,

Has now on hand the finest stock of

NEW CROP TEAS GUELPH

- Extra Choice Young Hyson at 75c per lb. (extra value). Fine Young Hyson at 50c per lb. (very strong). Extra Fine English Breakfast Tea, black at 75c per lb. Choice Black Tea, strong and fine flavor, at 50c per lb. A fresh lot of our Famous Mixed Tea at 50c per lb.

The usual liberal reduction allowed to parties buying by the box. All goods warranted to please or the money refunded.

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GUELPH COAL DEPOT

C. Kloepper

Returns thanks for the liberal orders received since he opened his Coal yard, and begs to state that he will always keep on hand

HARD and SOFT COAL

OF THE BEST QUALITY

At the Lowest Prices.

Coal delivered in any part of the Town.

Yard next to Bell's Organ Factory

Orders left at Mr. Horsman's Store will receive prompt attention.

Guelph, Nov. 18, 1873. C. KLOEPPER, dsm

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\$15,000 worth of Dry Goods and Groceries to be disposed of in six weeks. Sale to commence on Monday, the 6th inst.

MR. G. B. FRASER

Wyndham Street, Guelph.

Being about to leave Guelph to seek a home in the far West, I would cordially thank my many kind friends for their continued patronage for the past fifteen years, and as he is likely to be but a short time longer in their midst, his stock will consequently be sold off at such bargain prices as will amply repay all who have patronized him. All goods will be marked in plain figures and sold at one price. No haggling or bargaining. A special discount will be allowed on purchases over \$25. This sale is genuine, the proprietor having to give up possession of his store on the 1st of May next.

G. B. FRASER

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Family Sewing Machine (single thread) Hand Lock Stitch (double thread) No. 1 Foot Power. No. 2, for heavy work. Furnished with plain tables, hani, or Cabinet Cases, as required.

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Fine Brown and Blue Beaver and Melton

OVERCOATINGS

MADE TO ORDER.

Also on hand, Readymade

HUDSON'S BAY OVERCOATS

IN SEVERAL STYLES.

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Dividends are paid every January, April, July and October.

We present Pass Books to any that want them.

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John A. McMillan, Insolvent.

The whole of the Estate belonging to the Insolvent is now being sold at a Tremendous Sacrifice.

BOOTS AND SHOES

20 per cent. less than cost.

Intending purchasers will consult their own interests by giving us a call.

NOTE THE PRICES: Men's Cowhide Boots \$2 00 Women's Pebble Ball 0 75 Boys' Cowhide Boots 1 50 Women's Prunella Ball 0 75

Country dealers treated liberally.

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CHOICE CONFECTIONERY AND BISCUITS, Alma Block, Guelph.

Invites the attention of the Trade to the Superior Quality of Goods now produced at his Manufactory. Having introduced many new improvements, and employing only first-class workmen, and possessing every facility, he is prepared to supply the trade with a class of goods unsurpassed by any manufacturer in

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A Large Stock of Choice and Favorite Brand Cigars.

His Biscuits took the first prize over all others at the London Western his was the only place where they were entered for competition. All Goods carefully packed and shipped with dispatch.