

RETIRING FROM BUSINESS!

**TREMENDOUS CLEARING SALE OF THE LARGE STOCK OF
DRY GOODS, MILLINERY, READY-MADE CLOTHING, &C.,
BELONGING TO HOGG & CHANCE, GUELPH.**

The Co-partnership Dissolved! Mr. HOGG retires from the Business!

The Stock to be Cleared Off at Cost Prices, commencing on Monday, the 9th of December.

GREAT BARGAINS! Families ought to take advantage of this rare opportunity of laying in their Winter supplies at once, as this Stock is very large and complete in every Department. **Actual Cost Prices** will be asked for all the Goods, and no second price or bantering. **Store will be open at 9 o'clock in the morning, and close at 6 o'clock in the evening during the sale. All Goods will be sold for Cash only.**

Guelph, 30th November, 1867.

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HOGG & CHANCE.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Subscribers wishing to take the **EVENING MERCURY** may by the week, or for a longer period, will please leave their names at the office, and it will be regularly delivered at their residences. Subscribers whose papers are not regularly left by the Carrier Boys, will please call at the office at once and inform us of the neglect.

Guelph Evening Mercury

OFFICE:.....MACDONNELL STREET.

FRIDAY EV'NG, DECEMBER 13.

NORAH CUSHALEEN

OR THE
HAUNTED CASTLE.

The incidents of our story being now all related, it but remains that we should, by way of winding up, say a few words regarding the after history of the various personages who have figured in it.

And first, our readers will be glad with us to get rid of the bad group—of O'Brady, Mike O'Hafferty and his two hopeful sons. These four worthies then left Dundarra before dawn on the occasion when they were so signally baffled by Terry, and went in company to America. Mike and his two sons turned up in the back woods, and there led a solitary and savage life; but O'Brady was not heard of after he departed with them to the interior of the country. It was darkly hinted by the other settlers that the ex-factor had met with foul play at the hands of his associates, who had murdered him for the gold he had in his possession. As it is more than twenty years since they left Dundarra, Mike will probably be lying under the tall trees of the prairie, but his son may still be roaming, ~~in the~~ through the primeval forests.

It is several years now since honest old Michael Cushaleen went to his long rest. He spent a quiet, peaceful, and contented evening of life at Mountjoy, and ere he departed saw Terry married to a purty, well-behaved colleen, and even dandled their children on his knee.

Norah resided on the farm with her father and brother, preferring their society to the lonely pomp of Blantire Castle. Father Murphy was faithful to the charge he had received and accepted from Malvyn, and saw to the education of the youthful heir, who, under judicious training, grew up to be a fine, manly, generous hearted, and virtuous youth. At the request of the priest, the dilapidated estate of Blantire was put under the management of Henry Asplin, who was already proving himself a valuable agent to Fergus Ormond, and promoting in a signal manner not only the interest of the proprietor, but also the comfort and prosperity of the tenants on the estate of Dundarra.

Henry accepted the additional charge, and did his best to get the estate, so fearfully mortgaged by Malvyn, redeemed and put under proper agricultural treatment, so that in a few years it was not only clear of encumbrance, but was one of the best properties in the district.

Squire Kendal, the hot, hasty, prideful, but withal good-hearted Irish squire, has been for years sleeping in the family vault. He left the world hated by none, loved by many and deeply mourned by his gentle hearted and affectionate daughter, Mary. Peace to his memory. With all his faults, we wish that Ireland possessed many such as he. Before he closed his eyes on this world, he saw in a burly-headed, blue-eyed, laughing-faced rogue at Dundarra, the heir to the Kendal name and estate. This was the second son to Fergus and Mary, who promises to be a worthy successor of the good old man.

The married life of Mr. and Mrs. Ormond was calm and happy. Their love, which had been true and tried, continued to grow with a bright lustre, and the years of their lives glided on amid usefulness and enjoyment. They were happy in themselves, in their children, and in their tenants; and at this moment there is not a household in the land whose members are better loved or more deeply respected.

Two years after the scenes of the last chapter, Henderwick, the old miser of Ballybrogan died, and left Henry Asplin and Amelia free to wed. So the fair girl was brought from Scotland, and the loving pair were quietly united; and Fergus built for them a beautiful villa at the end of the park, not far from the Manor House of Dundarra. We need hardly say that no one ever dreamt that the active, energetic, and conscientious factor was the once notorious and dreaded Captain Jack.

And last, though not least, we have to say a word regarding Andrew Donaldson, the faithful servant of Fergus. He quitted Scotland, dearly as he loved it, that he might remain in the service of his kind master, who knew his worth, and fully appreciated him. He still lives at Dundarra, though his hair is now tinged with grey, and his shadow is beginning to fall eastward. But his residence in Ireland has not given him the slightest touch of the brogue—he still speaks in all the breadth and purity of the Scottish language.

We had almost forgot to notice the fate of Dash. He died some years ago, full of age and honour, and was not buried as his kind dogs are buried, for his master had him stuffed, and he stands in the entrance hall at Dundarra; and often, by Andrew and Fergus too, are his deeds of faithfulness and devotion rehearsed.

The ruined castle still stands in solitary silence among the mountains, and the peasant are firm as ever in the belief that it is haunted. Generally once a year Fergus and Mary pay a visit to it, and on these occasions Terry and Andrew accompany them, when the scenes of their past history, with which it is so closely associated, are remembered and some of them heartily laughed over.

Not many months ago the valley of Dundarra was full of merriment and gladness, for it was the nuptial day of young Malvyn Blantire and pretty Mary Ormond. The happy pair were very young, but their hearts were full of pure glowing love for each other and every one rejoiced at an event which united the families of Ormond and Blantire.

We let the curtain fall to the sound of marriage bells—it rose in darkness and tempest; but it descends in sunshine and peace.

Christmas Presents.

To the Inhabitants of Guelph and surrounding Country.

FOR a very large assortment of the cheapest and best

FANCY GOODS

And Christmas Presents call

AT SHEWAN'S Bookstore

Next door to Hugh Walker's Grocery Store.

M. S. has imported some of the most choice articles of the above direct from England, Germany and France. Call and see.
IT-WALL PAPER selling at a sacrifice. Must make room for the Spring Stock. Call and look at the endless variety. The trade supplied on the most liberal terms.
Guelph, 4th Dec, 1867.

MRS. HUNTER'S

FANCY STORE,

West Market Square.

JUST received, a large lot of FANCY GOODS, all kinds, suitable for PRESENTS for

Christmas & New Year's

She has the LARGEST and BEST ASSORTMENT in town of

Berlin & Fancy Wools

Stamping for Braiding and Embroidery.

MRS. HUNTER.

Guelph, 11th Dec., 1867.

NOTICE

To Debtors & Creditors.

THE undersigned Executors for the Estate of the late Alexander McKinnon, 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 only person authorized to receive money for the said Estate, and all parties are forbidden paying 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,
ARCH. THOMSON, Executors
JAS. W. KENNEDY,
Erin, Nov. 16, 1867. 734-w3m

MUTUAL

Fire Insurance Comp'y

TOWNSHIP OF GUELPH.

Annual Meeting

THE Annual Meeting of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of the Township of Guelph will be held at Blyth's Hotel, Malden,

On Saturday, 4th January, 1868

at 2 o'clock p. m., for the election of office-bearers and other business.

W. WHITELAW, Secretary.
Guelph, 4th December, 1867. w4

Pocket Diaries

FOR 1868.

A Large Assortment

of Pocket Dairies for 1868

AT DAY'S BOOKSTORE.

Opposite the Market, Guelph.

Guelph, 28th November, 1867. dw

CUTTERS

ROBT. PARKER

IN returning thanks for the liberal support he has received during the past three years, here to inform his old customers that he will do his best to continue to merit their confidence and patronage. He has now on hand a large stock of

CUTTERS and SLEIGHS

which he can safely recommend to intending purchasers, for as regards style, excellence of material and good workmanship, they cannot be surpassed by any made in Guelph.

All parties are requested to examine the work for themselves before purchasing elsewhere.

Repairing, re-trimming and repainting done as usual on short notice.

Don't forget the stand—opposite the Court House.

ROBERT PARKER.

Guelph, 4th December, 1867. w

GEORGE PALMER

BARRISTER and Attorney-at-Law, Solicitor in Chancery, Notary Public and Conveyancer. Office, No. 2, Day's Block, Guelph.



TEAS. TEAS.

A LARGE Lot just received of New Crop

TEAS.

A SPLENDID ARTICLE.

AT 75 CENTS,

Equal to any sold at 87 1/2 Cents!

E. CARROLL & CO.

No. 2 Day's Block.

Guelph, Nov. 13, 1867. dawtf

Medical Dispensary

JUST received at the Medical Dispensary, a large supply of

Tooth, Nail and Hair Brushes,

TOILET SOAPS, &c.

Also, the largest and best assorted stock of English and French **PERFUMERY** in town.

COAL OIL

of the best quality always on hand.

E. HARVEY

Opposite the English Church, Wyndham-st, Guelph, Ontario.

Guelph, 11th Dec, 1867. dw

Gold & Silver Plating

A. HOWIE & CO.

Royal Hotel Buildings, James-st.

HAMILTON.

Watches, Chains, Rings Penell Cases, and all kinds of Jewelry Plated in Gold.

Tea Sets, Cake Baskets, Knives, Forks, Spoons, &c., Plated at reasonable rates.

Also, Door Plates & Carriage Trimmings

of every description done to order with neatness and dispatch.

Orders from a distance punctually attended to.

HAMILTON, November 23, 1867. dw3m

CROSSE & BLACKWELL'S

English Goods!

Lea & Perrin's Worcestershire Sauce
Harvey's Sauce,
Anchovy Sauce,
Mushroom Ketchup,
French and Spanish Olives,
Dindie Marmalade,
Black and Red Currant Jelly,
Anchovy and Blotter Paste,
Green gages, Damsons, Cherries, Plums,
Peaches, Gooseberries and Tomatoes.

At JOHN A. WOOD'S.

Guelph, November, 28, 1867. dw

CHRISTMAS HO!

Wholesale, Wholesale!

CONFECTIONERY.

DEALERS buy your confectionery from the undersigned, who has reduced his prices as low as any house in the Dominion. Call and see before purchasing elsewhere, as the Goods cannot be beat, and by buying here you save freight, packing cases, breakage, &c.

FANCY GOODS!

A large lot of Fancy Goods on hand, and a lot daily expected direct from Paris.

Wholesale Agent for Payne's celebrated Corn Candy.

H. BERRY.

Guelph, 6th December, 1867. dw

STRAYED PIG.

CAME on the subscriber's premises, about two months ago, a large white hog. The owner on moving property and paying expenses can take it away.

JOHN RENNIE, Guelph Township.

Guelph, 4th Dec. 1867. w3

THOS. GRIFFITH & CO.,

Wholesale Grocers,

39 Front-st., TORONTO,

ARE now receiving Ex. S. S. Nova Scotia, Moravian, and other vessels,

Boxes New Valencia Raisins

" New Layer do

" Very Prime West End

Layer Raisins

Bb's English Crushed Sugar

" New Currants

Bags and Pockets choice Java

Coffee

Or Casks and Cases Dunville

Irish Whiskey

Cases Kinahan's L. L. do

Chests, Half Chests, and Caddies

New Season, Ping Suey,

Young Hysons, Gunpowders,

Congous, Souchongs, Color'd

and Uncolored Japans, Im-

perials, Twankay, Orange,

Pekoe, &c., &c.

Bags superior Arracan Rice

Cases English Thumb Blue

Bb's Brazil Nuts

Bags S. S. Almonds

" Walnuts

" Filberts,

Cases Pearl Tapioca,

" Thin's Pickles

" Booth's, Betts' and Bar-

clay's Old Tom

John Bull Bitters

Crates Wine, Beer and Whiskey

Bottles

Cases Orange, Lemon & Citron

Peel

Boxes Valencia and Jordan Al-

monds

Cases Table Salt, in glass jars

do Liqueurice, &c. &c.

AND DAILY EXPECTED

Crosse & Blackwell's Pickles, Sauces,

Preserves.

The above, together with a large stock of

GENERAL GROCERIES,

INCLUDING

Raw and Refined Sugars,

Bright and Dark Tobaccos,

(in Caddies, Butts and j Butts), and

WINE & LIQUORS,

COMPRISING

Pale and Dark Brandies,

Hollands and Old Tom Gin,

Jamaica Rum

Pale and Deep Golden Sherries,

Champagnes, &c.,

Will be sold at unusually Low Prices to the Trade.

TERMS LIBERAL.

THOMAS GRIFFITH & CO.,

WHOLESALE GROCERS,

39 Front Street.

Toronto, Nov. 1, 1867. dw-2m

MEDICAL HALL,

GUELPH.

JUST RECEIVED!

At the Medical Hall a large assortment of

LAMPS, SHADES,

WICKS, & C.

—ALSO—

No. 1 Coal Oil

FOR FAMILY USE.

Perfectly clear and free from smell.

N. HIGINBOTHAM.

Guelph, 30th Nov, 1867. 4

XXX OYSTERS!

ARRIVING daily at WALKER'S,

Yarmouth Bloaters,

Kipperd Salmon Trout,

Smoked Salmon

Pickled Salmon,

Fresh Salmon, in cans.

HUGH WALKER.

Wyndham Street, Guelph.

AMERICAN WATCHES!

A FRESH STOCK OF AMERICAN

WATCHES

JUST RECEIVED.

D. SAVAGE.

Guelph, November 18, 1867. dw

IMMENSE SALE!

GREAT SALE OF

TEAS, SUGARS,

Fruits, Spices, Wines, &c.,

AT THE STORES OF

JAS. MASSIE & CO.

All General Groceries for this Month

REDUCED IN PRICE!

THE WHOLE STOCK TO BE CLEANED OUT.

Crockery, Glassware, China,

VASES, FANCY GOODS, &c., to be

SOLD OFF AT COST!

Retiring from this Branch of Business.

J. MASSIE & CO.

Guelph 19th August 1867

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

GREAT REDUCTION IN PRICE

of the

AMERICAN WATCH

Cheapest Watches in the World.

The Watches are of all grades, from the finest Gold Watch made, adapted to any climate from the Tropics to the Poles, at a price to suit the wealthy connoisseur or for presentation, to the Cheap Silver Lever, strong and serviceable, regulated to minutes, suitable to the Mechanic and Farmer, and quite as low in price as any moderate quality Swiss Watch. Our grades of **Extra Heavy Cases** Watches for Railway Engineers and Lumbermen deserve particular attention in Canada, as nothing can equal them for the purpose. Our leading Watches in 18 **Caret Gold Cases** for Ladies and Private Gentlemen, at medium prices, will also be found very desirable.

We are frequently asked why we don't advertise prices. We reply that as we only supply the trade and as our Watches are now kept by most respectable houses, the public can rely on being served at a fair advance on the Manufacturer's List. Our trade marks are **AMERICAN WATCH CO., APPLETON, TRACY & CO., WALTHAM WATCH CO., P. S. BARTLETT, WM. ELLERY, HOME WATCH CO.** Guaranteed in all cases by special certificate (except the Home Co., which is warranted by the seller. The purchaser should always require the guarantee, as there are Swiss counterfeits for sale in some places.

ROBBINS & APPLETON, New York,

ROBERT WILKES, Toronto and Montreal. } General Agents.

D. SAVAGE, Agent, Guelph.

December 10th, 1867. dw

Four Corners' Hotel,