

TIRED MOTHERS.
 A little elbow leans upon your knee,
 Your tired knee that has so much to bear,
 A child's dear eyes are looking lovingly
 From underneath a thatch of tangled hair.
 Perhaps you do not heed the velvet touch
 Of warm, moist fingers holding yours so
 tight;
 You do not prize this blessing overmuch;
 You almost are too tired to pray to night.
 But it is blessedness! A year ago
 I did not see it as I do to-day—
 We are all so dull and thankless, and too
 slow
 To catch the sunshine till it slips away;
 And now it seems surpassing strange to me,
 That while I wore the badge of mother-
 hood I did not kiss more oft and tenderly
 The little child that brought me only good.
 And if, some night, when you sit down to
 rest,
 You miss this elbow from your tired knee—
 This restless, curly head from off your breast
 This hissing tongue that chatters con-
 stantly;
 If from your own the dimpled hands had
 slipped,
 And ne'er would nestle in your palm again;
 If the white feet into the grave had tripped;
 I could not blame you for your heartache
 then.
 I wonder so that mothers ever fret
 At little children clinging to their gown;
 Or that the footprints, when the days are
 wet,
 Are ever black enough to make them
 frown.
 If I could find a little muddy boot,
 Or cap, or jacket on my chamber floor;
 If I could kiss a rosy, restless foot,
 And hear it patter in my home once more;
 If I could mend a broken cart to-day,
 To-morrow make a kite to reach the sky—
 There is no woman in God's world could say
 She was more blissfully content than I.
 But, ah! the dainty pillow next my own
 Is never rumpled by a shining head;
 My singing birdling from its nest has flown
 The little boy I used to kiss is dead!

FOR THE KING
 A STORY OF 1745-46.



Grand Display of Millinery

—AT—
GEORGE JEFFREY'S.

GEORGE JEFFREY has much pleasure in informing his numerous friends and the public generally that his Show Room is now open, and is prepared to show

**One of the Best Assortments of Millinery and Mantles
 EVER EXHIBITED IN GUELPH.**

As the stock is all new, Ladies will have no trouble in selecting the newest goods at reasonable prices.

GEORGE JEFFREY, GUELPH
 Direct Importer, Guelph.

Another large arrival of New Goods direct from France and Britain

AT THE LION

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Our Weekly Arrivals of Goods make things Lively at THE LION!
 Trade better than Ever!

Over Thirty Thousand Dollars worth more Goods sold this Spring than last, and there will be more in the future, for we are determined to keep prices down in spite of increase in the tariff. Every one remarks the great business doing at THE LION. Of course it must be so,—our stock is larger than any six stocks in Guelph, and our prices so much lower, and the people find out these things, and go where they get the best value for their money.

We have received a specialty this week of over one thousand dollars worth of Double Ballon's Kid Gloves direct from French makers, that we will sell at one dollar a pair; elsewhere you pay from \$1.25 to \$1.50 for the same.

Also, French Silks in all the newest shades in plain, striped, and shot, at \$1, worth \$1.50 a yard.
 Another lot of lovely Dress Goods in Plain Lustres, Zenobin Stripes, Australian Crapes, and Polka Spots.
 59 Boys' Suits just received to suit little chaps from 4 to 10 years old at \$3.50, \$3.75, \$4.00, \$4.50 and \$5.00 a suit.

Our Agent advises that next steamer will bring us 100 pieces Linen Tasso Dresses that he has bought very cheap. The goods are worth 25 cents; we will sell them at 12½ cents. The next Allan steamer will bring them.

J. D. WILLIAMSON.

Golden Lion, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

**A LARGE STOCK OF
 NEW
 China, Crockery,
 and Glassware,
 NOW OPENED AT
 No. 2, DAY'S BLOCK,
 and will be sold Cheap for Cash.
J. E. McELDERRY
 2 DAY'S BLOCK,
 THE NOTED TEA HOUSE.**

SPRING CLOTHING
 AT THE
Elephant Clothing Store.
C. E. PEIRCE & CO.
 Have now on exhibition one of the Largest Stocks of
READY-MADE CLOTHING
 For Men and Boy's Wear ever shown in Guelph.
 Well Made and Fashionably Cut
 And at prices that cannot be beaten, being 25 per cent less than any other place in town.
A Big Stock of Straw and Felt Hats now on hand.
 Hepburn's Old Stand, Wyndham-st., Guelph.
C. E. PEIRCE & CO.,
 GUELPH, April 10th, 1874.

**BUSINESS RAPIDLY INCREASING AT
 The Fashionable West End**
 The Various Departments of our Stock are full with everything New and Fashion-
 able for the Season.
OUR DRESS DEPARTMENT
 Contains a larger and more attractive variety of new first-class goods than we have ever
 shown before, while our extraordinary CHEAP LINES at 12½, 15c, 20c and 25c aston-
 ish all our customers. Sales in this Department are going up fast.
OUR MILLINERY DEPARTMENT
 Is the Great CENTRE OF ATTRACTION at the present time. Our Select and Beautiful
 Styles in New Millinery are greatly admired by every person visiting this Depart-
 ment, while our reasonable and satisfactory prices surprise as well as please all in-
 tending purchasers.
 Our display this week will surpass all our former efforts.
**RECEIVING TO-DAY --- The latest things in Straw Goods for
 the Season.**
NOW SHOWING--
 New Styles in Silks and Cashmere Capes and Mantles.
 New Parasols and Silk Umbrellas.
 Children's Parasols at 25c, 50c, 60c, and 75c.
 100 pieces of Choice Prints at 10 cents.
 100 pieces in Best Goods at 12½c.
 275 pieces New Dress Goods at 12½c, 15c, 20c and 25c, the cheapest lot of Dress Goods
 ever offered for sale in Guelph.
 150 Combs, Ladies, direct to the Fashionable West End.
A. O. BUCHAM,
 Fashionable West End Dress, Mantle, and Millinery Establishment.

William Stewart
 HAS
 NOW OPENED
 THE
**First Lot's New Goods
 for Spring!**

Piles of Plain Lustres,
 Lots of Striped Dress Goods,
 Fancy Goods
 The Newest Colors and Patterns.
 THE
Print Department
 IS CROWDED
 With the Latest Productions in Colours
 and Styles, and at
LOWER PRICES THAN LAST YEAR!
WM. STEWART.
 Guelph, March 23, 1874

WOODLAND NURSERIES.
New and Beautiful PLANTS
 Green House, Foliage, Window and Bed-
 ding Plants.
 The undersigned are prepared to supply
 healthy flowering plants at low prices.
 Having facilities to grow a large quantity
 of plants, we are in a position to fill a want
 that was felt in Guelph. All our stock has
 been selected with care, embracing many
New and Beautiful Plants.
 Novelties of merit will be added to our
 stock as they appear.
Vegetable Plants
 Cabbage, Cauliflower, Celery, Tomatoes,
 Asparagus, &c., &c.
 Strawberry Plants at low rates by the 100
 or 1000.
A FEW THOUSAND WELL-GROWN
 Apple, Pear and Plum Trees at lowest
 market rates. All orders entrusted to them
 will be executed with fidelity and dispatch.
 Nurseries west of St. Joseph's Hospital.
GILCHRIST BROS.,
 Guelph, April 16, '74 dw Guelph, Ont

R. MacGREGOR & Co.
 (Successors to W. D. Hepburn & Co.)
BOOTS AND SHOES
MADE TO ORDER
 This Branch of our Business is receiving our Special atten-
 tion, and we are getting up Goods second to none in the
 Dominion.
We Use the Very Best of Material
 Employ First-class Workmen ONLY, and guarantee perfect
 satisfaction to our Customers.
R. MacGregor & Co.
 GUELPH, Apr. 25, 1874.

JUST COME IN!
GUELPH TEA DEPOT
E. O'DONNELL & Co.
 Are putting up to-day
 320 caddies best dollar Young Hyson Tea for 80c. per lb.
 600 caddies of the best 75 cent Tea for 50c per lb.
 95 caddies of nice Sweet Tea at 40c per lb.
 120 caddies of Japan Tea worth 75c, for 50c.
 A few packages of Black Tea for 35c per lb.
 10 hogsheads of Good Bright Sugar, 12lb. for \$1.
 50 Ingersoll Cheese, very choice.
**A very large stock of Groceries of all
 kinds always on hand Cheap.**
Terms—Strictly Cash.
E. O'DONNELL & CO

GUELPH CLOTH HALL.
SHAW & MURTON
OUR SPRING STOCK
 Is now fully assorted in every department.
**CLOTHS,
 HATS AND CAPS,
 GENTS' FURNISHINGS
 READY-MADE CLOTHING.**
 We would inform our customers and the public in general that we never before
 offered such a complete and handsome assortment of Goods for Gent's Wear.
Shaw & Murton,
 GUELPH, March 21, 1874
 MERCHANT TAILORS

MANUFACTURE OF COCOA.—We will
 now give an account of the process adop-
 ted by Messrs. James Epps & Co.,
 manufacturers of dietetic articles, at
 their works in the Euston Road, Lon-
 don.—See article in *Cassell's Household
 Guide.*