Guelph Evening Mercury

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 15, 1872

HELEN MOIR

—OR—

LOVE AND HONOUR.

A TALE OF THE CLYDE.

CHAPTER XXXI.

EVIL NEWS FROM SCOTLAND—EDWIN AND RITCHIE IN DEEP DISTRESS.

If, that night, something had not come as a diversion, the intensity of their anguish would have overwhelmed them. But something did come, and it brought a train of incidents and events, which concentrated in interest upon their own concerns—revolving also with a rapidity which left no time for brooding reflections.

At midnight the startling sound of the blowing of trumpets heralded what was to prove the bloodiest and most decisive battle of the war. Both sides knew quite well that this would be so, and Prussians and French were putting forth every possible exertion each to gain the victory for their own side.

If the French gained it, then Bazaine would be able to unite his army with that of MacMahon; if he lost, he would be driven into Metz, and there invested, shut up, starved, and forced ultimately to surrender.

The Prussians, on the other hand, were fully aware of the momentous consequences involved, and the supreme importance to them of gaining the victory, and they were gathering their vast hosts from every available point to secure the object.

Edwin had a full knowledge of the state of the case, for in the morning Hermann had told him—only he did not expect that the battle would take place till the second day following.

At midnight, however, as we have said, the silence was broken by the sounding of trumpets along all the line, which extended for several miles upon the heights which fronted the town of Gorse, and the tramp and march of troops through the town were incessantly maintained till dawn.

As soon as the first streaks of light came out of the east, Edwin and Ritchie started for the front to learn what was going forward. Early though the hour was, they knew the battle had begun, for there reached them through the grey but increasing light that horrid roar which they had learned too well to understand—the combined roar of artillery, chassepot, and needlegun. Ay, and beginning thus at early dawn, the battle was destined to last all through that long summer day—raging with unexampled fierceness, and accompanied by a sacrifice of human life literary appalling.

The two onlookers, ever anxious for Hermann's safety, breasted the slope beyond the town, and reached the high and wide plain in which the battle had been fought two days before. It was still strewn with dead horses and dead and wounded men—no time having yet been had to bury the corpses and remove the moaning sufferers to the hospitals.

It was over this ghastly spot so full of indescribable horrors and living agonies, that they had to pass, and at last they came to a spot which commanded a view of the new battlefield, they were still surrounded by them, and did not regard them with the same shuddering dread which filled their souls when they beheld the same spectacle for the first time at Speichern. So true is it that familiarity produces indifference, even in the tenderest and truest things which at first produce horror and awe.

On the spot where Edwin and Ritchie now stood, other spectators were also collected, for it commanded a far prospect, and a full view of the extended line of battle. The Prussian staff was there, watching with an interest, we may well imagine how keen, the movements of the troops and the course of the conflict. King William was there, looking grey and grizzly, and by his side stood Moltke, calm and motionless as a statue, knowing precisely the instructions he had given to his Generals, and waiting with something like inspired assurance the result of the contest. There also stood Bismarck, more nervous and restless, twitching continually at his moustache, and wholly unable to conceal his excitement and anxiety. Surrounding these three great representatives of the great German leadership were princes and staff officers, and Edwin and Ritchie stood gazing at the group with fascinated eyes till they set spurs to their horses and moved away to another part of the ground. Then they turned their individual attention to the awful scene which was waiting to invite it.

On the far horizon to the left rose against the sky the row of poplars which marked the road to Verdun and Paris, a road which Bazaine wanted to reach, but which the Prussians were fighting the battle with him to prevent him from doing. How the pretty little villages which lay at intervals on this extended line of highway showed clearly in the bright sunny air, the church tower of each pointing significantly to the sky, as if protesting against that violence done to the name of the Prince of Peace, whose beneficent rule on earth they had been raised to declare. Just then, what frightful mockery seemed the pacific strains of the angel's song over the manger of Bethlehem, "Glory to God in the highest, peace on earth, good will to men." Eighteen hundred years had rolled away since the celestial choir had ravished with their heavenly anthem the ears of the listening shepherds; yet there, on these Alsatian heights and plains, the demon of war was raging with a fierceness and intensity never surpassed in the long history of human discord.

LIME FOR SALE.—The Subscriber will deliver first-rate Lime to any part of the Town of Guelph at 8 cents per bushel, or Agents at his Kiln in Rockwood.

May 2.-4tw GEO. DUNBAR.

THOROUGH-BRED DURHAM BULL.—The subscriber having purchased the celebrated short horn bull "Darling Duke" at the late Provincial Exhibition, Kingston, and which carried off the 3rd prize at the Central Exhibition, Guelph, will have him on his premises during the ensuing season for the service of cows. Bred by John Snell, Edmonton. Terms for thoroughbred cows $5 each; grades $2, each payable at time of service.

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JAMES ANDERSON,

Ap3-w3m Springfield, Puslinch

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Puslinch, April 3. (8tw

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JOHN JOHNSTONE.

Minto, April 3rd, 1872. wtf

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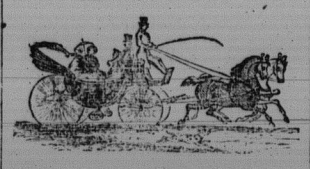

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Guelph, April 22, 1872 w

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This JELLY is highly recommended to ladies as a most agreeable Preparation for the Toilet. For Beautifying the Complexion, and rendering the Skin Soft, White, Clear, and free from Dryness, it is unrivalled. It will quickly remove all Redness, Roughness, Tan, Freckles, Pimples, and other imperfections. For Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Frost Bites and Sore Lips, it cannot be surpassed. Price 25 cents.

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Carbolic Toilet Soap

This TOILET SOAP possesses all the well-known antiseptic and disinfecting properties of Carbolic Acid, is agreeably scented, has a healthy action on the skin, prevents irritation, removes the effects of perspiration, and should be regularly used by families. Cholera, Small-pox and Fever Patients should be washed with this Soap; and its use by persons liable to infection will materially prevent the spread of disease. Price 15 cents per Tablet.

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CORK STREET, GUELPH.

MESSRS. WEBSTER & WOOLHOUSE

Having entered into partnership in carrying on the Stove and Tinware Business, are pleased to inform the public of Guelph and vicinity that they are now better able than ever to supply them with every imaginable article in their line, and at prices that will astonish their customers. The stock is the largest in Guelph, comprising

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THE ATTENTION OF FARMERS

Is called to their immense stock of

STOVES AND PLOUGHS!

Which, for Cheapness and Perfection in all the latest improvements, stand unrivalled in the country. We make a speciality of PLOUGHS, and are therefore able to supply the Farmers with just what they want.

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PLOUGHS and CASTINGS always on hand from the factory of Lutz & Co., Galt.

Our store is crammed with TINWARE of all descriptions, and our prices are as low as our stock is varied.

CISTERN PUMPS always on hand, and EAVE TROUGHS put up in town and country on short notice.

WEBSTER & WOOLHOUSE,

Brantford Stove and Plough Depot.

MR. WEBSTER begs to tender his thanks to the Public for the liberal support he has received during the last 11 years, and hopes, under the new firm, to extend his business and render it more worthy than ever of the support of his old customers. They will always find him at his old place.

ALL outstanding accounts up to the 22ND OF APRIL will be paid to the undersigned. Parties indebted will please CALL AND SETTLE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. JOHN WEBSTER,

Guelph, April 26th, 1872 aw3m

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D. BYRNE

HAS just opened the largest and best assorted stock of Hats and Caps ever shewn in the Town of Guelph,

IN ALL THE VERY LATEST STYLES

Comprising English and American Silk and Felt Hats; Cloth Hats, stiff and soft; Cloth, Silk and Velvet Caps; Boys and Children's Felt Hats; Scotch Caps of every shade and color.

☞ *Call at the Guelph Hat, Cap and Fur Store, and See for Yourselves.*

D. BYRNE,

Guelph, March 23, 1872 dw Wyndham Street, Guelph

GUELPH CLOTH HALL.

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SHAW & MURTON

Have now received the Balance of their Spring Goods, and would invite inspection to their Stock of CLOTHS, which is this season more than usually attractive.

Gentlemen will do well to leave their Orders as soon as possible.

SHAW & MURTON,

MERCHANT TAILORS.

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FOR SPRING AND SUMMER WEAR

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Fine Gold Setts Brooch and (Ear-rings	**Fine Gold Necklets**
" Brooches	**" Lockets**
" Earrings	**" Finger Rings**
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" Alberts	**" Cuff Buttons**

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Silver Thimbles, Tea Spoons, Chains,

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Castors, Breakfast and Dinner Butter Coolers, Cake Baskets, Childrens' Mugs, Salons, Butter Knives, Pickle Forks, Spoons and Forks of all kinds.

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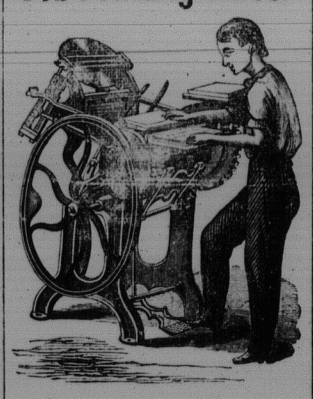
JOHN R. PORTE,

Guelph, Dec 19, 1871 dw Wyndham-Street, Guelph

MERCURY

Job Printing Office.



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Which is now at work in the Establishment.

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WM. STEWART.

Guelph, March 16, 1872 dw

NEW! NEW!!

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Everything NEW in

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And a splendid line of

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☞ Branch of Madame Demorest's Emporium of Fashion. All kinds of Patterns at great reduction in price.

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Guelph, April 21, 1872 dw

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R. SPOVELL,

Guelph April 10, 1872. dw3m

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Coal and Wood Contracts for Public Institutions.

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Addressed to the undersigned, will be received until noon, on

Saturday, the 1st of June,

—FOR—

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Government House about	150	40	10	5
Parliament Buildings "	150	175	55	12
Asylum for the insane about	700	300	800	
Normal School about	170	35	50	20
College of Technology about	40	4	20	
Immigration Depot about	10		20	
LONDON.				
Asylum for the Insane & Idiot branch of do	50	1,000		
BELLEVILLE.				
Institution for the Deaf and Dumb about		300		
BRANTFORD				
Institution for the Blind		300		
In all	1270	2154½	955	37

The coal and wood must be delivered at the respective Institutions in a manner satisfactory to the persons in charge, and at any time until the 1st of September next. Lehigh coal is preferred for the Toronto Asylum, but tenders may offer other kinds. Coal for the Government House, Parliament Buildings, College of Technology and Immigration Depot, must be weighed at the city or other recognized scales; and in other cases at the scales of the respective Institutions. The wood must be of good quality. The hardwood in the proportion of not less than one half maple and the residue of beech, or kinds equally good.

Forms of tender can be had on application to this Department, or at the several Institutions named. Tenders will be received for the supply of the whole, or for separate Institutions; and two sufficient sureties will be required for the due fulfilment of the contract, or for each of the contracts.

ARCHIBALD McKELLAR,

Commissioner.

Department of Public Works,

Toronto, April 27th, 1872 d2aw-wm

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Guelph, March 1, 1872 dw