

MONTHLY CATTLE FAIRS.

AMSTERDAM—Friday before the Guelph Fair.
BRISTOL—Saturday before Guelph.
DUNELM—The Saturday before Guelph.
EGLINGHAM—Monday before Guelph.
DUNELM—Monday before Guelph.
GUELPH—First Wednesday in each month.
CLYDE—Thursday before the Guelph Fair.
TEVOTON—Friday before the Guelph Fair.
NEW HAMBURG—First Tuesday in each month.
BRISTOL—First Thursday in each month.
ELM—Second Monday in each month.
WATFORD—Second Tuesday in each month.
MOUNT FOREST—Third Wednesday in each month.
HARROGATE—Monday before Durham.
DUNELM—Tuesday before Mount Forest.
FERGUS—Thursday following Mount Forest.
OAKENFELT—Second Thursday in January, March, May, July, September and November.
MOUNT FOREST—Third Wednesday in January, April, July and October.
EMBS—First Monday in January, April, July and October.
MASONVILLE—First Tuesday in February, May, August and November.
BRISTOL—First Thursday in each month.
LITTON—First Friday in each month.
HILLSBORO—Second Tuesday in January, March, May, July, September and November.
MOORFIELD—Monday before Guelph.
HAMILTON—Crystal Palace Grounds, the day after Guelph.

The Rival Clansmen
A Scottish Vendetta.

CHAPTER XV.
IAN M'KENNIE AGAIN BAFLED—REUNITED—
A LAST COUNSEL—DEATH OF OLD M'LEOD.

"And now, Hector, I feel weakened and unable to converse further. I am glad to see that you look forward to the responsibility which you will soon have to bear, with confidence, and that you have received the intelligence that your sire will not be many days with you, with the company and firmness which becomes the son of the man who has spoken thus freely to you. It gives me no small pleasure to have you beside me at this moment, for I had almost made up my mind that you too were to be taken from me like my other noble boys. To the Lewlander, Ned Gordon, I owe my deepest gratitude, not only for your safety, but that I have been spared until now to address you as I have done. My words as I approached the Castle may have seemed to him cruel—when I was mourning that I had not been lost with the rest of my clansmen—but I spoke then under the pressure of feelings which I have partially subdued. Assist him in any respect you can, my son, in vindicating his sire's honour. Do it the more heartily since Ian M'Kenzie is the villain who has betrayed her. And the Witch of Ben-Lair must never want a shelter so long as she is able to crawl to Castle M'Leod. She did us a great service, and I am mistaken if she is the possessor of some secret which it may be of importance for you one day to know. Now, Hector, leave me. Break the intelligence gently to my sister, and support and comfort her."

As he uttered the last words the old Chief rose to his feet, and clasping his son's hand shook it fervently, a look of calm resignation resting upon his face. Hector returned the pressure of hand, but his heart was too full for utterance, and, strive as he might to stifle them, the tears at length burst forth and trickled down his cheeks. It was an affecting sight: the high-minded, noble-souled old man looking so calm and resigned, the stamp of death on every feature, yet none dismayed, but rather contemplating the end with a calm Stoic serenity; the not less noble-souled son, with emotions fresh, sympathetic, and signs, gazing into that calm, sad face, and realising that on it he had almost looked his last, and the knowledge that but for the wicked machinations of evil men his father might have been long spared rendering his feelings more intense. In the old man adversity had dried up the well-springs which in ordinary men burst forth and flow freely at such times; in the young man it had opened the channels, and the waters which swayed and surged within burst forth with overwhelming force. Wildly clasping his father's neck in his arms, he at length sobbed out:

"Father, father, no worse trial can I have to bear than this."
Old M'Leod made no reply, but simply motioned him to retire.
Sorrowfully the young man turned and opened the door. Turning on the threshold he said:

"Father, do you not think some one should be near you? I will send a servant to attend you."
"No, no," was the reply. "I would be alone for a time. If I recover a little I may join you."
"As you will, then, father." And Hector left the room.

When he had gone, M'Leod sank down upon a couch and covered his face with his hands, while he breathed heavily and evidently with great labor. The afternoon had far advanced, and the sky was beginning to assume the dull grey hue of an autumn gloaming. The distant hills were also becoming indistinct, and the wind which blew over them chilly and cold. The shadows of night were beginning to gather around before the Chief raised himself from his seat, and cast his eyes through the window upon the wide prospect, which lay stretched out before him. Then he staggered to his feet and paced the floor with irregular and unsteady steps.

"Ay," he suddenly exclaimed, "the end is near at hand. God knows, the pride which filled my soul when I gazed upon the stern faces and the stalwart forms of my clansmen, with their eyes flashing with the wild fire of true M'Leods, received a check last night which has crushed me almost to the dust. But though broken in spirit I might have tried to be the avenger of my gallant kinsmen, had I not been compelled to fly exhausted as I was, like a hunted deer before my enemies. I knew I was hanging death to my breast every step I took, but how could I remember those noble youths more than I was doing? No. They are both young and strong and healthy, and life to them looks fair and pleasant, although both tasted of the cup of bitterness; but to me life—a life which has had many trials and many triumphs, but few pleasures—life, I say, was a burden; and if a sacrifice had to be made I judged it better that I should make the sacrifice."

A shadow of pain crossed his face, and with a moan he again sank upon the couch, his breath more laboured and the chest heaving violently.

The women of Ohio are closing the liquor saloons by personal visitation and prayer.
BREAKFAST—Epps's Cocoa.—Gives strength and comfort. By a thorough knowledge of the natural laws which govern the operations of digestion and nutrition, and by a careful application of the fine properties of well-selected cocoa, Mr. Epps has provided our tables with a delicately flavoured beverage which may save us many heavy doctor's bills.—Civil Service Gazette. Made simply with boiling water or milk. Each packet is labelled—James Epps & Co., Hoopstaple Chemists, London.

GREAT CLEARING SALE

GEORGE JEFFREY'S, WYNDHAM STREET GUELPH.

The Great Clearing Sale still goes on with unabated success. Upwards of 400 yards of Dress Goods sold every day at 20c and 25c per yard. A good assortment still on hand.

FURS—The balance of this Stock to be cleared out at cost. Ladies wanting Cheap Furs at unprecedented prices should call at once.

FANCY GOODS—Now is the time to secure New Goods suitable for Christmas Presents.

CLOUDS—The Largest and Cheapest Lot of Clouds in Guelph, at half price.

JUST ARRIVED:

50 doz. Collars and Ties of the latest styles, to be sold at 25c., usual price 75c.

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.

BLANKETS, SHEETINGS, QUILTS, LACE CURTAINS, WINDOW HOLLANDS, CLOUDS, BREAKFAST SHAWLS, CROSSOVERS, &c. &c. &c.

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.

NEW TEAS, NEW TEAS

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—the money refunded.

2 DAY'S BLOCK.

THE NOTED TEA HOUSE.

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. 15, 1873.

C. KLOEPPER, Guelph, Ont.

Wyndham Street, Guelph.

Leaving Town—Bound for the West, the Great Northwest. \$45,000 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

Being about to leave Guelph to seek a better home, I have decided to sell my entire stock of Dry Goods and Groceries at a special discount of 15 to 20 per cent. below Toronto or Montreal Wholesale prices. All goods will be marked in plain figures, and sold as such. 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,

Guelph, Ont.

FIRST PRIZE BISCUITS

JAMES MASSIE,

Manufacturer of

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 the West.

- COBBLERS, all flavors;
DROPS, assorted flavors and shapes;
GUM and LICORICE DROPS,
CONVERSATION LICORICES,
MOULDED SWEETS, new patterns;
SODA, SWEET and FRUIT BISCUITS,
FRUIT BISCUITS,
GINGER NUTS,
CHEWING GUM,
ROCK CANDY,
LICORICE.

A Large Stock of Choice and Favorite Brand Cigars. His Biscuits took the first prize over all others at the London Western Fair, the only place where they were entered for competition. All Goods carefully packed and shipped with despatch.

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The Twenty-sixth Quarterly Dividend of 3 per cent. for the Quarter will be paid on presenting Pass-Books. Dividends are paid every January, April, July and October. We present Pass Books to any that want them.

J. C. MACKLIN & Co.

GUELPH, Jan. 2, 1874

GUELPH CLOTH HALL

Fine Brown and Blue Beaver and Melton

OVERCOATINGS

MADE TO ORDER.

Also on hand, Readymade

HUDSON'S BAY OVERCOATS

IN SEVERAL STYLES.

SHAW & MURTON,

MERCHANT TAILORS

Wyndham St., Guelph,

Guelph, Dec. 1, 1873

C. E. PEIRCE & CO.

Elephant Clothing Store.

OVERCOATS

In all Shades and Prices!

Undercoats, Pants and Vests.

Our Stock of Men's and Boys' Underwear excels anything yet seen.

ALL STYLES IN HATS AND CAPS.

Low Prices. Come and See Us.

C. E. PEIRCE & CO.,

Hopburn's Old Stand, Wyndham-st., Guelph

Guelph, December 17, 1873.

RAYMOND'S SEWING MACHINES

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

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