

New Advertisements.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY. At the Cash Store, a few first-class Tailor cases. Apply to R. Clayton.

HOUSE TO LET.—To let a commodious house on Queen Street, on the east side of the river. Apply at this office.

NOTICE.—Pork cuttings for sale at the Guelph Packing House, opposite the Grand Trunk Passenger Station.

WANTED TO PURCHASE.—A small house containing from five to seven rooms. The purchase money paid down. Apply at the residence of Mrs. Sterling, Hatch's Block, Norfolk street.

NOTICE.—All persons indebted to the Estate of Robert Bae & Co. are requested to settle their accounts before Monday, the 19th inst., and all persons having claims against the Estate will forward them to the undersigned.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The Annual Meeting of the above Society will be held at the Agricultural Office, on SATURDAY, the 19th inst., at 2 p.m.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.—All parties indebted to the firm of Chance & Williamson are requested to make payment of the same, as the partnership will shortly be dissolved.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.—In the matter of HENRY METCALF, an Insolvent.

NOTICE.—All parties indebted to the estate are required to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Y. M. C. A.—The Annual Auction Sale of the Periodicals and Newspapers for the current year will be held in the Rooms, on THURSDAY, the 15th inst., at 8 o'clock p.m.

ANNIVERSARY SERMONS.—Will be preached in the Wesleyan Church, on SABBATH, JANUARY 18th.

BY THE REV. LACHLAN TAYLOR, D.D. At 10.30 a.m., and by at 8.30 p.m.

A VISIT TO MANITOBA.—The proceeds are to be applied to the Trust Fund of the contemplated Second Wesleyan Church.

GREAT CHEAP SALE.—At I. & J. Andrews' FANCY STORE, OPPOSITE THE MARKET.

BERLIN WOOLS IN ALL SHADES.—All of which will be sold at and below cost.

GIVING UP BUSINESS.—The subscriber for various important reasons is constrained to give up his boot and shoe business.

IN A FEW DAYS, EX "CANADA," 82 PACKAGES.—MANY SPECIAL LINES.

JOHN MACDONALD & CO. TORONTO.

CHANCERY SALE.—Pursuant to the original order of the Court of Chancery for sale in a certain matter of Edward Carroll, deceased.

Thursday, 15th of Jan., A.D. 1874.

At 12 o'clock, noon, lot number 221, corner of Nottingham and Devonshire Streets.

Terms of sale.—Ten per cent of the purchase money to be paid on day of sale.

Guelph, 31st Dec., 1873.

Guelph Evening Mercury

WEDNESDAY EVENING, JAN. 14, 1874

TO Gas Consumers.

Pay your accounts on or before THURSDAY, the 15th inst., and save the 20 per cent. discount.

Payable at the Company's Works, Waterloo Street.

D. GUTHRIE, President.

BY TELEGRAPH

Advance of Sir Garnet.

Bavarian Elections.

The Barcelona Business.

A Town Banned Down.

Bad for Caleb Cushing.

London, Jan. 14.—Despatches from Cape Coast report General Sir Garnet Wolsey and staff, with two hundred blue jackets, started for the river Prae on the 27th ult.

Southampton, Jan. 13.—Arrived, the s.s. Rhein from New York.

Berlin, Jan. 14.—Later returns from Bavaria show that 21 Liberals and 28 Ultraromans have been elected to the Reichstag from that Kingdom.

Madrid, Jan. 14.—The Government denies that the trouble at Barcelona was serious, and announces that order has been restored in that city.

New York, Jan. 13.—Reuben M. Murdoch, special policeman, Greenwood Cemetery, shot and killed his wife by mistake to-night.

A Boston despatch says nearly the whole business portion of Natick, Mass., was burned to-day. Only three stores were saved. The loss is estimated at half a million.

New York, Jan. 14.—The Times Washington special says:—Developments in regard to Cushing have not only defeated him for Chief Justice, but will possibly deprive him of his mission to Spain.

Town and County News

Y. M. C. A.—The regular monthly meeting of the Association will be held in the rooms, on Thursday evening, 15th inst., at 8 o'clock, when the periodicals and newspapers for this year will be offered for sale.

Mechanics' Institute.—The meeting on Tuesday night was adjourned until Tuesday next, 20th inst. The attendance was small, and directors did not wish to enter upon the proposed business, amongst which is a reduction of fees, until there was a larger attendance.

The Wesleyan Anniversary sermons will be preached in the Wesleyan Church next Sunday. Rev. Lachlan Taylor, D.D., will preach in the morning.

North Ward.—Dr. McGregor, moved by Mr. Robt. Mitchell and seconded by Mr. W. H. Mann.

South Ward.—Dr. Keating, re-elected, moved by Mr. A. B. Petrie, seconded by Mr. J. F. Tullen.

East Ward.—Mr. Alex. Mackenzie, moved by Mr. D. McCrae, seconded by Mr. Robt. Melvin.

West Ward.—Mr. Wm. Wilkie, moved by Mr. J. C. McLagan, seconded by Mr. W. Pearson.

The New Act Respecting Weights and Measures.

As some grain dealers are in doubt respecting the use of the "Cental," as provided in Section 6 of the Act xxxvi., Vic. Cap. 47, which came into force on the first instant, and are desirous of knowing whether there is any penalty for making contracts and delivering grain by the bushel, and whether sub-section 2, of the Section above referred to, legalizes special contracts made by the bushel, we may inform our readers that upon enquiry at the Inland Revenue office here, we find the construction put upon the law is:

1. That although no special penalty is provided for making contracts, or delivering articles by the bushel, still such contracts would be illegal and could not be enforced.

2. That a bushel of wheat, even if specially mentioned in an agreement under sub-section 2, would not mean sixty (60) pounds as heretofore, but only a bushel of capacity, that is to say, 215.042 cubic inches, and so of all the other articles mentioned in the section above referred to.

Toronto East.—At an enthusiastic and crowded meeting of the Reform party held in the St. Lawrence Hall on Monday evening, Mr. John O'Donohue, County Attorney, was elected to contest the division in the interest of the Reform Party.

Hochelaga.—Mr. DesJardins, proprietor of the Nouveau Monde, has accepted the Conservative candidature for the county of Hochelaga. Mr. Rivestille, the Government candidate, however, is sure of election.

South Riding of Wellington

Splendid Mass Meeting of Reformers.

Mr. Stirtion Receives the Unanimous Nomination of the Party.

A very large and influential meeting of the Reformers of the South Riding of Wellington was held in the Town Hall, Guelph, on Tuesday, for the purpose of nominating a candidate at the approaching election, and perfecting the organizing election, and perfecting the organizing every part by the representative and solid men of the party, from all sections of the Riding.

Mr. George Elliott, chairman of the Reform Association, was called on to the chair, and Mr. McLagan appointed Secretary.

The Chairman in opening the proceedings said they were all aware for what object the meeting was called. It was only a week ago last Saturday that the news of the dissolution had been received, and as there was so little time, the Central Committee of the Reform Association thought it the most prudent course to call the present meeting of the Reformers and supporters of the present Ministry first to select a candidate, and as a warning to organize the party in view of a contest. He then referred to the change which had taken place in the political situation since they last met for a similar object.

They were all aware of the cause which had led to this, and the late Government sought to perpetuate their reign by the most corrupt means—by using the Pacific Railway as a powerful lever. They were all familiar with the history of that scandal—

with the evidence taken before the Commission—with the means employed to corrupt the electors—and with the downfall of the Government in consequence of the exposure of these shameful practices. All this had been proved against Sir John Macdonald and his colleagues. He held that the new Government, in appealing to the electors, had done nothing but to do right. He referred to his policy as fore-shadowed in Mr. Mackenzie's speech, and concluded by saying that the issue now before the people was simply whether they would support an honest or a corrupt Government.

Mr. James Laidlaw, Reeve of Guelph Township, moved the following resolution:—

"That in the opinion of this meeting the thanks of the country are due to the members of the late Opposition Ministry, and in particular to those who were patriotic in vindicating the rights of the people and the privilege of Parliament, and in unmasking the corrupt conduct of the late Ministry."

He was perfectly sure that this resolution would be endorsed not only by the meeting but by the whole country before two weeks were over. (Cheers.) He was equally well assured that the people of Canada approved the stand taken by those representatives who boldly stood up for their rights and privileges during the late struggle in Parliament. It was also our duty to record our condemnation of the men who sought for personal or party aggrandizement to barter away our rights, which would for all time be a stain upon the name of our country.

Mr. Wm. Nicol, Deputy Reeve of Puslinch, seconded the resolution. He said that it expressed the sentiment of the people, and in passing it we were endorsing the sentiment of those who fought a hard battle against corruption and wrong doing. It would be ingratitude on our part if we did not express our gratitude to them for their self-devotion in the cause of the people.

Mr. Thomas Hood wished to know who drew up the resolution, and suggested that they should first hear Mr. Stirtion.

The motion was put and carried unanimously.

Mr. D. Guthrie proposed the next resolution, as follows:—

"That this meeting hail with feelings of satisfaction the triumph of sound and constitutional principles in the formation of a new Ministry under the leadership of the Hon. Alexander Mackenzie, having every confidence that the new Ministry by their patriotic, wise and liberal measures, and honest administration of affairs, will deserve the support of every well wisher to his country."

He said they all knew what desperate means had been employed during the late struggle, and that it was more their duty now to sustain him than at any previous election, and show how much they appreciated his conduct. (Cheers.)

This resolution was put and carried unanimously.

Mr. Duncan McFarlane, of Puslinch, seconded the resolution. He was well aware that Mr. Stirtion had been a true and faithful servant. He (Mr. McFarlane) was one of the old Reformers. He had known Mr. Stirtion well before he entered public life, and since then he had ever found him an upright, honest representative of the people, who had faithfully done his duty to his constituents and to his country. (Hear.)

He had in the late crisis fought his battle manfully and well, and it was more their duty now to sustain him than at any previous election, and show how much they appreciated his conduct. (Cheers.)

This resolution was put and carried unanimously.

Mr. Stirtion was next called upon to speak. He thanked the meeting for their expression of approval of his conduct during the late Parliament. He had always felt it a high honor to represent this fine riding of South Wellington. He felt it a high honor now to receive such marks of their confidence as he had done to-day, especially when he thought of the peculiar scenes he had passed through, the peculiar difficulties he had encountered, since they sent him to Parliament fifteen months ago. Speaking of public men, it had been a great point by their opponents, that Sir John had not made money out of public life. Now, an honest public man, who faithfully discharged his duty was not likely to make money out of it. For himself, there was a reward far above money, and that was the generous confidence of his fellow electors. (Applause.)

During the past fifteen months they had passed through one of the most extraordinary periods of Canadian history. The history of the Long Parliament was a famous chapter in English history, and the history of the Short Parliament—that had just dissolved, would be a no less famous chapter in Canadian history. The momentous interests involved, and the difficulties to be met by the members, in the proceedings of that short Parliament, had seldom been equalled in the history of any country living under a free constitution. He would allude to the principal topics which had engaged their attention. Sir John A. Macdonald had been making ready for the late election long before it came. For four sessions he had talked about and promised a new election law, and most objectionable features there were in the law that he wanted. For instance, he proposed to have revising barristers, mere creatures of the Government. The people would have to go to these men and suffer if they had a right to vote before their names could be put down as

appeal. (Hear.)

They were and are asked to pass such a measure, and throw the onus of it upon the Reformers. But instead of a new law, John A. had passed the Interim Election Act, extending the old law for a twelve months, and giving power to the Government to create Revising Barristers themselves, instead of appointing the sheriffs and other officers in that capacity. The result was seen in the scandalous cases of the West Peterboro' election, the Muskoka election, and many others. In South Renfrew the Revising Barristers, the Reform candidate, were kept by force out of three newly settled and unorganized townships just added to the county. Hundreds of spurious votes were polled in them by his opponent, Mr. O'Reilly, and these spurious votes gained the contest for the latter. This was a specimen of the sort of election law John A. wanted. Then there was the way he gerrymandered and cut up counties, to increase the Tory vote, as in Wellington and Huron. Having secured a majority by these means, John A. proceeded to get power to manufacture the Pacific Charter, instead of leaving Parliament to deal with the matter. They all knew the history of this great scandal, and how John A. and his friends were carried out of their own mouths, before their own mock tribunal, of taking money from the man to whom they gave the Pacific charter, and using the money to bribe and corrupt the constituents. There were fifty or sixty members returned by improper means, and the Government had a majority, yet so glaring was Sir John's offence that he was compelled to relieve even this corrupt Parliament from the necessity of sustaining him by a vote. This corrupt Parliament had now been sent to the country by the new Ministry. It had been said that it would have been better to hold a short session before dissolving Parliament: and a great fuss had been made by the Opposition about it. But it was admitted that next summer there must be a new Parliament, and a dissolution; and, as Mr. Guthrie had pointed out, it was much better to have it at this season, when men had most leisure. They had heard of Mr. Drew at the Tory caucus warning his friends to be careful about spending money, notwithstanding the fact that the House of Commons, and of his having been on all occasions a persistent advocate of the great Reform principles which are so well calculated to promote the prosperity and welfare of our people, and that he was a man who would tender him our best thanks, and more particularly for his having rendered most valuable services to his fellow members in the House during the late crisis, by which they were enabled to drive from power those who were the cause of the important affairs of trust—unblushingly committed acts in relation to the proposed Pacific Railway, which evinced a lack of integrity and prudence so essential to the proper conduct of public men, and which were not only discreditable in the extreme, but derogatory of severe censure, and most detrimental to the fair fame of this Dominion.

He said he felt pleased to see so many here to-day, evincing as they did the interest they took in the affairs of the country. Mr. Stirtion had fought the battle of the people bravely. He was a true soldier, and deserved the thanks and approval of every true Reformer in this County. A great howl had been raised against the new Ministry because they had not passed the money in his pocket. He, as a trustee of the people used to exercise it. And in the transaction with Sir Hugh Allan there was as good value given to Sir John as if he had put the money in his pocket. He, as a trustee of the people used the money to keep himself in power; and a school trustee or councillor who did this would be hooted out of society. If they allowed things to be done in high life which would not be tolerated in a lower sphere—if they allowed a latitude in public life which was not allowed in private life—they would sap the foundations of all morality.

Where would it end? So great was the sensation caused by these things that even the people of the United States, who were all the time looking on at their public men, said, "This is ahead of us." (Laughter.) The press of the mother land had condemned them from one end of the country to the other. He felt that if Parliament backed up Sir John, Canada would be morally disgraced in the eyes of the world; and right glad was he to find that there were sterling men in the other party, who would not condone their leader's baseness. These men ought to be honored by every well-wisher in the land. Mr. Stirtion alluded to the scene on the 10th August, when Parliament was turned out of doors, and went on to speak of the new Government. Prince Edward Island, "our youngest and most virtuous sister," had been honored in the person of Mr. Laird, who received a seat in the Cabinet, and of whom Mr. Stirtion spoke in terms of admiration. He engaged the new Ministry, and said that their predecessors were entirely unworthy of comparison with them. Sir John A. Macdonald was a clever man, but his tricky and trading system of policy was not to be compared with the honorable and statesman-like course that Edward Blake had followed in public life. (Loud applause.) They knew the plodding, earnest industry of Mr. Mackenzie, who had a wider and more varied knowledge of public business than any other man in the country. Then they had the model man Dorion; and Cartwright, whose speeches on finance in the House were a credit to him and it. As to the policy of the Government, both Mr. Mackenzie and Mr. Dorion had declared that their policy should be the same in power as out of power. Mr. Mackenzie had boldly taken the ground that they would conduct public affairs in a way conducive to public morality. Then as to the magnitude of the work. From the Mattawa, in Ottawa County, to Fort Gary, was 900 miles—further than from here to New York—and through a barren, rocky, swampy country. It had taken five years already, and would take two more to construct the Intercolonial, 600 miles long, and a great part of it near the sea coast; and at the least it would take ten years to make this 900 miles—and Manitoba must be kept facilitating all this time for railroad facilities, according to the Tory cry. There was no more disloyalty to the Government, than in making the Panama branch first, and having a connection through American territory, than there was in Mr. Pipe sending barrels of flour through

New York State when navigation was closed at Montreal.

The late Government had promised to construct the Pacific Railway in ten years, and they had spent two years of the ten in trying to find out if it was possible to make the road. He would conclude by pressing upon them the issue now before the country. The issue was the Liberal and Conservative; it was honesty or dishonesty—truth or falsehood—morality or immorality. In the last Parliament there were thirty men eating their daily bread from the Government crib; was that a fair and free representation of the people of Canada? The father of corruption, the king of corruptionists, had been made leader of the Opposition. By so doing they adopted him and his policy; and his policy was corruption. Mr. Stirtion earnestly thanked the people of the Riding for the many kindnesses they had shown him, and sat down amid loud and long-continued applause, followed by three cheers for Stirtion.

Mr. Lazarus Parkinson, Eramosa, said they were met there for the purpose of nominating a candidate. It was usual to give the electors of the different townships an opportunity of freely expressing their sentiments as to the man they would choose as their candidate. Under all the circumstances, however, it had been thought that this purpose could be accomplished by the present meeting as well as by a more formal convention. He had therefore the honor to propose the following resolution:—

"That David Stirtion, Esq., is a fit and proper person to represent the South Riding of Wellington in the coming Parliament of the Dominion of Canada, and that he be hereby nominated as the Reform candidate for this Riding."

(Prolonged applause.) They all knew that when the voice of South Wellington was heard in the councils of their country echoed from the lips of their honored representative, it had never given an uncertain sound. Many members had been bribed; but John A., with all his craft and his blarneyings and knowledge of men, had never been able to seduce David Stirtion of South Wellington. If inquiry had triumphed once on this occasion, success would have been every thing in politics; there would have been no question of right and wrong, but the old heathen principle that was so long wrong to be found out. He rejoiced, however, that these transactions had shown there was some moral integrity left in Canada, and that we were not unworthy of the rose from which we sprung. He rejoiced that there were found even in the corrupt Parliament that had not worshipped the image of gold which John A. had set up. He was glad that Mr. Stirtion had honored those men who although generally supporters of Sir John had set up their own banner before party.

He rejoiced that a just and candid dare stand in hand, and alone to meet the whole power of the Government, backed by the hosts of contractors who depended upon him. In reference to the result he had moved, he considered that Mr. Stirtion was a man of more than ordinary rank in the manner in which he had already served them, not only from the consistent course he had pursued, but from the fact that he had not yet set the full time for which they previously voted him; there were more than ordinary reasons why they should send Mr. Stirtion back to Parliament. (Loud applause.)

Mr. Wm. Whitelaw, Guelph Township, seconded the resolution. He said there might be a doubt in the minds of some of them whether this meeting fully represented the Reformers of South Wellington; but when he looked at the fine meeting before him he felt he would rather have the opinion of this meeting than of twenty conventions. (Loud applause.) All parties were present; and he fully believed that a better representation of the Reformers of South Wellington had never been gathered. At some further remarks, Mr. Whitelaw concluded by saying:—Mr. Stirtion has shown himself honest and faithful to us, and it is our duty to return him again. I do not think there will be any opposition to him, but if there is we all know what it will amount to. (Loud applause.)

Mr. Joseph Ryan, Guelph, in a brief speech referred to the report of the Senate and Commons Committee on the Temperance question, and asked Mr. Stirtion's opinion on Prohibition.

Mr. Stirtion said he had always supported any proposition on the side of temperance. He had voted for the Temperance Act, and presented many petitions in connection with this movement. If such a measure as Mr. Ryan alluded to was brought up, he would vote for it.

Mr. Wm. Wilkie, Guelph, asked if Mr. Stirtion would vote for an increase on the tariff on articles manufactured in Canada?

A brief discussion having taken place between Mr. Wilkie, Mr. Whitelaw and a gentleman in the hall on the subject of Protection, Mr. Stirtion said this question was put to him before at the last election. He then stated that he was in favor of a reduction of duty on raw material. The late Government made a great mistake in this respect, and instead of keeping their duty to the lowest figure, had increased it to be believed from 5 per cent to 7 1/2 or 10 per cent on iron. He was also opposed to an increase above 15 per cent on our staples—cotton and woolen—thinking it sufficient. Mr. Wilkie had said that Canada was made a slaughter-house for certain goods which were sent here to be sold at a sacrifice when American manufacturers got short of money. Something should be done to assist our people in this respect. The men who talked so much about Protection had done nothing during the six years they had been in power except raise the duty on raw material. He believed in taxing the luxuries of life, and letting the poor man's articles go free. The late Government had encouraged the importation of cheap cigars from Germany, thereby forcing manufacturers in Montreal, Toronto and Hamilton to shut down.

The Chairman then put Mr. Parkinson's resolution, and it was carried with great enthusiasm.

Mr. Stirtion thanked the meeting, and asked them to be ready to work in case of opposition. The secret of their success was that when they had a contest—and there had only been two in sixteen years—they showed unmistakably which way they meant. He hoped as many as possible would come to the nomination.

Mr. David McCrae, Guelph, moved, seconded by Mr. David Stewart, Eramosa:—That Messrs. James Laidlaw, George A. Darby, and Wm. Whitelaw, be the Reform candidates for this Riding. (Continued on Fourth Page)

Notice of Partnership

The undersigned have taken Mr. A. Davidson into partnership...

Guelph, Jan. 1, 74.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, JAN. 14, 1874

The South Riding--Mr. Sturton Unanimously Nominated.

We need only point to the large and influential meeting held here on Tuesday...

The North Riding.

The Reform Convention meets at Mount Forest on Friday. There is no doubt Colonel Higinbotham will be nominated.

Mr. Blake in the Centre and North Ridings.

We have great pleasure in informing the electors of the North and Centre Ridings...

The Nominations.

The nominations for this County take place on the 22nd--Thursday of next week.

Town Council.

The old Council met on Tuesday evening, the Mayor in the chair.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Were read from John Yule, asking for return of dog tax, improperly paid; and from H. W. Peterson, Chairman of the Board of School Trustees...

THE CENTRAL SCHOOL.

In reference to the foregoing communication, Mr. Kennedy explained that about \$500 was wanted at once...

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Mr. Massie presented this report, recommending refunds to John B. Parks and G. H. Carrier...

THE NEW RIDING.

Mr. Richard Mitchell presented the report of the Road and Bridge Committee. It stated that the cost of grading a width of 42 feet, 18 feet embankment...

CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION ENDED.

Mr. Elliott pointed out the necessity of a legal arrangement with the company. Mr. Massie said that the work of grading could be proceeded with...

CENTRAL EXHIBITION COMMITTEE.

This committee recommended that \$200 be paid for the erection of horse sheds on the Central Exhibition grounds...

THREE-PLANTING COMMITTEE.

The report of this committee, presented by Mr. Chadwick, Chairman, stated that they had expended \$521.73 for improvements mentioned in former reports...

ORGANIZATION OF POLICE FORCE.

Mr. Elliott presented the report of the special committee appointed to draft a petition to the Legislature...

and no greater efficiency is obtained than when the police were under the control of the Mayor and Council.

The committee recommended that copies of these documents be as once printed and forwarded to clerks of municipalities.

NORTH WARD.

Mr. Robert Mitchell presented the report showing the expenditure of the North Ward appropriation.

SCHOOL TRUSTEE.

Mr. Knowles was re-appointed School Trustee, on motion of Messrs. Chadwick and Elliott.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A petition from Mr. Howick in reference to assessment was presented by Mr. Davidson.

Municipal Elections.

AMARANTH.--W. B. Jolly, Reeve; J. Golden, Deputy Reeve; and Messrs. G. Bennett, J. Gillespie, and J. Braiden, Councillors.

RAIN.--The figures for this election are as follows:--For Reeve, McMillan 571, Martin 331, for Deputy, Foster 350, Barry 845; Councillors, Barbour 867, Reid, 847, Burt 829, L. Currie 327, J. Saunders 190.

EAST GARAFRAXA.--Reeve, R. Henderson, T. Hamilton, Deputy Reeve; and Messrs. A. Baker, W. Magwood, and J. Tweedy, Councillors.

BIRTHS.

BEAR.--On the 17th Dec, the wife of James Bear, Clifford, of a son.

BOON.--In Mount Forest, on the 29th ult., the wife of Mr. John Boos of a daughter.

EWERS.--On the 3rd inst., the wife of Mr. Alex. Ewers, Garafraza, of a son.

MONTGOMERY.--In Drayton on the 16th Dec, the wife of Mr. J. W. Montgomery of a daughter.

MARRIED.

HOLDITCH--DOCHSTADER.--On the 13th Oct, at the residence of the bride's father, Font Hill, by the Rev. J. W. Dochstader, Mr. Henry Holditch to the daughter of Frederick Dochstader.

REAVELT--DOCHSTADER.--At the residence of the bride's father, on the 13th Oct, by the Rev. J. W. Dochstader, Mr. Albert Reavelt to Lydia Dochstader, all of Font Hill.

CREATCH--NICKLIN.--In Acton, on the 30th Dec, by the Rev. J. W. Dochstader, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Robert Creatch, of St. Catharines, to Elizabeth Mary, daughter of Benjamin Nicklin, Esq., of Acton.

MILLER--HUGHES.--At the residence of the bride's mother, on New Year's Day, by the Rev. J. W. Dochstader, Mr. Robert Miller to Miss Martha Hughes, all of Acton.

BLACK--SMALL.--In West Garafraza, on the 31st ult., at Clifford, the residence of the bride's mother, by the Rev. Geo. Smellie, Capt. Robert Black to Margaret Ann, second daughter of the late Wm Small, Esq.

STEWART--HAYE.--On the 5th inst, at the house of Mr. John Harris, East Garafraza, by the Rev. Mr. Milligan, Mr. John Stewart to Miss Ann Creamer Hays.

YOUNG--DOUGLAS.--On the 6th inst, by the Rev. W. Milligan, at the house of the bride's father, W. Frederick Young to Miss Jane Douglas, all of Garafraza.

HENRY--SIM.--On the 1st inst, at the Manse, Fergus, by the Rev. J. B. Mullan, Wm. Henry to Miss Mary Sim, both of London.

WILSON--TODD.--At the residence of the bride's uncle, Fergus, by the Rev. J. B. Mullan, Udney Wilson, youngest son of Geo. B. Wilson, of Garafraza, to Harriet M. Todd, second daughter of Mr. G. H. Todd, of Fergus.

DOWNEY--SANDEBORN.--On the 1st inst, by the Rev. Wm. Hayhurst, Mr. Thomas Downey of Mount Forest, to Miss Ann Sandeborn, of Peel.

DONOHUE--BOYD.--On the 6th inst, at the residence of the bride's brother-in-law, Minto, John T. Donohue, of Wallace, to Alicia Rodgers, of Eastard.

CASIN--MORRISON.--At the Manse, Harrison, by the Rev. Geo. McLeannan, on the 25th ult., Joseph Cassin, Balaclava, to Miss Susan Morrison, of Carrick.

CHEVANS--DUNCAN.--In Howick, on Dec. 25th by the Rev. E. Barker, of Fergus, assisted by the Rev. B. Wickett, of Clifford, Mr. Wm. B. Chevans to Miss Annie Duncan, both of the Township of Hawick.

ABEL--GRIEVE.--At the residence of the bride's father, on the 1st inst, by the Rev. J. K. Hislop, Mr. John Abel, of Fergus, to Helen, eldest daughter of Mr. R. Grieve, Downie.

PRICE--MILLS.--On Dec. 30th, by the Rev. Mr. Addison, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. W. W. Price, of Elora, to Lizzie, second daughter of John Mills, of Tecumseh, and sister of the Rev. Wm. Mills, of Elora.

HALL--HARRISON.--By the Rev. R. J. Forman, at the Western Parsonage, Drayton, on Dec. 31st, Mr. Edmund Hall to Miss Mary Harrison, both of Harrison.

DIED.

HARRIS.--In Chicago, on the 29th ult., Felie Adelaide, daughter of Mr. Wm. Harris, formerly of Fergus, aged 10 months.

BETTER.--In Garafraza, on 7th inst, the wife of Mr. James Better.

SWANSTON.--In Egremont, on the 21st ult., Elizabeth, wife of Mr. John Swanston, aged 62 years and 10 months.

ROSE.--On the 6th inst, at the residence of her son, Mr. Jas. Ross, Pilkington, Mrs. Rose, widow of James Ross, Esq., late of Elora, aged 87 years.

BRUCE.--At Petrolia, on the 4th inst, Mr. Bruce, brother of Mr. Wm. Bruce, Guelph Road, aged 87 years.

MCDONALD.--In Fustich, on the 24th December, John McDonald, aged 64 years. He was a resident of Fustich since 1842.

NEW GOODS.

Electro plated Cruet Stands, elegant patterns.

Ivory handled Table and Dessert Knives.

Nickel Silver and Electro-plated Forks to suit.

Table, Dessert and Tea Spoons.

Electro-plated Butter Coolers.

Tea and Coffee Pots.

Table Napkin Rings.

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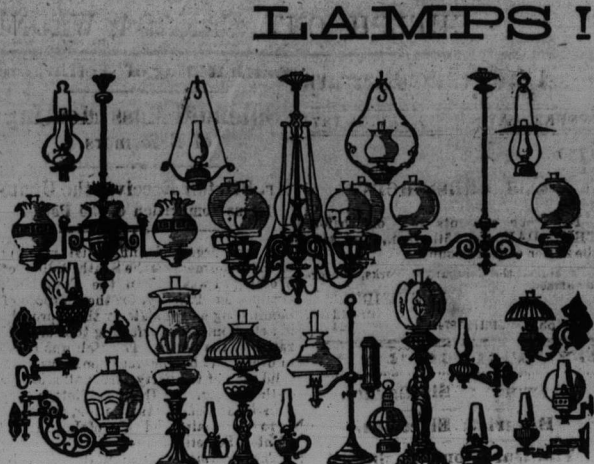
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The Rival Clansmen
A Scottish Vendetta.

CHAPTER XV.
IAN M'KENZIE AGAIN RAFFLED—BRUNTED—
A LAST COURSE!—DEATH OF OLD
M'LEOD.

The young man at once arose and went out after him. His father proceeded to a room in a different part of the Castle, and having waited until Hector should enter, closed the door, and pointed to a seat which he requested him to take.

Hector obeyed. The old man did not himself sit down, but strode through the room for some time without speaking. At length, halting in front of Hector, who regarded him curiously, he said—

"My son, after I had brought you hither to confide something to you, I had almost resolved to keep it to myself, but it would be wrong not to place you on your guard."

"What is it you would speak of, father?"

"Hector"—and, taking his hand, the old man sank on a seat beside his son as he continued—"Hector, my enemies have this time been successful—surely to their uttermost desire."

Something in tone in which the words were uttered caused the young man to wonder whether he understood aright his father's meaning.

"What do you mean?" he asked uneasily, gazing keenly into his father's face.

"My son, Ian M'Kenzie vowed to his father to have your life, and to exterminate the M'Leods. He has caused the death of the flower of the clansmen, and—and—the Chief with them."

Tears coursed down the M'Leod's cheeks. "But, father, you are alive, and in a few days will be strong again. It is the fatigue, the excitement, and the grief which have disconcerted you. But you will recover."

"Never," was the reply. "No, Hector, M'Leod will never lead his clan forth again, he will never again cross the threshold of his Castle; the bed he lays himself down upon he will never rise from."

The earnest and impressive manner in which the words were uttered, as well as a lurking conviction which he faintly would have banished from his mind that the words were indeed true, distressed the young man deeply, and he could scarcely find language to reply.

"Do you not jest, father?"

"He knew his father jesting not, but what else could he say?"

"Nay, my son, the days of my jesting are past. Listen, Hector. A week ago I fancied that I might now enjoy a season of repose and rest. The M'Kenzie—the man who had been a source of trouble, of deep deep trouble to me for years—was stricken with the hand of death; and being tired of the feud, I thought that it was likely then to end if I did not assume part of the aggressor. Donald Cameron was the first to disturb my dream by his nefarious proposal, which, despite his representations, I believe you, my son, to innocent of. Is it not so?"

"Donald Cameron's proposal? My letter! His! I remember. What did he propose?" exclaimed Hector, with eager interest, as he suddenly remembered of the letter he had written to his father at Cameron's dictation in Malrubba's Ruin.

"He asked the hand of your aunt in marriage; if I refused your life was to pay the forfeit. It was a hard struggle for both of us, Hector, but my sister rejected the proposal, and so did I. It was then, my son, that I knew that my peace was again to be broken, and before many hours, when the Witch of Bon-Lair and Gordon and the two girls arrived and told us of M'Kenzie's oath, and of his connection with your capture, I saw clearly, as though he had spoken it to me himself, the intention of Donald Cameron. Think of it for a moment, my son, in connection with M'Kenzie's vow to have your life. If I were dead, and Donald Cameron your aunt's husband, what would happen?"

"Ha," exclaimed Hector, on whose mind the truth had now dawned. "Now I see his intention. But he shall be balked, and Ian M'Kenzie is balked already."

"Hector, be not too certain. I know—much better, I hope, much better than ever you shall—the nature of the M'Kenzies. Since this young man has taken up the quarrel, it will be a struggle to the very death. I tell you, Hector, if you spare Ian M'Kenzie he will have your life. And let me tell you this also. The voice of the owner of M'Leod Castle has its weight and its influence. None know that better than does Donald Cameron; and, since he has set his mind on securing that position, expect not he will give up his intention without one more, at least, if not many an effort."

"He shall not do so unopposed, father," replied Hector, with warmth.

"Well spoken, Hector. But compose your mind, and give not way to grief when I ask you to consider that which is inevitable, and close at hand—the end of my days. The blow which I have received is more than I can bear up against; and, besides, the struggle which I had with the cold waters of Loch Maroe has left its mark upon me. I am enfeebled, exhausted. It is with an effort greater almost than I can bear that I am able to address you at present. But it is better to do so now, when I can summon the strength, than it would be when I am weaker. Now, my son, I do not wish you to do aught that is dishonourable or unmanly—nothing that is inhuman; but I shall die the more contented that you promise me what I shall ask of you."

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