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Freedom of the Press.

Referring to the number of criminal actions for libel which Hon. Alexander Mackenzie has entered against certain journals, some of his newspaper enemies are working themselves into a fever of indignation at what they term an effort to bridle the "liberty of the press." The servility of the press in France, in their minds, will be nothing compared with the condition to which the Premier is aiming to reduce the mouthpieces of public opinion in Canada, simply that his official acts may not be criticised and the truth be told of him. They see in his endeavor to defend himself from the shameful slanders and falsehoods which have been uttered against him and of him, and his effort to have condign punishment meted out to these reckless maligners of official dignity, the presence of a despot whose will is to crush out all liberties which will imperill the security of his position. Such sillines of language acts like an overdose of poison—it proves harmless while a more judicious dose might be quite effective.

We have every anxiety to see the liberty of the press maintained, but Canada has reason to congratulate itself that the intelligence of the people is such as to insist on and retain the boon of a "free press," and we have no fear that the country will ever have occasion to mourn its loss. Unfortunately, however,—and of this fact, Canadian intelligence is so cognizant as to condemn it heartily and deservedly—the freedom thus vouchsafed is prostituted by numerous unscrupulous persons, to the shame of the profession and the confusion of the authority which has the control of this boon. Libels are uttered against individuals, personal integrity is slandered, virtue is robbed of its purity by the maligning pen of the unscrupulous author, and the privileges of free criticism, honorable condemnation and the utterance of powerful language rounded by "saving clauses," as known in the law of libel, are completely ignored that the author may give full swing to his vindictive pen, and, as Mark Tapley said, "take liberties with Liberty herself." To utter a word in defence of such journalism, or to accuse any one of "liberty-gagging" for defending himself from the outbursts of such journalists, is to counsel a principle which would not be much less fatal to the future of law and order than Free Love or Communism. When Mr. Mackenzie's personal integrity was directly assailed he felt that, in justice to himself, since his own statements in denial were not regarded, he should vindicate himself before the courts, where his enemies would be forced to accept his denials of the charges preferred against him, and an impartial judge should decide between them. Any man would have sought such satisfaction, but further than this Mr. Mackenzie's position as Premier is assailed and its dignity offended. The offenders should be doubly punished. They have forgotten to be gentlemen in the profession, have prostituted their privileges and uttered, in their reckless language a condemnation of the trust given them. The associating circumstance of political difference of opinion offers no extenuation, for whatever may be the latitude given in criticising public men, libelling does not come within the pale.

The latitude of expression given to the press is great, and one of its limits is partially defined by the law respecting libel. Though so indefinite its limits may be readily comprehended by honest, intelligent, law and order loving editors; and while these will escape libel suits, they will have the fairest opportunities to criticise and condemn. Some papers have sought a reputation by courting a libel suit, counting it a cheap mode of winning notoriety and advertising themselves abroad. Such tactics are only to be condemned with indignation, and, as from them for the most part comes the wail about the freedom of the press, he cry is only fit to be laughed at.

As a similie of stability, the Eddystone lighthouse long continued, but now it is about to go the way of all human works. It took many years of ingenious labor and perseverance to plant this work securely on its rocky foundation, and since 1759, the year it was completed, it has stood a monument to Smeaton's skill. It is not, however, that the masonry has proved deficient—that is apparently as sound as ever—but the rock upon which it is placed has become so undermined as to necessitate the destruction of the lighthouse. Another and larger building, to accommodate a more powerful light and a fog whistle will be erected in its place.

The Turco-Russian War.

The English people are unmistakably and naturally friendly to the Ottoman power in the present struggle, and the pleasure evinced on receipt of late news from the scene of operations at Plevna was hearty and uncontrollable. Though giving no moral countenance to the Turkish cause as a government, England regards the hypocritical Russian crusade in its proper light, and by virtue of old relationship and the instinct that sympathises with the weaker and defensive party in a struggle—though the latter may be guilty of many offences against christian laws—she is looked upon as the friend of Turkey. She is indeed, so far as the desire to see her hold her own in this war of defence, but her better feeling prompts her to wish that the country may become so exhausted in this struggle as to compel the country to become an *attache* of some other European power, which will give guarantees for her future good conduct.

During last week the contest in the Shipka Pass was lost sight of in the midst of the more important events transpiring about Plevna. Suleiman Pasha has not yet succeeded in clearing the pass, although his troops gained another victory on Thursday and dismounted a battery on Friday. Gradually he is hemming in his enemy, and making his position daily more untenable.

In the early part of last week the Turkish prospects at Plevna were anything but bright. Osman Pasha has sustained a severe siege, although in his protected position he has been enabled to give mere knocks than he got. A determined assault was made by the Russian forces on Tuesday, on three redoubts which were considered the key to Osman Pasha's position, and after a desperate struggle were taken. These redoubts were said to greatly imperil Plevna, as they commanded the town. On the following day, however, two of the redoubts were recaptured, and the remaining one is so covered by the Turkish artillery as to be almost untenable, and is heaped with dead and wounded Russians, the fire being so hot as to prevent ambulance trains or physicians reaching the spot. Osman Pasha has also defeated a body of the enemy sent to cut off his reinforcements coming by the Sofia Road, and has this important route open to him. It is further reported that the Turks at this position are on the offensive, and in an engagement with the forces investing Plevna inflicted a serious defeat with a loss of 5,000 men. It is at least known that the Russian losses at this point have been very heavy, they confessing that since 7th Sept. they have lost 300 officers and 12,500 men.

Mehemet Ali's forces have been very successful, and the Czarevitch's army is retreating before their onward march. South of the Balkans a terrible state of affairs exist. From Adrianople to the Balkans the country is fever-stricken, the towns are like pest houses, and the stench from putrefying bodies, in some places, is frightful.

A report from St. Petersburg states that an attempt to assassinate the Czar has been discovered.

LATER.

Since the above was in type the news comes that Sulieman Pasha has become master of the Shipka Pass and formed a junction with Mehemet Ali. The Russian losses before Plevna are confirmed, and their position is precarious.

The Show.

Entries up to noon of Tuesday were coming in in great numbers, and there is a prospect of a magnificent exhibition. The preparations are now completed, the pens being all in position, the offices erected and everything in apple-pie order. The hall looks very tasteful, the annex being two stories high, finished in a manner which gives a fine appearance to the interior.

Those having entries to make, should make them to-day (Wednesday), as an extra charge of 25 cents will be made on entries made the following day. The Secretary will be in attendance to-day at the Court House, in Mr. Adamson's office, to receive entries.

The question of a successor to Brigham Young has been a question fraught with much importance to the Mormons. It was understood that the dead prophet looked fondly upon his first-born as the successor to the honors and emoluments of the chief position among the people, but the people are opposed to hereditary succession, and the younger Brigham has not the qualifications for the position. Taking example by the action of the ruling apostles at the time of the martyred Smith, the twelve ruling apostles recently proceeded to supply the vacancy, and, as they have publicly and solemnly declared, have consulted with the Lord and found his choice to be John Taylor, one of the oldest elders of the church and a zealous and fanatical man. In consequence this man has been declared the leader of the church, and all prophetic visions of the Mormon future will come through him, all divine communications and the power to adjust all matters of dispute. In the manifesto sent abroad to declare this divine choice to the faithful, a special injunction was embodied to forward the tithes to the church authorities as of yore. Unfortunately for the integrity of the Mormon community, dissension prevails, and this thin, spiritual-in-myeye procedure is not swallowed by the faithful ones. One party of the church strongly favors Arson Pratt, while discontent with the government generally prevails. The extent of this disorganization is such as to warrant the belief of a speedy disruption in this disgraceful community, which will result in their final extinction.

Mr. Plumb has been exhibiting at the Amherstburg pic-nic what purported to be a picture of the famous Neebing Hotel, at Fort William, purchased recently by the Government. This picture represents the hotel as built on posts and little more than a shanty in appearance, whereas when it was bought it was fully completed, built on a stone foundation and comparatively well finished. Mr. Plumb's tactics are disgraceful. It has been shown how absurd is the cry about the excessive price paid for it, by the letter which the hotel company sent to the Government offering to purchase back the building at the price paid for it. But anything to beat the Government is a motto which will not brook a regard for these details.

Sir John on protection is hard to be understood. At the Cobourg pic-nic he said that what the country wanted was "a small increased protection," which the *Mail* remodelled into "moderate and sufficient protection." At Napanee he declared that since we could not have reciprocity of trade with the United States, we "should have reciprocity of tariffs." How consistent these statements are! how uncertain this man is in his policies. Think of a reciprocity of tariffs, a monstrosity varying from 400 to 30 per cent., and compare it with his other statement of the necessities of the country. Truly his protective policy is strangely and wonderfully made.

Mr. Plumb has explained the matter at length, and he has the country's thanks therefor. At the Lindsay pic-nic he was asked what protection to farmers meant, and, in the words of the *Mail*, he replied that "it meant that farmers should be in a position to have a rotation of crops." And among the other good results flowing therefrom, Mr. Plumb may yet inform the world that it means the power to raise dried apples by sewing the parings.

A 200 lb. bear was shot by Mr. J. McDonald, of lot 1, con. 13, Luther, one day last week.

ATHOLCOTT RANGE.

HURON RIFLES AT THE BUTTS.

A good Day's Shooting.

CO. 3, SEAFORTH, WINS THE CUP.

WINNING SCORE, 174.

The annual shooting match of Huron Battalion took place at Atholcott range, near Clinton, on Monday last. The attendance was better than usual, seven companies being represented. Among those present were Col. Ross, M.P.P., Majors Cooke, Connor and Murray and nearly all the officers of the Battalion. Although threatening, the weather proved favorable, there being no strong winds and no dazzling lights to puzzle the vision. As a consequence the shooting was a decided improvement over last year, although to the fact that a different mode of counting was adopted this year is in a great measure due the improved scores. Last year the winning score by Brussels Co. for the cup was 159, while this year Seaforth carried it off by a score of 174. Private Wynn of the Brussels Co. made the highest score in this match, namely 39 out of a possible 40.

There were two targets used, and the contest was ended in good season, although Major Cooke and the markers were kept busy throughout the afternoon. Mr. Pike, of Clinton, furnished refreshments on the ground of an excellent kind, and was generously patronized. The affair passed off very pleasantly, and very satisfactorily.

The following are the scores of the various matches, furnished us through the kindness of Major Cooke:—

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Capt. Wilson, Co. 3		86	88
Sergt. Major Scott, Co. 4		73	70
Pte Wynn, Co. 5		77	82
Capt. Howard, Co. 6		68	54
— McDonald, Co. 7		75	75
Corp. Roberts, Co. 8		69	50

OFFICERS' MATCH.

Three rounds at each range.

	Prize.	200	400
Capt. C. Wilson	88	13	11
Lieut. J. Wilson	4	13	10
Capt. B. Wilson	2	9	12
Capt. Howard	2	7	10

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS' MATCH.

Three rounds at each range.

	Prize.	200	400
Sergt Munro	30	8	14
Sergt Campbell	7	9	13
Corp. Home	6	10	11
Sergt Leary	5	5	15
Sergt Scott	4	10	10
Sergt McDonald	3	9	10
Sergt McDougall	2	7	10
Sergt Miller	1	6	8

PRIVATES' MATCH.

Three rounds at each range.

	Prize.	200	400
H. McLean	21	11	12
J. Wilson	10	11	12
— Roberts	9	10	12
— Parker	8	9	12
A. McDonald	7	11	10
— Sanderson	6	11	9
W. Wilson	5	9	10
— Muttart	4	8	10
— Pike	3	9	9
— Wynn	2	9	9
— Watson	1	7	10

ALL COMERS' MATCH.

Five rounds at 200 yds.

	Prize.	Score.
Parker	67	24
Robson	6	21
McDougall	5	20
Capt. C. Wilson	4	19
A. Wilson	3	19
Campbell	2	18
Cavan	1	18

THREE YEARS' SERVICE MATCH.

Three rounds at two ranges.

	Prize.	200	400
Pike	8	9	11
Bissett	8	12	9
J. F. Roberts	7	12	9
W. Wilson	6	11	9
Grassick	5	12	8
Sheppard	4	12	8
Proctor	3	8	11
Sanderson	2	11	8
Wynn	1	11	8

The resignation of the License Inspector of the County of Brant, on account of his inability to enforce the provisions of the Dunkin Act, has created considerable excitement in that neighborhood. It is known that the violations have been many and open since the adoption of the measure, and the inspector, with the aid of two detectives, worked up over a hundred cases which were to have been heard last week. However a mob attended the police court, and so abused and threatened the detectives that they left for Toronto refusing to go on with the cases, and now the inspectors resignation allows them to fall to the ground. This may be a triumph for the liquor party, but it is obtained as the result of disgraceful means, a triumph of mob force. Where such untamable elements of opposition exist, it may be well to repeal the measure and enforce the Crooks' Act with all possible rigor; but we do not think the people will consent to so soon deserting the ship, but will insist on a further trial of the Dunkin Bill that this opposition against the will of the majority be broken.

At the recent meeting in Orangeville of representative men of the municipalities interested in the broadening of the gauge of the Toronto, Grey & Bruce Railway, the attendance was quite large. The feeling was unanimous in favor of the scheme, and committees were appointed to discuss and present it to the various municipalities with the object of securing the needed assistance to carry out the work. Resolutions were adopted, requesting that the government be appealed to for aid. Among the delegates were representatives from Walkerton and Kincardine, all of whom strongly urged the continuation of the road to their respective localities, but the proposal to continue it to Wingham met with the greatest favor.

A Mr. Frazer has been going through the country of late, speaking on protection, but so tempering his utterances as to present Sir John as the only and true advocate of that policy, and urging a large attendance of those interested at a meeting to be held in Toronto to discuss the matter. So hollow were the man's pretensions, that his pilgrimage of late has been utterly devoid of success.

It is announced that Mr. Andrew Monteith, the present member for North Perth in the Commons, will not again be brought forward as a candidate. And the query is, why should so faithful a supporter of Sir John be cast aside by his party? It may be that they see more clearly with the old Scotchman who said, "He's no' just sae forehanded, ye ken; but he's gran' to tak snuff."

Her Majesty had been pleased to confer the honor of Knighthood upon Chief Justice Richards of Ottawa, Chief Justice Dorion of Quebec and Chief Justice Robertson of Prince Edward Island. Sir Knight will get to be as common as Squire soon.

ANNUAL DRILL.

GODERICH GARRISON BATTERY ON DUTY.

GUN AND RIFLE PRACTICE.

PRESENTATION.

The Goderich Garrison Battery has just ended an exceedingly interesting annual drill. The Battery turned out 34 strong, with two officers, Major J. Thomson and Lieut. T. Dixon. Nearly two thirds of the men were recruits, and owing to the fact of it being two years since they were out, many of the men were away and the terms of service of some had expired. Only four days elapsed from the time of turning out till inspection by Col. Irvine, Inspector of Artillery for the Dominion, and Commandant of the School of Gunnery at Kingston, yet in this short time the men had acquired a knowledge of the drill which they did remarkably well. As they passed along the street to and from their gun drill, their marching was excellent.

On Wednesday, in the presence of the Colonel, each gun detachment was put through the gun drill, which they did in a very creditable manner. Then ten men were chosen to fire at a target, four rounds each, two of solid shot and one of common and one of diaphram shell. The target was a packing box fixed on a raft with a flag staff and flag, out on the lake, twelve hundred yards distant. The inspecting officer desired Major Thomson to fire two trial shots, in order to give the men the proper distance and elevation. The first shot went directly over the target, and the second cut down the flagstaff amid great cheering. The firing of the ball and shell of different detachments was good, several of the shots striking the target, and the shells, bursting in the right place, tore the target into fragments.

Trumpeter Parker won the first prize, $3, Sergt. Stewart second, $2.50; Corp. McCaig third, $2; Sergt. Major Bates fourth, $1.50; and Sergt. Miller fifth, $1.

At the conclusion of the practice, Col. Irvine complimented the battery very highly on their accuracy and the expedition with which they loaded and laid the gun, one detachment firing two shots and two shells in 5.59 minutes.

On Thursday, the last day of drill, the battery marched over to Mr. Attrill's flats for rifle practice, fifteen rounds each having been served out. The practice was fair, the battery medal being won by Gunner Pennington. On the same evening the men mustered in the armory, and returned the arms and clothing into store and received their pay. Before breaking up, Sergt. Miller, on behalf of the battery, presented Major Thomson with a beautiful silver cup and urn, together with an address, after which three cheers were given for Major Thomson and three for the Queen, and the men dispersed until another call. The address was as follows:

To Major Jas. Thomson, Commanding G. G. B.

Dear Sir,—The undersigned officers and privates of the Goderich Garrison Battery, who have the honor of being under your command, cannot allow this occasion to pass without giving an expression of the esteem in which you are held by every man in the battery. You have always taken the utmost interest in its welfare, have spared no pains to bring it to its present state of efficiency, and the highly complimentary manner in which it was, lem of by Col. Irvine was, we are convinced, due entirely to your efforts. Each of us has felt it an agreeable task to obey your commands, and whatever inefficiency there may be in the battery we know you are not responsible for it; and should the time unfortunately come when the best blood of the country is required in its defence, we have confidence that you are the right man to lead us, assured as we are of the abilities you possess, and the kindness of heart which every officer should show to those under his command. As a small memento of this occasion will you permit us to present you with this silver cup, with the best wishes for your future welfare and the efficiency of the Goderich Garrison Battery.

Sergt. A. Miller,
On behalf of the Battery.

MAJOR THOMSON'S REPLY.

Members of the Battery.—This too flattering address, accompanied with this beautiful present, has taken me completely by surprise. I can assure you one and all that I accept it as it is given, a memento of this our annual drill and of the kindly feelings that you have expressed toward me, and I am quite sure those sentiments are genuine, as no order I have given but what has been cheerfully obeyed. But I cannot lay claim to the whole of the credit you have given me in bringing the Battery to its present state of efficiency, for as you well know, over one-half of our number are for the first time in the ranks; and had I not had the assistance of three noncommisioned officers who have qualified themselves by attending the School of Gunnery, I could not have possibly succeeded so well, and I wish to thank those noncommissioned officers for their assistance on this occasion; and I would say that when the time for the next annual drill comes I hope that circumstances will be such that I can have the same men around me again, so that we may be able to bring the company to a greater degree of perfection than can possibly be done in the short time allowed.—Allow me again to thank you for the beautiful present, and the kind sentiments expressed.

Legal Notes.

Sentenced. — Charles Sinclair, for threatening was sentenced on Tuesday to one days' imprisonment.

Liquor Case.—George Knox, of Clinton, was brought before C. Crabb, Esq., on Tuesday, charged with selling liquor without license and fined $20 and costs.

Chambers.—Judge Squier will hold chambers every morning during September at 10 a. m., and if no applications are made before 10:30, chambers will be closed for the day—Judge Toms will sit in chambers next month.

Chancery Court.—The fall sittings of the Chancery Court opened in the Court House before Hon. Vice Chancellor Blake, at 11 a. m. on Tuesday. The list of causes comprised eight suits, the counsel on either side being local members of the bar with the exception of Mr. Bethune of London. John Boyd, Q. C., and D. B. McLennan, Q. C., of Toronto, were present. A stenographer was in attendance to report the evidence. We are unable this week to report any of the business transacted.

BEN MILLER.

Runaway. — On Wednesday, 12th inst., as Mr. Jesse Snyder was returning from Goderich, having occasion to call at Mr. Moore's shop, he left his team standing outside. The horses getting their heads entangled in the lines started to run. Mrs. Snyder, who was in the waggon at the time, noticing the horses starting, jumped out and received some severe bruises in falling. The team ran due north for about two miles, and on being stopped it was found no damage was done.

Improvements—Mr. Jonathan Miller has erected a large addition to his hotel, which is now nearly ready to be occupied. Part of the new building has been fitted up for a grocery store and post office. Last summer Mr. Miller increased his stabling accommodation, so that in every particular the Benmiller Hotel is now a first-class stopping place.

—Mr. John Stewart, with his usual enterprise in his line of business, has enlarged his greenhouse by one third, making it now one of the largest west of Toronto. Mr. Stewart finds increased accommodation necessary in order to supply the demands of his customers.

Thursday, November 22, is to be generally recognized as a day of public thanksgiving throughout Canada, the five western provinces having consented to the recognition of that day.

The miners' strike in the Lehigh region of Pennsylvania is at an end.

Local News.

ABOUT TOWN.

Cool Burgess.—This famed comedian exhibits in Oddfellows' Hall on Thursday and Friday evenings.

Don't forget that J. W. Weatherald has engaged Prof. Marquis Chisholm to play for him at the fall show here on the 20th and 21st inst.

Market Fees.—The Goderich market fees for the ensuing year will be sold by auction at Truesman's auction mart, on Saturday next at noon.

Welcome.—Mr. Rogers, formerly of the Toronto *National*, has assumed the editorial chair, in the sanctum of the *Star*. We hope and expect our relations with him will be as agreeable as with his predecessor.

New Dress.—The old Toronto *Leader* has donned a new dress and looks as airy as a deacon in a bathing costume. With the display of a proper degree of enterprise in its news departments, the one-time prestige of the journal might again be restored.

Lumber Notes.—The shipments last week were: Williams & Murray, 8 cars; Secord, Cozzens & Co., 29 cars; Wm. Lee, 4 cars; Wm. Seymour & Co., 7 cars oak timber. Receipts—Williams & Murray, 128,000 ft, by schr. Todman, and a cargo by barge Mary Robertson for Secord & Cozzens.

Fainted. — On Friday afternoon, while Mr. D. Doty was at work in his office he suddenly fainted away. The ordinary restoratives were applied by those present, and Dr. Cassady was called in. In a short time Mr. Doty recovered consciousness but remained in a weak state for some time. He is now quite recovered.

Manhattan Smart.— Work is progressing steadily, a depth of 51 feet having been reached with no sign of the rock further than the presence of huge boulders. The engine house is making good progress towards completion, the four boilers being ready to place in position. Gangs of men are working night and day at the shaft.

Harper's Monthly.—The October number is to hand, as interesting as ever. An illustrated article entitled a journey from Brisa to Constantinople, giving a remarkably finesketch of the Turkish country is very entertaining at the present moment. Its other contents are selected with the usual care, and the illustrations are numerous and very fine. For sale at the bookstores.

Au Revoir.—It is with regret that we announce the departure from town and the severance of his connection with our town cotemporary of Mr. C. W. A. Dedrickson. During the time he has resided in town and in his journalistic capacity he has made many warm friends by his geniality and gentlemanly manners, and these will regret to learn of his departure. Our relationship with him has been of the most agreeable character, and we are sincere in the wish that in his new field of employment he may find much pleasure as he finds increased pecuniary benefit.

History of the Dominion.—Parts five and six of Tuttle's Illustrated History of the Dominion have been received, bringing the record to the warlike operations of 1760. The double steel engravings in each number are exquisite representations of Canadian scenery, and the several wood engravings are stirring sketches of the important battles of those days. Ten portraits of famed Canadians are also given, and altogether the numbers form excellent parts of what promises to be a magnificient complete work. The work is not expensive, costing 50 cents a number, and will form an elegant and valuable addition to Canadian libraries.

Peaches.—This fruit has proved an excellent crop this year, and they are selling very cheap, but we doubt if they will this season sell cheaper than they did on Friday evening. Mr. Fred Hutty brought a large lot from Toronto, and being very ripe they were sold at $1 per basket to run them off. But a good many baskets remained in the evening, when Mr. G. M. Trueman was called in and he auctioned them off at an average of about 50 cts per basket. The fruit is unusually large. Mr. Geo. Cox, of this office, has a number of the Crawford variety which measure 7½ inches in circumference.

New Drug Store.—Mr. James Wilson, a duly qualified chemist, formerly of Mr. George Cattle's drug store, has started business as a chemist and druggist in Cooke's old stand, which has been handsomely fitted up for the purpose. He is displaying a full stock of drugs, chemicals, fresh dye-stuffs, and fancy articles in the toilet line, and other things commonly found in a drug store. Some very fine cigars and tobaccos are offered for sale. Mr. Wilson will make the dispensing of prescriptions an especial line of his business, and having had four years experience with Mr. Cattle is capable of giving satisfaction in this line. He recently passed his examination and has the diploma of the Ontario College of Pharmacy.

A Long Journey.—A little girl, eleven years old, very lightly clad and barefooted applied at the jail on Wednesday forenoon to be permitted to see her father, Gen. May, who was serving a term of one month for abusing his wife. She was admitted at once, and the father's surprise and pleasure were genuine, the more so when he learned that the little one had walked the greater portion of the way on foot. The girl left her home in Exeter on the previous Monday evening, and walked along the track towards Clinton until it got dark, when she lay down in the grass by the way and slept until morning. The journey was resumed early on Tuesday, and maintained until the vicinity of Clinton was reached late in the evening. During the day she had nothing to eat but beech nuts which she gathered in the woods, but she was taken in by a kindly famer's wife in the evening, kept over night and forwarded to her distination next morning, in a buggy. She was kept for a short time in the gaol, where she made herself very useful and proved herself a bright intelligent little one. On Thursday the mother arrived and took the child, much against her wish, home again.

The Model School.—On Friday afternoon G. W. Ross, Esq., M. P., Inspector of Model Schools, paid his first official visit to the school here. The scholars were dismissed for the afternoon, and the teachers and Model school pupils assembled in the Principal's class room. The visitors present were: Col. Ross, M. P. P., Rev. Dr. Ure, J. R. Miller, I. P. S., Messrs. C. Crabb, Jas. Buchanan, Geo. Swanson of the School Board, Messrs. H. I Strang and S. P. Halls of the High School, and Mr. J. T. Duncan. The Inspector examined and lectured the class for about an hour and a half, and expressed himself pleased with their proficiency, considering the shortness of the time since the opening of the school and the comparative inexperience of the new system on the part of the tutor, which had been attained, Mr. Ross stated that it had first been the Government's intention to establish three Normal Schools in the Province for the instruction of teachers, and the present system was adopted temporarily, but he thought it would prove more effective and successful in turning out efficient teachers. He had heard some complaints against compelling pupils to this further labor before securing certificates, when candidates before them hod gone directly into schools after passing the regular examination. There was no reason, however, to find fault with this apprenticeship; it was for the benefit of the schools. In England teachers had to serve an apprenticeship of five years. Each teacher would have the satisfaction —unknown to former beginners— of doing a good days' work the first day on which they taught school Mr. Ross gave the class several lessons in teaching and arranging classes and the general management of schools together with a few remarks on school hygiene. At the conclusion, remarks were made by Mr. J. R. Miller, a number of the teachers present and by Messrs. Crabb and Swanson, after which the class was dismissed.

Dead.—Mr. A. M. Stewart, of Montreal, the occupant of Bellevue Place, died of Bright's disease on Sunday.

Harbor Mills.—The shipments last week were: 3 cars and 206 bags bran, one car shorts and 2760 bags flour.

Shipment of Stock.—Last week Mr. Wm. McClain shipped to Buffalo 640 lambs. Mr. Geo. Hamilton also shipped to the same point a car load of hogs.

The Canadian Edition of Hamblin Smith's Arithmetic (authorized) is now ready at Moorhouse,—price 75 cts., Free by post for 80 cts.

Crowded Out.—More "flat earth" news has been received from Mr. W. G. Smith, for which our readers may hold themselves in readiness for next week.

Personal.—M. C. Cameron, Esq., Q. C., will conduct the Crown business at the approaching assizes in London.

—Mr. J. R. Miller, I. P. S., on Monday left for Belleville to attend a convention of school inspectors there.

Prof. Ormsby's Singing Class.—This class is greatly increasing in number. The names now reach 110. Mrs. Marquis Chisholm's voice secured much pleasure to the young folks at last rehearsal.

Navigation. — Among the receipts last week were 26,400 bushels oats by the M. C. Cameron, consigned to A. Armitage, Seaforth; and 1260 bbls land plaster, by Scow Iosco from Alabaster, for Toronto.

Saline Notes.—The shipments last week were: Wm. Campbell, 500 bbls; Wm. Lee, 202 bbls; S. Platt, 210 bbls; Wm. Seymour, 200 bbls to Winnipeg; Wm. Stitt, 100 bbls to Fishing Islands. Mr. Campbell has orders for about, 2000 bbls to go by water.

Out in the Storm.—On Tuesday the scow Iosco, while making this port signalled for help, when the tug Maytham went to her assistance through a very heavy sea. Nothing was wrong further than that the captain of the scow did not know the entrance to the harbor and was afraid to try it in no stiff a gale, She was brought in without trouble,

Boat Launch.—Mr. Jas. Strachan has placed one of his patent boat launches on the dock, on the inner side of the checkwater. It worked exceedingly well, its operation being viewed by a large number of captains and vessel owners who pronounced the machine an excellent invention and just the thing needed.

Voters' Lists.—The appeals against the printed voters' lists of the town have been filed and number as follows: Conservatives—To be put on, 28; struck off, 12; corrections, 8. Reformers—To be put on, 9; to be struck off, 6; corrections, 1. A number of other appeals of an unimportant character have also been entered.

Removal.—Mrs. John McIntosh, jr., has removed her grocery store to the premises formerly occupied by Mr. R. Proudfoot, on East street. Her stock has been thoroughly replenished, and in regard to price and quality cannot be excelled. Call and inspect for yourselves.

Accident. — On Tuesday forenoon, while John Brophy and Andrew Williamson were working on a scaffold in Ogilvie & Hutchison's salt block, the frame gave way precipitating them to the floor. Mr. Brophy had his left leg dislocated at the ankle and sustained a slight fracture, while Mr. Williamson escaped with a severe shaking. Drs. McLean and Taylor attended the injured men,

General Freight. — The following shipments were made last week, among others:—G. Maedel, 787 lbs. wool; S. Andrews, 3 bbls. tallow; Jas. Thomson, 55 pieces composition stone; Robt. McLean, 4 bbls. tallow; C. Reeve, 1720 lbs. junk; Kirkpatrick, Bro. & Co., 10 rolls leather; D. Campbell, 2 bbls. fish oil; Wm. Mitchell, 280 lbs. wool.

Distinguished Visitors.—On Saturday Sir Henry Tyler, one of the English Directors of the Grand Trunk Co., in company with Messrs. Jos. Hickson, P. Hannaford, W. J. Spicer and other Canadian magnates of the road visited Goderich on a tour of inspection. Everything about the station looked "spick and span" on the occasion, and the visitors were much pleased with the appearance of things. Sir Henry Tyler says the portion of the road from Stratford to Goderich looks much better than any other portion of the road.

An Ugly Fall.—On Tuesday forenoon Charlie, son of Capt. Fred West, of the Albion Hotel, a lad about five years old, met with a painful accident. He is a venturesome little fellow, and had got on a narrow ledge outside the railing of the pizza on the second floor, and while walking along lost his balance and fell to the sidewalk. The height was about fifteen feet, but strange to say no bones were broken although the little fellow's body was badly bruised and he may have sustained internal injuries, Dr. McMicking is in attendance.

Complimentary.—Speaking of educational matters in Muskoka, the Parry Sound *North Star* thus alludes to the visit of Mr. J. R. Miller, I. P. S., and Mr. S. P. Halls to that section this summer: "J. R. Miller, Esq., Public School Inspector for the County of Huron, whose talents are evidently well appreciated by the Educational Department of our country, having been appointed to organize, remodel, and stimulate educational matters in our district, has lately paid us a visit. He has, we are happy to say, most thoroughly and efficiently performed the duties which Government laid upon him. Arriving in our midst on Saturday the 18th ult., he started on the 20th on his tour of inspection, accompanied by Mr. S. P. Halls of the Goderich High School. Travelling through the townships of Foley, Humphrey, Monteith, Spence, Ryerson, Croft, Hagerman, McKellar, Ferguson, and Carling, he returned to McDougall, where he finished his arduous and toilsome labours by examining the school of Parry Sound village." The report proceeds with the business of the examination, and further on alludes to a meeting of the Teacher's Institute of the section, at which both the above gentlemen delivered lectures on various educational topics, and in the evening at a conversazione Mr. Miller 'sketched briefly and ably the educational system of Canada."

LOCAL JOTTINGS.

—Thos. McDonald, of Seaforth, has been appointed judge of saddlery at the Provincial.

—John Thorp's team drew 8,000 lbs flax five miles, to the Seaforth mill recently.

—The Lucknow *Sentinel* has resumed the old convenient four-page shape again.

—Messrs. Aikens & Fleming, of Clinton, have rented Colles' mill at Manchester.

—Stapleton salt works is shipping considerable quantities of salt in bulk and barrels by G. W. R. from Clinton.

Messrs. Petty & Shillenlaw shipped recently from Hensall station, 805 sheep and lambs for New York.

—Jas. Kerr, jr., of Brussels, is wanted for taking a span of horses and wagon from his father's premises.

—Two blacklegs practicing their little devices at the Brussels races lately, were fined $5 each and costs.

—The apple crop is reported to be a complete failure in the vicinity of Centralia.

—Mr. Thos Logie, a former resident in the vicinity of Exeter, dropped dead while walking from church homeward, recently, in London.

—Mungo Wallace, jr., while working on Stretton's new building, Brussels, a few days ago fell a distance of 24 ft, breaking one of his arms near the wrist.

—G. Johnson and John. Anderson, of Stanley, who three years ago, located in Dakota Territory, this year have 1650 bushels of wheat and 800 bushels of barley, 2,000 bushels of oats and peas, 80 head of good cattle, and a large stock of hogs. In connection with their farm they run a good store.

—Wingham wants a High School.

—The Wingham Quoiting Club played for a silver medal on Monday.

—The assessment rate has been fixed in Stephen at 3½ mills in the dollar.

—Large quantities of wheat have already been marketed in Centralia.

—Over thirty appeals have been entered against the Wingham voters' list.

—Geo. E. Evans has been made station master at Wingham, vice N. Hargwood, resigned.

—John Knutson's tailor shop in Wroxeter was entered by a burglar on Tuesday night and a coat stolen.

—Geo. Stickrod, shoemaker of Hills' Green, recently had a pitchfork run into his thigh. He is recovering.

—John Fisher Esq., recently sold a number of lots adjoining Wingham, by auction, about $1000 being netted. Acre lots averaged a little over $100.

—A series of gospel temperance meetings was concluded in Wingham on Monday last week, when 150 had taken the pledge.

—The Teeswater Reform Convention will be held on the 24th inst. Messrs. Blake, Mackenzie, Cartwright, Mowat and others are expected to be present.

—James Walkinshaw, 2nd con. Hullett, has a sample of white mane oats, the heads of which are over a foot long, and there being 20 stalks, the product of one seed.

—From one bushel and three pecks of seed, sowed by John McConnell, on his farm in Morris, 75 bushels of oats were realized.

—The *Vidette* says:—We understand that Dan Moran is going to Utah to secure one of the deceased chief's wives. Success to yez, Dan. Butter take the lot.

—Mr. Thos. Nellans, of Hullett, has purchased from Mr. Alexander Robinson, the south half of lot 5, con. 11, Hullett, for $2,000.

—Thos. Reilly, a few days ago, was thrown from the back of a horse, on the farm of Geo. Sproul, Tuckersmith, and had several ribs broken by the animal tramping on him.

—Henry Carter, of lot 42, 13th con., Hullett, last week pulled a potato vine that had grown to the extraordinary

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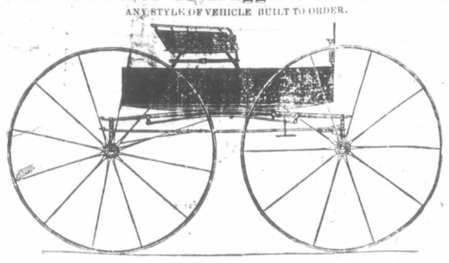

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CLINTON.

A BAD BITE.—While killing a pig last week, Mr. James Towsley had two of the fingers of his left hand badly bitten by the animal. The flesh was almost taken off the bone.

REV. P. STRAITH, son of our townsman, left on Tuesday for Battleford, Manitoba, to which place he has been appointed by the Home Mission Society connected with the Presbyterian Church.

A PROFITABLE ACRE.—Mr. Stevens, of the Bennmiller gardens, informs us that he will this year have about 400 bushels of tomatoes off a little more than an acre of ground. As the average price at which these will be sold, will be about 75 cents per bushel, any one can easily see what a profitable yield this is.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—We regret to learn of the death of Mrs. Eakin, wife of Rev. Jos. Eakin, formerly Presbyterian minister at Kippen, but more lately of Parkhill. About two weeks since Mr. Eakin and family were on their way to Whitby, and while crossing a street in Toronto, Mrs. Eakin having one of her children in her arms, was struck on the head by a team of horses and knocked down. She was at once conveyed to a hotel, and medical aid afforded her. Shortly after the journey was proceeded with, Mrs. Eakin, although feeling unwell, expressing the belief that she would be all right before long. Arriving at Whitby, her injuries were found to be more serious than at first supposed, and in a few days death ended her sufferings.—*New Era.*

BIRTHS.

In Colborne, on Sept. 14th, the wife of Andrew Green, of a son.

At Goderich, on the 13th inst., the wife of Mr. James Green, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

In Seaforth, on Sept. 13, at the residence of Mr. O. C. Willson, brother of the bride, by Rev. T. Goldsmith, Mr. James Scott, of Seaforth, to Miss Ellen Aunt Jane, youngest daughter of Jacob Willson, Esq., of Colborne.

At Port Albert, on 14th Sept., at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. R. W. Leitch, Mr. Wm. Carey to Miss Annie Quaid, all of Port Albert.

DEATHS.

In Goderich, on the 16th inst., at the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. James Thomson, Mr. James Collins, aged 84 years.

In Goderich, on 9th Sept., Mr. P. F. Walker, aged 49 years and 6 months.

In the township of Colborne, on the 10th inst., William Franklin, son of Andrew Duff, teacher, aged 13 months and 17 days.

THE MARKETS

GODERICH, Sept. 18, 1877.

Gold 1.03¾. Salt, per bbl 90 to $1.00 retail; wholesale 65 to 75.

Wheat, (Fall) ℔ bush. (new)	$1 20	@	1 22½
Wheat, (Spring) ℔ bush	1 12½	@	1 15
Flour, (per brl.)	6 00	@	7 00
Oats, ℔ bush	0 28	@	0 32
Peas, ℔ bush	0 [illegible]	@	0 65
Barley, ℔ bush	45	@	0 50
Potatoes, ℔ bush	0 25	@	0 35
Hay, per ton	7 00	@	16 00
Chickens	0 10	@	0 15
Butter, ℔ lb	0 16	@	0 18
Eggs ℔ doz (unpacked)	0 11	@	0 12½
Hides	5 00	@	5 00
Wool	0 50	@	0 60
Corn, per bush	0 65	@	65
Bran, per ton	13 00	@	11 00
Middlings, per ton	15 00	@	17 00

CLINTON, Sept. 17, 1877.

Wheat, (Fall) per bush	$1 15	@	1 20
Wheat, (Spring) per bush	1 05	@	1 10
Flour, (per brl)	6 00	@	6 50
Oats, per bush	30	@	35
Peas, per bush	60	@	65
Barley, per bush	0 55	@	60
Potatoes, per bush	0 25	"	0 30
Butter	0 16	"	0 17
Eggs, per doz. (unpacked)	0 12	"	0 12½
Hay	9 00	"	10 00
Sheep skins	1 00	"	1 50
Hides	5 00	"	5 50

SEAFORTH, Sept. 17, 1877

Wheat (Fall)	$1 15	"	1 22
Wheat, (Spring) per bush	1 05	"	1 15
Flour, (per brl)	5 50	"	6 00
Oats, per bush	0 28	"	0 33
Peas, per bush	0 60	"	0 60
Barley per bush	0 40	"	0 50
Potatoes per bush	0 30	"	0 35
Butter	0 16	"	0 18
Eggs per doz. (unpacked)	0 11	"	0 12

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A FIRST class Toronto built boat, with oars &c., and boat house. Will be sold cheap. Particulars at the SIGNAL OFFICE.

TEACHER WANTED.

WANTED FOR S. S. No. 1, Colborne, a teacher holding a second or third class certificate. Application, enclosing testimonials and amount of salary wanted, will be received up to O. S. 29th. Duties to commence 1st January, 1878.

JOHN BUCHANAN Secy.
1596-3 Carlow P. O.

REMOVAL.

Mrs. John McIntosh, Jr.,

Has removed her store to the premises formerly occupied by R. Proudfoot, on East Street, where she is displaying a fresh stock of

Groceries, Confectionery, Fruits, &c.

The stock has been thoroughly replenished, and old customers and the public generally will find prices as cheap there as elsewhere.

Mrs. J. McIntosh, Jr.

1596-c

TRUEMAN'S AUCTION MART.

THE GODERICH MARKET FEES

for the ensuing year, will be sold by auction, at the rooms of G. M. Trueman, Market Square, Goderich,

On Saturday, the 22nd instant, at 12 o'clock noon.

JAMES THOMSON, Town Clerk.

1596-a
Goderich, Sept. 13th, 1877.

JUST ARRIVED.

A fine stock of Children's, Ladies' and Gents'

READY-MADE

Boots and Shoes,

of the latest patterns and good [illegible] at

A. F. HALLIDAY'S,
Hamilton St., Goderich.

Ordered work made a specialty. [illegible] in the line of fine boots. Repairing done neatly and cheaply, and expeditiously.

A large Quantity of Wood Wanted, Which will be taken in exchange for goods.

A. F. HALLIDAY.

NEW DRUG STORE.

Jas. Wilson,

Begs to announce to the public that he has commenced business in

COOK'S OLD STAND,

North side Market Square,

And is now displaying a fresh stock of

PURE DRUGS, CHEMICALS,
DYE STUFFS, STANDARD PATENT MEDICINES,
TOILET ARTICLES,
FINE SOAPS.

Choice Cigars, &c.
Prescriptions carefully compounded at all hours.

JAS. WILSON.

1566-y

New Advertisements.

ESTRAY MARE.

CAME on the premises of the subscriber, about three weeks ago. The owner can have the animal on proving ownership and paying expenses.

JAMES SMITH,
lot 16, 5th con., W Wawanosh.
Sept. 12, 1877. Dungannon P. O.

EXECUTORS' SALE OF Valuable Lands IN THE TOWN OF GODERICH.

The Executor's of the late Isaac Battenbury of Clinton will offer for sale by Public Auction

On Wednesday the Seventeenth day of October next

at Twelve o'clock noon by

GEORGE M. TRUEMAN, Auctioneer,

at his Auction Mart in the Town of Goderich the following valuable property viz:

Town Lots No. 56 and 57 on Lighthouse street and Park Lot No. 16 in Con. C. lying in the said Town formerly in the Township of Goderich containing ten acres more or less, at present occupied by Mrs. Martin.

The Town lots adjoin the handsome residence of A. Dickson, Esq., F. M., and are two of the most eligible building lots in the Town.

The Park Lot from its convenience to the centre and business portions of the town is well situated for market gardening purposes or for private residences.

Title perfect. Terms one-third cash, balance in one and two years with interest at 8 per cent payable yearly secured by mortgage.

For further particulars apply to the Auctioneer and the Vendors Solicitors.

Dated the 17th September A. D., 1877.

GARROW, MEYER & RADENHURST,
Vendors' Solicitors.

FURNITURE.

D. GORDON

Has on hand one of the Largest Stocks of Furniture in the County.

HE INVITES INSPECTION.

Will give a reasonable discount to cash purchasers.

IN THE UNDERTAKING

Line, will be prepared to conduct funerals in first class style having purchased the

Best Hearse West of London.

Charges Moderate. Two doors west of Post Office.

Insurance.

THE LIVERPOOL & LONDON And Globe Insurance Company.

Available Assets, $27,000,000

Losses paid in the course of Thirty-five years exceed

FORTY MILLIONS OF DOLLARS!

Claims by CHICAGO FIRE estimated at nearly $3,000,000, are being liquidated as fast as adjusted WITHOUT REDUCTION. Security, Prompt Payment, and Liberality in adjustment of its losses are the prominent features of this wealthy company.

FIRE and LIFE POLICIES issued with very liberal conditions.

Head Office, Canada Branch, Montreal.

G. F. C. SMITH, Resident Secretary, MONTREAL

A. M. ROSS, Agent for Goderich

GODERICH AGENCY OF THE Trust & Loan Company of Canada.

Incorpoated by Royal Charter.

CAPITAL—ONE MILLION POUNDS STERLING.

Funds for Investment.

LOANS made on the Security of approved Farm Land or Town Property for periods of Five years or to suit the convenience of Borrowers, and either repayable at expiry of time or by annual instalments. Payments in reduction of Loans will be accepted at any time on favorable terms.

Approved Mortgages purchased.

G. M. TRUEMAN, Agent.
1317 Market Square, Goderich

INSURANCE,

R. RUTHERFORD,

District agent of the

OTTAWA AGRICULTURAL FIRE INSURANCE Company,

Has appointed the undersigned sold agent for the County of Huron and all work done for the Company in this County must be done entirely through the subscriber.

This first-class company has a Capital of $1,000,000. The Stock is held by first class men which makes the Company the best medium for Insurance now practising. A policy on ordinary contents of building for $600 is worth more than one for $1,000 in most other companies; this feature farmers will do well to consider before insuring elsewhere.

Active agents wanted in all parts of the County, to whom well paying liberal terms are made with good agents. Applications by mail and otherwise solicited.

HUGH McMATH, Insurance Agent.
Goderich, Aug. 20th, 1877. 1594 6 ms.

R. RADCLIFFE,

FIRE, MARINE, LIFE AND ACCIDENT INSURANCE AGENT.

Representing first-class Companies. Also Agent for the

Canada Live Stock Insurance Co'y

MONEY TO LEND

on mortgage either on Town or Farm Property, in sums to suit the borrower.

OFFICE: (Up-stairs) KAY'S BLOCK, Goderich, Ont.

STANDARD FIRE INSURANCE Company.

Authorized Capital, - $3,000,000.

HEAD OFFICE: HAMILTON.

The Company has made the required GOVERNMENT DEPOSIT, and is now prepared to do a GENERAL Fire Insurance Business —AT— Equitable Rates.

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D. B. CHISHOLM, Esq., PRESIDENT.

ALPHEUS BEAMER, Esq., Manager, Director and Adjuster.

H. THEODORE CRAWFORD, Secretary-Treasurer.

ALEX. McD. ALLAN, General Agent for Huron County. Goderich Ont.

Goderich, Feb. 1st, 1877. 1506

Nursery & Hothouse.

WM. DICKSON
FRUIT TREE AGENT,
representing
GEORGE LESLIE & SON'S
TORONTO NURSERIES.

Persons wishing to procure reliable stock, will receive perfect satisfaction by dealing with this firm. Orders sent through me will receive prompt and careful attention, and the cost of carriage from Toronto saved to purchaser. Also, agent for the

BROCKVILLE CHEMICAL AND SUPERPHOSPHATE WORKS,

manufacturers of the best fertilizer in use. Send for circulars and circulars. Address, box 47, Goderich, or WM. DICKSON.

☞ Orders may be left at SIGNAL OFFICE.

A GREENHOUSE AT YOUR DOOR.

For $1.00 we will send free by Mail,

8	distinct varieties,	Monthly Roses,	winter flowering
8	"	Begonias,	"
8	"	Cactus Jungle,	"
8	"	Chinese Chrysanthemums,	"
8	"	Zonal Geraniums	"
3	"	Double "	"
3	"	Ivy Leaf "	"
6	"	Heliotrope,	"
6	"	Abutilons,	"
3	"	Double Camelias,	"
6	"	Azaleas,	"
4	"	Lobster Cactus,	"
6	"	Bouvardias,	"
6	"	Starias and Euphorbiums	"
3	"	Fuchsias	"
4	"	Double Violets	"
2	"	Poinsettia, Scarlet and White,	
4	"	Plumbago,	Winter flowering
3	"	Ferns for Garden Cases.	
4	"	Palms,	"
6	"	Mosses,	"
6	"	Marantas,	"
5	"	Hyacinth Bulbs	"
20	assorted Tulips, Bulbs.		
50	" Crocus,	"	"
3	" Jacobean Lily Bulbs.		
12	" Oxalis,	"	"
4	Lily of the Valley,		
3	New Point Tuberose,		

OR BY EXPRESS.

3	of any of the above $1 collections for			$2,
5	"	"	"	3,
7	"	"	"	4,
9	"	"	"	5,
12	"	"	"	6,
14	"	"	"	7,

Or the whole collection of 249 Bulbs and Plants sent by express on receipt of $15.00, to which either of our books, GARDENING FOR PROFIT, PRACTICAL FLORICULTURE, or GARDENING FOR PLEASURE, (value $1.50, each), will be added. Descriptive Catalogue free.

Peter Henderson & Co.,
Seedsmen and Florists,
35 Cortlandt St., N. Y.

Groceries.

Alex. Adam.

16 lbs. NEW RAISINS $1.00

UNDITED TEA $1.50

5 lbs. GOOD SO.

Victoria St

Miscellaneous.

CENTRAL EXHIBITION 1877;

WILL BE HELD IN THE

TOWN OF GUELPH,

On the

2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th of October.

OPEN TO ALL.

Prize Lists and Entry Papers can be had at the Secretary's office, Guelph, and also from the Secretaries of other Societies throughout the Province.

Parties not receiving their entry tickets prior to the show, will find them at the Secretary's Office.

The several railways will carry freight and passengers to and from the Exhibition at single fare.

G. MURTON, Secretary, Guelph, Sept. 1st, 1877.
THOS. McRAE, President

DEVINS & BOLTON'S PURE QUININE WINE

HAS BEEN HONOURED BY THE SPECIAL recommendation of the medical faculty. It is scientifically prepared with Howard's Sulphate of Quinine and a pure Wine of every superior quality, possessing the medicinal properties of this famous Tonic in a simple, pleasant and reliable form.

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DEVINS & BOLTON, Druggists, Montreal,

For sale by all Druggists and Grocers,
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FOR CHILDREN CUTTING TEETH
LOSS OF SLEEP, DYSENTERY
RESTLESSNESS
CONVULSIONS
COLIC &c.

CHLODYNE REFRACTIVE CORDIAL
CORDIAL CALMATIF CELEBRE
POUR LA DENTITION
DES ENFANTS
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COLIQUE PERTE DE SOMMEIL.

For sale by all Druggists and Grocers

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

For Diseases of the Throat and Lungs, such as Coughs, Colds, Whooping Cough, Bronchitis, Asthma, and Consumption.

The reputation it has attained, in consequence of the marvellous cures it has produced during the last half century, is a sufficient assurance to the public that it will continue to realize the happiest results that can be desired. In almost every section of country there are persons, publicly known, who have been restored from alarming and even desperate diseases of the lungs, by its use. All who have tried it, acknowledge its superiority; and where its virtues are known, no one hesitates as to what medicine to employ to relieve the distress and suffering peculiar to pulmonary affections. CHERRY PECTORAL always affords instant relief, and performs rapid cures of the milder varieties of bronchial disorder, as well as the more formidable diseases of the lungs.

As a safeguard to children, amid the distressing diseases which beset the Throat and Chest of Childhood, it is invaluable; for, by its timely use, multitudes are rescued and restored to health.

This medicine gains friends at every trial, as the cures it is constantly producing are too remarkable to be forgotten. No family should be without it, and those who have once used it never will.

Eminent Physicians throughout the country prescribe it, and Clergymen often recommend it from their knowledge of its effects.

PREPARED BY

Dr. J. C. AYER & CO., Lowell, Mass.,

Practical and Analytical Chemists.

SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.

Hardware.

HARVESTING TOOLS!

—SEE THEM—

FOR SEEING IS BELIEVING.

BEST QUALITY, BEST ASSORTMENT, BEST VALUE

We have ever shown in

GRASS SCYTHES, SCYTHE SNATHS, HAY FORKS, BARLEY FORKS, HAY RAKES, SOCKET HOES,

GRAIN SCYTHES, " CRADLES, STRAW FORKS, MANURE FORKS, GARDEN RAKES, FIELD HOES,

SCYTHE STONES, &c.,

ALSO

a complete assortment of

PAINTS, OILS, AND GLASS

From 9x7 to 50x30, and a full stock of

SHELF & HEAVY HARDWARE

AT

KERR & McKENZIE'S

Hardware Emporium, Jordon's Block, Market Square.

Goderich June, 20th 1877. 1583

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Secure the Shadow ere the Substance fades.
SHAKESPERE.

Let nature copy] that which Nature made,
FITZGIBBONS.

Then come along and do not be afraid,
THOMPSON.

We return our sincere thanks for the liberal patronage, (considering the prevailing depression in trade) extended to us during the past year.

In the future as in the past, we will endeavour to please, and propose to do work, of true artistic merit, creditable to ourselves and satisfactory to our patrons.

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Near "SIGNAL OFFICE" Goderich Ont.,

Druggists.

ARE YOU SICK,

If so go and Purchase

TONIC BITTERS
—AND—
PULMONIC SYRUP,

The Two Great Remedies for

Stomach Diseases

For sale wholesale and retail by the Proprietors, who have on hand a large number of Testimonials.

JOHN BOND & SON.
East Side Market Square, Goderich.

DRUGS
—AND—
Family Medicines,
PATENT MEDICINES
Of all kinds on hand.
SOAPS, PAINTS, OILS,
DYE STUFFS, PERFUMERY,
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Wholesale and Retail.
Prescriptions carefully and promptly dispensed
GEORGE CATTLE,
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SOMETHING NEW.

If you want a

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That will not fade, get the new Permanent

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It surpasses all others for beauty and finish.

N. B.—Old pictures copied and enlarged to any size Colored in India Ink or Oil. Frames of all descriptions cheap.

Any amount of Stereoscopic views on hand.

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1593 GODERICH.

Stationery.

Envelopes. Paper.

100,000 Envelopes, 100 Reams Paper.

Note, letter, Foolscap Papers and Envelopes of all Sizes and Colors,

Room Papers in great variety.

PARLOR, HALL, DINING and BED-ROOM Splen'did Pendils.

RUBBER BANDS and *Non-corosive Pens.*

A variety of Croque', Base Ball, and other games all cheap from Makers, and will be sold cheaper than any one by

BUTLER.

Call before buying elsewhere.

NOTICE.

The Statutes of Canada 40 Victoria 1877, are now ready for distribution to qualified Magistrates and others entitled to same, at the office of the Clerk of the Peace in Goderich.

IRA LEWIS,
Clerk of the Peace.

1595-b
Goderich September 4th 1877.

NOTICE.

THE partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned under the style of William Seymour & Company was this day dissolved by mutual consent.

Dated at Goderich this 3rd day of September, A. D. 1877.

WILLIAM SEYMOUR,
BETHUEL SEYMOUR.

Witness, Philip Holt.

In reference to the above notice the business will be carried on by the undersigned under the same style.

WM SEYMOUR.

1595-d

Dry Goods.

Dress Linens.
Hamburg Lace.
Colored Marseilles.
Foulard Cambrics. Seal and Navy.
Sequins Buttons.
Crompton Corsets.
Collars and Cuffs.
Parasols. Fans.

Also a large assortment of

Gent's Furnishings.

W. R. Robertson.

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BUFFALO COURIER,
and other papers
At Regular Prices.

Call and see our rates.

SIGNAL PRINTING CO.

Millinery.

MRS. WARNOCK

Calls attention of the ladies of Goderich and vicinity to her

Spring and Summer Stock
—OF—
Millinery, Mantles, SKIRTS, AND FANCY GOODS

is very complete. Call and examine.

☞ *Prices to suit the times.* ☜

Mrs. Warnock, corner of Blake's Block, near SIGNAL Office.

Liquor Stores.

ALES, WINES and LIQUORS
of the
BEST BRANDS,
WHOLESALE & RETAIL.

FERGUS Ale in wood and bottles at $1.00 per dozen or 10 cents per bottle, when sold in quantities less than half dozen.

GROCERY REMOVED

from North side, to next the Liquor Store, Crabb's Block, East side Market Square.

H. COOKE.
Goderich, 7, 1877. 1585-tf

Sewing Machines.

THE PEOPLE ARE THE **BEST JUDGES,** And they award

The Highest Honors —OF— THE DAY TO THE

LIGHT-RUNNING

ROYAL

If a good machine you want to buy
I'll tell you where to call,
The best are sold by Fishers
So say the people all.
And they are always willing
To give every one a trial,
They sell the championsewing machine
It is the Family Royal.
If you ain't got the money
You need not fear,
If you cannot pay the cash
They'll trust you for a year.
And when the year is ended
And the money is come due
You never need to be afraid
That they will trouble you.
There are other agents
That sell the Wanzer and the Howe,
But they will never trade
On a horse or yet a cow.
But Fishers, they are willing
That the Farmer too should live
And they will take in change
Whatever they will give.
So if you want to deal with them
You need not be afraid,
For they are always willing
And open for a trade.
The blacksmiths, they have dealt with them
And now their women smile
To think their men were sensible
And bought for them the Royal.
The butchers too, who live in town
Whose women used to scold,
Have bought from them the Royal
That's worth its weight in gold.
Their women now are singing
And on their face a smile
They say that sewing is but play
Since they have got the Royal.
The bakers too have purchased one
But not to mix their dough,
They say it is the best machine
That ever was to sew.
Mr. Harney has been in town
He knows that this is true,
So if you want to purchase
We would like to deal with you.

DAVE & JOHN FISHER,
County Agents, Colborne.
1590-1yr

Savings Societies.

THE **SUPERIOR SAVINGS** AND LOAN SOCIETY.

Dividend No. 3,

A dividend at the rate of Eight per Cent. per annum

has been declared for the half year ending June 30th on the paid up Capital of the Society and the same will be payable on and after

THE 3rd OF JULY

at the office of the Society.

The transfer books will be closed from the 21st June till the 3rd day of July 1877, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,

JAS. MILNE, MANAGER.

London, Ont., 13th June 1877.

Wants.

TEACHER WANTED.

FOR School Section No. 3, West Wawanosh, male, Second or Third Class. Duties to commence January 3rd, 1878. Apply by the 20th September, stating salary required, class of cert. &c., to

JOHN HAMLEN, Sec'y,
1594-3 Dungannon P. O.

Sheriff's Notices.

Sheriff's Sale of Lands.

County of Huron, To Wit: } By virtue of a Writ of Fieri Facias issued out of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench and to me directed against the Lands and Tenements of Isaac Ervin, Defendant, at the suit of Jane McIntosh Plaintiff. I have seized and taken in execution all the right title and interest of the said defendant in and to lots number eight hundred and sixteen and eight hundred and thirty nine running numbers in the town of Goderich in the County of Huron. Which Lands and Tenements I shall offer for Sale, at my office in the Court House, in the Town of Goderich, on Saturday the eighth day of December next at the hour of 12 o'clock noon.

ROBERT GIBBONS,
Sheriff's Office, Goderich, Sheriff H. D.
Aug. 20th, 1877. 1594

PORTABLE GRIST MILLS.

ONE OF TYPE SUN'S

AT

The WATEROUS ENGINE WORKS CO.

Brantford, Ont.

Pump Makers.

WELLER & MARTIN
Pump Makers.

Wells Sunk & Repaired

on short notice.

Also, Soft Water Tanks

made and repaired.

Parties requiring good work done would do well to call upon the undersigned at their shop on Victoria Street, in the old marble works.

Weller & Martin.

1478 1yr.

SOMETHING NEW.

ROTARY SUCTION PUMP!

A Purifier of Water!

THE BEST WATER-DRAWER EVER PUT IN A WELL OR CISTERN.

Thousands in Daily Use.

THIS INVENTION is an atmospheric or Suction Pump with three Elastic Rubber Sucker valves working air-tight and running from the bottom of the well to the top in a wooden tube, and connected by a chain as to keep one always in the tube, and throwing an uninterrupted stream of water. It uses a crank or Reel for power.

ADVANTAGES OF THIS PUMP.

1st. Their ease of work.
2nd. Throws a constant stream.
3rd. Purifies the water.
4th. No expense for repairs.
5th. Warranted not to freeze.
6th. No stationary valve in the well to get out of order.
7th. A larger quantity of water drawn in proportion to the size of Cylinder than any other pump, and with less power.

WM. DICKSON, Agent
Box 47
Goderich, Ont.

Merchant Tailor.

H. DUNLOP,
Merchant Tailor,
WEST STREET,

HAS RECEIVED A LARGE STOCK of

Fall and Winter Cloths, Tweeds, &c.

Which he is selling very cheap.

READY-MADE CLOTHING

always on hand,

Gents' Furnishings

A large and well selected stock to select from, and as cheap as any house in the Dominion

CLOTHING MADE TO ORDER.

On the shortest notice, and a good fit guaranteed.

Hugh Dunlop.

Goderich, May 3, 1876. 1534

Flour and Feed.

NOTICE.

TO GROCERS AND TRADERS,

We are now prepared to furnish all grades of

FLOUR AND FEED.

Also, will exchange flour for wheat to farmers.

OGILVIES & HUTCHISON,
Goderich Harbor Mills

SEED WHEAT.

Mr. W. Potter has placed in the hands of Hilliard & Co., the highly recommended Seneca or Clawson white fall wheat also the Scott or Red fall wheat, the growth of this year.

Hilliard & Co.,
EAST STREET.

Goderich, Aug. 7th 1877.

To Let.

TO LET.

THAT Superior Store with large dwelling house above, situate on Kingston street, Goderich, lately in the occupation of Thomas Johnston as a Grocery and Provision store. Apply to

G. M. TRUEMAN, Auctioneer.
1523

Navigation.

SEASON ARRANGEMENTS.

The elegant and fast sailing steamers

Benton and Bertschy,

forming a semi-weekly line between Cleveland and the Saginaw Valley, calling at Goderich both ways will ply during the season as follows, carrying freight and passengers:

Steamer Benton, Capt. Thorn, Master. | Steamer Bertschy, G. W. McGregor, Master.

One of the above steamers will

Leave GODERICH for SAGINAW

EVERY
SUNDAY AND THURSDAY

at 2 p. m., and Goderich for Detroit and Cleveland every Sunday and Wednesday at 2 p. m. Leave Goderich, weather permitting, for Saginaw, calling at Port Hope, Grind Stone City, Port Austin, Tawas and Bay City, making connections with steamers for Alpena, Harrisville, Sanbie, and Mackinac. Returning, leave Goderich every Sunday for Port Huron, Detroit and Cleveland, calling at places on the route and making close connection at Detroit every Monday and Thursday with steamers for Sandusky, Toledo, Kelly's Island and Put-in-Bay, and at Port Huron with steamers for Green Bay, Milwaukee and Chicago. Tickets can be had for all above points.

For freight and passenger rates, apply to

WM. LEE,
Agent, Harbor Quay, Goderich.
1581

Northwest Transportation Co.
(LIMITED.)
LATE BEATTY'S & WINDSOR LAKE SUPERIOR LINE.

Carrying the Canadian mails in connection with the Grand Trunk, Great Western and Canada Southern Railways. On the opening of navigation one of the first-class powerful steamers

MANITOBA, ASIA, ONTARIO, SOVERIGN AND QUEBEC,

Will leave WINDSOR every Wednesday at 9 a. m. calling at Courtright; and SARNIA every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10 p. m. calling the following day, weather permitting, at Goderich, Kincardine and Southampton, for Bruce Mines, Sault St. Marie, Silver Islet, Fort William, Prince Arthur's Landing and Duluth, making close connections with the Northern Pacific Ry. and Kitson's Red River Steamers for Fort Garry and Black Hills Gold Regions. Freight and passengers from all points in Canada at lowest rates. For further information apply to

WM. LEE, Agent, Goderich. | HENRY BEATTY, General Manager, Sarnia

PHOSFOZONE.

All who suffer from Weakness from whatever cause arising will find a few doses of Phosfozone restore fresh strength and energy to all members of the body. It assists the assimilation of food and increases the appetite wonderfully. Adapted to delicate persons of both sexes and all ages. For sale by all Druggists.

Pamphlets free on applying to

Evans, Mercer & Co.,
Manufacturing Chemists.
MONTREAL

NOTICE.

THE PUBLIC are hereby cautioned that S. L. Nelles and R. W. Halpenny, late of the Village of Newtonville, are not authorized to act as Pound Keepers in said Village.—P. H. ATTWOOD, Pound Keeper.

1594-f

Mayhew, the Millspinner,

&c.

THE STOLEN WILL.

He, too, lay in a silent, sombre meditation, a prey to heavy thoughts and sad forebodings. Though he had now the prospect of recovering his child from the custody of Luke Briar, there was every prospect that he should find him a wild, ignorant, vicious boy, from whose mind alight never be extracted those evil habits and propensities which had been implanted and had grown there. Thus through all the after years he might ever have renewed bitter and unpeasurable recollections of his cruelty and injustice, and no sweetness and pleasure should be forever gone out of his life. Then, too, even though he recovered his boy, and found him less corrupted than he feared, there was still the heavy sorrow of his poor lost Rachel—for his poor, wronged wife, of whom he knew nothing, and whose fate he longed yet dreaded to learn.

As the two occupants of the room sat enjoying partial shelter from the excessive heat, and fully occupied with their own thoughts, a pedlar came slowly into the market-place, covered with perspiration and the toil and dust of travel.—This man looked round for a moment, then catching a sight of the inn, he approached and seated himself in the wooden bench which ran all along the front of it. Here he did aside the box which contained his wares, and stretched himself on the board within the shadow cast by the wall behind.

"Hoya, landlord, bring me a pint of beer," he called out to the latter, who stood mopping his red face under the porch.

Mine host turned in some astonishment to the giver of the order. The loud, sharp, imperious tone did not comport with the appearance or calling of the person who spoke, and therefore fell on the landlord's ear with the effect of surprise.

Having possessed his present establishment for many years, he knew all the pedlars who went that round; but this man was a stranger to him, and he noticed that he had scarcely the air or aspect of the generality of his class. He wore a broad-brimmed, blue bonnet over a rough mass of dry-looking red hair, and, hot as the day was, he wore a large, blue cotton handkerchief round his neck, while a pair of blue goggle glasses covered his eyes; a brown coat, having large brass buttons, and a pair of drab corded knee breeches, with ribbed stockings, completed his attire; and altogether he was a queer-looking and noticeable individual.

This was the figure at which the landlord stared, and some moments passed as he scanned him all over scrutinisingly.

"Why the devil don't you bring the beer?" demanded the pedlar, with angry impatience. "This cursed heat has made me as thirsty as a camel that hasn't seen water for a week."

"Faith, hardly has patient, though," muttered the landlord, as he turned into the passage to execute the order.

While he was gone the pedlar removed his glasses and wiped the sweat from his glistening face, the operation being listlessly watched from the open window just at hand by Arnold Carsbrook.

When the landlord was heard returning along the passage, the pedlar hastily replaced the glasses, but not before their absence had revealed a pair of sharp, strong eyes that did not seem to need any such protection.

He received the jug of beer with an eager hand, raised it hastily to his lips, and drained it off at a gulp.

"You are a peckman, I fancy," remarked the inn-keeper, as he waited for payment.

"Yes," was the laconic response.

"What kind o' guids dae ye carry?"

"Hardware."

"O, ay; ye micht let us see yer stock. Has ye ony guid corkscrews?"

"No, not at present—quite sold out. In fact, my stock of everything has got so low that I don't mean to show my box till it is replenished. How far is it from this to Rickston Moor?"

"About three miles, less or mair.—Ye'll be gaun tae the great gatherin' o' the gipsies and tinkers?"

"Yes. Three miles, did you say? I suppose I can reach the place in an hour?"

"Brawly, if ye dinna tire the road. Keep the hill aye on yer richt hand, and be aye airthin tae it, and ye can hardly gang wrang."

"Thank you, I shall not forget these directions," said the pedlar, as he paid for his beer and handed back the empty jug.

"Ye might open up yer box, though," added the landlord; "there's may be something in it that I hae use for, and ye see I like to encourage trade."

"Oh, I really have nothing in it," responded the man hastily, "nothing worth looking at. Some other time when I come this way I hope to deal with you, but not to-day."

"Weel, weel, just as ye like;" then, as he moved back to the porch, he muttered, "Dod, but that is the queerest packman o'er I met in wi'."

This little conversation could easily be overheard by the two men seated at the windows of the inn parlour, but neither of them paid any heed to it. It was not of sufficient interest to them to break in upon their sombre meditations, which continued uninterrupted till the sweet strains of a violin suddenly broke upon the silence of the sultry air, and simultaneously roused them from their abstraction.

Upon gazing forth they saw that the fiddle was played by an old, white-haired man, who stood in front of the inn, with a little girl by his side of singular beauty and loveliness. This was none other than our old friend Willie, the wandering musician, and his fairy-like companion was Ella, with her sweet fresh and bright happy smile.

The two men sat entranced, captivated not only by the richness and touching power of the music, but also by the charming grace and surpassing beauty of the golden-haired child, who seemed like a bright vision from a better world.

Even the pedlar, who was still seated on the bench outside, strangely moved, as could be seen by the eager, earnest manner in which he roused himself from his recumbent position, and looked through his goggles at the fair young creature, who was now an object of admiration to the little crowd which the lively strains of the fiddle had brought into the market-place. He followed with wrapt gaze her every movement, as she tripped with quick bounding step among the auditors, holding out her round straw hat with an arch and winning smile for the pence which the latter dropped freely into it.

Her quick, beaming blue eye did not fail to catch sight of the two men seated at their respective windows, and she approached, with her pretty and bewitching aspect of solicitation to receive from each a silver coin whose brightness could not vie with the sparkle of her eyes as she saw them dropped into her hat. She was turning away without soliciting anything from the pedlar, but the latter called to her, and continued still to gaze with the same intensity at her radiant countenance, as slowly he drew forth a silver coin also and presented it to her. Then she curtsied gracefully to all the donors, and, running back to Willie's side, poured the contents of her hat into his wallet, with a proud and joyous look up to his fond loving face.

Arnold watched the scene with exceeding interest till the music was done, and the old man, putting the fiddle into its green bag, took Ella by the hand and led her away.

By this time the pedlar had also vanished from his seat on the bench; and, as the crowd had likewise dispersed, Arnold was about to resume his reclining attitude on the sofa, when a long sigh made him look up, to behold his companion leaning on the back of the sofa, with his head stretched through the open window, watching the disappearing forms of Willie and Ella.

This was the first time Arnold had seen the other's countenance, and he was struck by the deep sadness which it wore—the great pain and sorrow so plainly expressed in it.

"What a strange trick for my fancy to play me," muttered the stranger, unconsciously uttering the words aloud, as he drew back and his eyes encountered those of Arnold gazing curiously at him.

"Like me, sir, you seem to have been much interested by the sight of that beautiful young girl," observed Arnold.

"I have! indeed, sir," was the reply. "The child's face has moved me more strongly than I can express owing to the strange resemblance which it bears to one whose bitter and unknown fate has filled me with inexpressible anguish."

The words were so singularly indicative of Arnold's own position that he started half-up and regarded the speaker with astonished interest.

"Indeed, sir," he cried; "may I seek to know more of that anguish and its cause? I, too, am a heavy sufferer, and we may be able to gain some comfort from each other's sympathy, for your words lead me to infer that our grief is similar in kind."

"I know not that," rejoined the other, "but I am too burdened with my sorrow of heart not to confide its nature to a sympathetic ear. My name is William Ogilvy. I have just returned from Australia, where I went ten years ago.—Having prospered there to an extent which gives me a moderate but sufficient competence, I came home in order that I might share it with an only sister, whom I left in the situation of a governess. I was happy in the thought of being reunited to her, and rescuing her from a state of dependence; but judge of my horror and despair when, on reaching the place I had left her, I was told that she, my pure and guileless sister, ruining, had deserted her. In shame and grief she left the place, no one could tell me whither, and for weeks I have been engaged in a fruitless search for her. I fear, oh, I much fear, she is dead. It was reported to me that she had been seen wandering through this part of the country as a common tramp, and it is with the hope, the very faint hope of learning tidings of her that I am here. There is, it seems, a large gathering of wandering people on a moor not far from this, and as it is possible some one there may know or have known something of her, I am on my way to the spot to make inquiries among them."

Arnold listened to this tale with beating heart, heaving bosom, and glearning, glistening eyes.

"How strange, how wonderful, that we two should meet," he cried—"we who are going to the same place and on a similar errand."

"How—what?" inquired Ogilvy.—"Have you known my sister? are you concerned in her fate?"

"No—not for your sister—but for my wife, my child. Listen, my friend—for sorrow makes you so—listen, and you shall hear a story whose burden of woe is heavier than your own."

In silent astonishment William Ogilvy sunk upon the other end of the sofa. And Arnold, with a husky, agitated voice, poured into his heart a recital of that dark and terrible past which we already know.

The mutual confidence bound them together. They were besides alike in many points of character and disposition, and they resolved to proceed in company to the gathering of the gipsies on the neighboring moor.

While they had sat together absorbed in conversation, the hours passed unheeded. The afternoon was now gone, and the fierceness of the heat had sounded what abated, so that after partaking together of refreshment they left the inn as evening approached and took the route which had been pointed out to them as the path they ought to follow in order to reach the place whither they were bound.

CHAPTER XXVI.

THE PEDLAR ON RICKSLEY MOOR—THE ENCAMPMENT—THE TINKER'S HUT.

The far-stretching surface of Ricksley Moor was glowing under the level rays of the setting sun as the pedlar slowly wended his way along the dusty road which intersected it. On either hand stretched an undulating plain of whins and broom and heather—the two former having lost their golden bloom, and the latter not yet but soon to be arrayed in its purple glory. Away in the distance west were lofty hills and still loftier mountains, behind which the sun was sinking—that fierce and ardent sun which through all that July day had heated the earth like a furnace, and filled the air with a sultry oppressiveness. Though the orb of day had lost to some extent his burning power, and his disc the dazzling intensity of its brightness, there was still no coolness in the atmosphere, for the usual evening breeze had not sprung up; therefore its refreshing influence was awanting, and the solitary traveller went panting on his way, labouring at once under the sultry closeness of the air and the depressing silence of that extended solitude.

When he had proceeded so far across the open moor as to have a clear space around him in all directions—behind as well as before—and had sufficient evidence that no human form nor dwelling was near, he came to a stand-still, and, removing from his shoulders the wooden box which gave him the character of a pedlar, laid it on the brown sward by the side of the path. Then, after casting another cautious glance round the moor, he removed first the goggles which covered his eyes, then the broad, round bonnet from his head, and the rough, towsy wig which was beneath it, thereby disclosing in all their entirety the countenance and features of Sam Willox.

He drew a long breath, moved his body to and fro to separate his undergarments from his sweating skin, to which they clung and finally wiped his glistening face and steaming head with his handkerchief.

"What a cursed stew I'm in,' he muttered. 'Never endured such a broil in all my life. Whew! an oven can't be worse than this, and if it hadn't been that I'm so near the end of my journey, I'd caved in. Well, here is the moor, sure enough, but devil a vestige do I see of the gipsy gathering. The landlord said it was pretty far north, and I suppose I must top yonder eminence before I catch sight of it. What a business it will be if I don't find Luke Briar there; but if my information be correct it is there he is to be found. I'd better push on and discover the place before darkness sets in, lest I lose my way, or, what is worse, my object."

Having obtained a few minutes' rest, and given utterance to this soliloquy, Sam resumed his disguise, and again shouldering the wooden box, continued his way farther into the interior of the moor, forced as he went along to commune with his own thoughts, and these, as may be guessed, were not very pleasant or edifying.

"I wonder why the sight of that girl has such an effect on me?" he said to himself, as his thoughts reverted to the appearance of Willie and Ella at the front of the inn. "Why should she always bring Meg into my mind, and call up the past which I wish to forget! Next time I come across that old fiddler—who is, of course, her grand-father—I'll have a talk with him. Poor Meg! I wonder what become of her. I shouldn't be surprised if she went off to Australia to join her brother that she never tired speaking of. Who knows but she is there now, married to a boor of a sheep farmer. Well, it was the best thing she could do, though when I get into a fit of the blues I imagine her dead and all that.

Bah, I must not think of her at all, or I shan't be fit for this night's work, which will require all my coolness. By Jove! yonder is the gathering, and I have taken the wrong road."

These last words Sam accompanied with an oath and a tone of angry impatience, for on reaching the end of a long strip of low densely growing firs he saw the motley encampment of the wanderers far to the right, and in a direction nearly opposite to that in which he had been for some time going. He remembered now that the landlord had directed him to take a particular track which ran northward, but he must have missed it, and had hereby gone far out of his way. To retrace his steps for such a long distance was out of the question, and, now that he had the encampment in sight, he resolved to reach it by taking a direct route across the moor.—There was no beaten track in the direction he required to go; but the nature of the ground did not seem to present any special obstacles to his progress, and he plunged among the heather without hesitation.

He had not gone very far when he began to repent of his temerity. When fairly involved in the inequalities of the ground, which at a distance looked as level, he found that these were considerable and not a little perplexing. Here a clump of whins which could not be penetrated would present itself, and had to take a circuit to clear it; there a marsh came in his way, when every step had to be taken with caution to avoid engulfment; next a morass, even more treacherous and dangerous still, would surround him; while tarns and ditches barred his advance at all points and rendered his progress not only slow but extremely laborious.

Cursing his imprudence which had placed him in such a situation, Sam had serious thoughts of turning back and gaining the encampment by a safer path, but on looking round he found that the dusty road he had left was not discerned, nor could he tell in which direction it lay. To retreat was therefore as difficult and dangerous as to advance, and as he had the encampment in the distance as a landmark to guide him in the effort to reach it. In fact it was the only course now open to him if he would not wander in aimless perplexity around the mazes of the moor.

To add to his alarm, the sun had now set, and twilight was now advancing. Large black masses of cloud were also rising in the east, and distant mutterings were heard portending the approach of a thunder storm.

"A precious mess that I have got into," muttered Willox, making renewed and desperate efforts to disentangle himself from his untoward position.—The wild recklessness of these might have landed him in utter bewilderment had he not at this juncture come upon a sheep track, which, as it gave more solid footing and promised to lead to safety, he eagerly followed, and with the more alacrity and satisfaction that it led in the direction of the encampment.

After nearly half-an-hour's farther walking, and just as the clear evening light was beginning to fade, but while surrounding objects could still be distinctly seen, he reached the brow of a steep wooded ravine on the opposite side of which he knew the encampment to be placed, and which he must therefore cross in order to reach it. Here the sheep track failed him, and once more he had to make a path for himself down the steep declivity, covered with a dense growth of moorland shrubs, such as whins, sloes, and hazel bushes, the latter of which grew in many places to the height of a small tree, whose shade cast the ground beneath into deep gloom.

Willox accomplished a portion of the descent in safety, but suddenly a piece of jutting rock caught his foot, when he stumbled forward and fell headlong among the outspread branches of one of the shrubs. He clutched at some of these for support, but missed them, and went rolling down for several yards till his prostrate body lodged against the stout stump of a fir, and when, confused and half-stunned, he gathered himself up, he found that his goggles had fallen from his face, and his bonnet and wig hung suspended from one of the hazel branches above.

With a fierce curse he rose to his feet and rubbed his aching shoulders, which the wooden box had bruised. Then hastily he sought about till he found his goggles among the grass, after which he recovered the bonnet and wig, and replaced them in their proper position. The rest of the descent was made without further mishap, and on clambering up the opposite side of the ravine he had the satisfaction of seeing the encampment at no great distance, pitched on an open part of the moor, where the heather and the bracken gave place to the smooth sward, which gave a comfortable floor to the tents, and afforded nourishment to the horses and donkeys which were browsing upon it.

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