

MONTHLY CATTLE FAIRS.

HAMILTON—Friday before the Guelph Fair.
BOWWORTH—Saturday before Guelph Fair.
BRATTON—The Saturday before Guelph Fair.
ELORA—The day before Guelph Fair.
DODDAS—Monday before Elora Fair.
GUELPH—First Wednesday in each month.
CLIFFORD—Thursday before the Guelph Fair.
TAYTODALE—Friday before the Guelph Fair.
NEW HAMBURG—First Tuesday in each month.
BRANTFORD—First Thursday in each month.
ELMIRA—Second Monday in each month.
WATERLOO—Second Tuesday in each month.
MOUNT FOREST—Third Wednesday in each month.
HANOVER—Monday before Durham.
PERRAM—Tuesday before Mount Forest.
FERRIS—Thursday following Mount Forest.
ORANVILLE—Second Thursday in January, March, May, July, September and November.
MORO MILLS—Third Wednesday in January, April, July and October.
HAIN—First Monday in January, April, July and October.
MASONVILLE—First Tuesday in February, May, August and November.
BRANTFORD—First Thursday in each month.
LAWTON—First Friday in each month.
MILLSBORO—Second Tuesday in January, March, May, July, Sept. and November.
MOONSHILL—Monday before Guelph.
HAMILTON—Crystal Palace Grounds, the day after Guelph.

The Rival Clansmen

A Scottish Vendetta.
CHAPTER XV.
LAF M'KENZIE AGAIN RAFFLED—REUNITED—A LAST COUNSEL—DEATH OF OLD M'LEOD.

"Alas! alas!" he exclaimed, smiting his breast; "if few they have to welcome and little welcome will we receive from them. O that I were young again, to work vengeance upon the cowardly dastards who have brought this sorrow upon me! Would that I had perished with them; it would have spared me the misery of this hour. But I must not repine; One wiser than I am, controls my destiny, and He sees meet that I should suffer. Nevertheless, it is a sore trial."
So great was the distress of the clansman that neither of his companions could trust himself to reply to him. They both felt that they would have required to use well-chosen words indeed not to have deepened his distress, and they wisely forbore.

With scornful hearts they went forward, and soon came into full view of the Castle. Then they were recognised by those who waited for them, and who now rushed forth to meet them. Wives and mothers, daughters and sons, came forth to listen to the song and the tale of victory; but the downcast looks of those they met soon dispelled their hope, though they did not reveal the terrible story which had soon to be told.

"M'Leod is welcome welcome is his son; and not less welcome is his friend; but where are the clansmen?" were the words which were addressed to the old Chief by those who surrounded him on all sides.
The M'Leod groaned aloud, but for a few seconds could not trust himself to speak.
Loud moans arose on every side, but again the cry was raised—
"Speak, M'Leod; tell us the worst. We have often heard from your lips of victories which have been won; surely we can listen to the tale of one defeat!"
The words seemed relieve the old man, for, raising his head, which had been bowed down in grief and shame, he leaned on Hector's shoulder, and addressing them, said—
"M'Leod has a sad tale to tell; one which makes his heart bleed."

"Ochone—ochone achree!" was wailed on every side, while the listeners tore their hair and stamped with their feet upon the ground. The Chief continued—
"I have to tell you of the success of the arms of the M'Leods when their dastard enemies met them in fair fight. The arms of the M'Leods were triumphant and the Caterans of Ben-a-Chrui fled before them as the chaff flees before the gale."

"M'Leod gu brath! M'Leod gu brath!"
"But an evil time came, and a deed of cowardly villainy was done. While the M'Leods returned to their homes, to their wives and their daughters, and while they were singing the song of victory and of triumph, their enemies' malevolence gave them a cruel check. They were crossing lone Loch Maree, when suddenly the boats sank, carrying with them to the bottom your husbands and your fathers—my brave clansmen. The boats had been pierced by the Caterans, and so suddenly did the disaster come that we alone of all the gallant band have been able to return."

Here he had concluded speaking, the Chief's voice was husky with emotion, and his eyes were filled with tears.
"Ochone, ochone!—my brave Donald, my gallant Rory, my Angus, my Alister! Ochone, ochone achree!" was the wild wail that burst from fifty throats as wives realised they were husbandless, and mothers that they were orphans, and daughters that they were fatherless. The scene was a sad and touching one, and each of the strong men's eyes were dimmed with quickly flowing tears, as they witnessed the heartrending sorrow which filled the bosoms of those before them. Groans and wails and lamentations filled the air, as the full volume of the grief which now filled these artless untortured hearts burst forth unrestrained with resistless force, and caused the stricken ones to tear their hair and gnash their teeth in the intensity of their suffering.

But when the burst was over the desire to retaliate asserted itself; and, with pale faces, but with expressions of a deep-rooted and wild determination, they asked whether M'Leod would again lead those who remained, and who were either out on the hills, behind at the Castle, or down in the clachan, against the Caterans of Ben-a-Chrui until they should avenge the cruel death of their kinsmen.

"Yes," was the reply of the M'Leod.
"I will gather every kinsman that survives around me, and will lead them against not only the Caterans of Ben-a-Chrui but against those who have aided them in their devilish work. Let me tell you that the M'Kenzies are along with them, and that Ian, the young Chief pursued us three after we had escaped from the water, and would have captured or slain us but for a fortunate chance which occurred in our favour. Yes, my kinswomen, there is work a-slaying for the M'Leod to do, and so long as he is able he will perform it with no slack hand; and when he falls the son whom he, assisted by the gallant clansman who have ceased to be, rescued from the power of the these cowardly villains last night, will take his place, and will lead on the clansmen to daring deeds by his cheering words and heroic example."

"I will," said Hector. "The calamity which has overtaken the house of M'Leod is greater than ever was before known in the annals of the clan, and we would be unworthy of the spirit of those who have gone before us were we to shrink from avenging the wrong which has been done us."
Loud cheers greeted his words, and although it was evident that they felt deeply the irreparable loss they had

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GREAT CLEARING SALE

GEORGE JEFFREY'S, WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.

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

FURS.—The balance of this Stock to be cleared out at cost. Ladies wanting Cheap Furs at unprecedented prices should call at once.
FANCY GOODS.—Now is the time to secure New Goods suitable for Christmas Presents.
CLOUDS.—The Largest and Cheapest Lot of Clouds in Guelph, at half price.

JUST ARRIVED:

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

GEORGE JEFFREY, GUELPH

ALTERATION OF PREMISES

GOODS SELLING REGARDLESS OF COST.

RICHARD CLAYTON

IN ORDER TO CLEAR OUT THE BALANCE OF HIS IMMENSE STOCK OF

DRY GOODS

"HAS RESOLVED"

On and after Saturday, the 3rd of January, 1874,

TO OFFER FOR ONE MONTH HIS ENTIRE STOCK

REGARDLESS OF COST.

THE GOODS HAVE ALL BEEN BOUGHT AT THE LOWEST CASH

PRICES, AND IT WILL WELL REPAY ANY ONE TO

SEE OUR GOODS BEFORE PURCHASING.

NOTE THE FOLLOWING LINES:

- Good Factory Cotton for 9 cents;
Good Bleached Cotton for 8 cents;
Horrockses Cotton for 10 cents. See them.
Scarlet Flannel for 23 cents.
White Flannel for 25 cents.
Shirting Flannels, good patterns, for 26 cents a yard, well worth 45 cents.
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Dress Goods in Endless Variety at any price.

MANTLES AND SHAWLS WILL BE SOLD TO SUIT EVERY ONE.

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

Ladies, the above Goods can all be seen by calling at

THE CASH STORE,

Upper Wyndham Street.

No goods advertised but can be seen. Give us a call.

RICHARD CLAYTON,

Guelph, Jan. 3, 1874

UPPER WYNDHAM STREET.

C. E. PEIRCE & CO. Elephant Clothing Store.

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In all Shades and Prices Undercoats, Pants and Vests.

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

ALL STYLES IN HATS AND CAPS.

Good Goods at Low Prices. Come and See Us.

C. E. PEIRCE & CO.,

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

Guelph, December 17, 1873.

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HARD and SOFT COAL

OF THE BEST QUALITY

At the Lowest Prices.

Coal delivered in any part of the Town.

Yard next to Bell's Organ Factory

Orders left at Mr. Horseman's Store will receive prompt attention.

Guelph, Nov. 18, 1873. C. KLOEFFER, 43m

Being about to leave Guelph to seek a home in the Far West, would cordially thank his many kind friends for their continued patronage for the past fifteen years, and as he is likely to be but a short time longer in their midst, has stock with comparatively low cost on hand, and is anxious to sell up as many of the goods as possible, at a special price, as a token of his appreciation. All goods will be marked in plain figures, and sold at cost. No second price will be made. A special allowance will be allowed on purchases over \$25. This sale is genuine, the proprietor having to give up possession of his store on the 1st of May next.

Leaving Town—Bound for the West, the Great Northwest. \$45,000 worth of Dry Goods and Groceries to be disposed of in six weeks. Sale to commence on Monday, the 6th inst. MR. G. B. FRASHER, Wyndham Street, Guelph.

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E. O'DONNELL & Co's.

ARRIVING TODAY AT
500 barrels Salt at \$1.20 per barrel;
2 car loads of Lake Herrings;
1 car load of White Fish and Trout;
500 barrels of first-class Labrador Herrings;
A large quantity of Ingersoll Cheese;
600 caddies of the best dollar Tea put up in 5lb tins For 80 cents pr lb.

Also, a general assortment of Black and Japan TEAS, to be sold wholesale and retail CHEAP FOR CASH.

A small lot of SUGAR at 13lb. for One Dollar. E. O'DONNELL & CO. GUELPH, Nov. 18, 1873.

GUELPH CLOTH HALL

Fine Brown and Blue Beaver and Melton

OVERCOATINGS

MADE TO ORDER. Also on hand, Readymade

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Guelph Dec. 1, 1873 Wyndham St., Guelph.

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We present Pass Books to any that want them. J. C. MACKLIN & Co. GUELPH, Jan. 2, 1874

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J. E. McELDERRY, 2 DAY'S BLOCK,

Has now on hand the finest stock of

NEW CROP TEAS GUELPH

Extra Choice Young Hyson at 75c per lb. (extra value),
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The usual liberal reduction allowed to parties buying by the box. All goods warranted to please or the money refunded.

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