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RESIDENCE: Canal street, Guelph, opposite Dr. W. H. Street, Guelph, Ont.

L. BENNETT, DENTIST, Guelph, Ont.

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T. J. FISHER.

W. M. HEMSTREET, Licensed Auctioneer. For the Counties of Wellington and Halton. Office left at the Free Press Office, Acton, or at my residence in Acton, will be promptly attended to. Terms reasonable.

Heavy to Loan. Also money to loan on the most favorable terms, and at the lowest rates of interest, in sums of \$500 and upwards.

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G. REID.

THE PUMP BUSINESS. The undersigned has made arrangements with Mr. Thomas Ebbage to attend to his Pump Business during his stay in the North West. All orders, whether for new work or repairs, left at the residence of Mr. Ebbage, opposite Stephenson's blacksmith shop, will receive prompt attention.

W. E. ADAMS, SMO. Acton, April 15th, 1889.

WILL BUY OR SELL. The undersigned is prepared to purchase any quantity of elm or birch stave bolts, black ash for heading, and pine, cedar or black ash for shingles, in the log, or bolts.

A good stock of shingles, staves and heading always on hand. THOS. C. MOORE.

Summaged to appear before THE BARBER. Where you can get an easy shave, a stylish haircut, a shaving, a shampoo, or a cooling sea foam. I spare no pains, and give no pain in the accomplishment of a good shave. Razors and combs set in perfect order, on shortest notice.

J. WORDEN, BARBER, Mill Street, Acton.

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Account Books of all kinds made to order. Periodicals of every description carefully bound.—Binding neatly and promptly done.

ROYAL, (OF ENGLAND) INSURANCE COMPANY, FIRE AND LIFE. Capital, Ten Million Dollars.

Liberty of Guarantee Unlimited. Funds Invested, \$25,000,000. Annual Income, \$5,000,000. Insured in Canada for Protection of Canadian Policy Holders, \$500,000. The Royal Insurance Company has the Largest Surplus of any Fire Insurance Company in the World. All kinds of property—Country and Town solicited. Also Marine Losses. D. McEILLY, Esq., Hamilton, A. A. RECORD, Esq., Agent, Acton.

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MONEY LOANED ON APPROVED NOTES. Notes Discounted and Interest allowed on Deposits.

10 CENT STORE, And Cheap Cash Bazaar, Upper Wyndham Street, Guelph.

COME & SEE ONE NEW SPRING ARRIVAL FROM

Germany, France, England, and New York! Grand Store of New Goods! Thousands of Articles of Every Day Use! Household Goods! Ornamental Goods! Useful Goods.

Very Little Money will buy a whole lot of things

10 CENT STORE and Cheap Cash Bazaar, Four doors west of Post Office.

JAS. F. KIDNER, GUELPH.

FLOUR AND FEED.

B. W. NICKLIN, In tendering hearty thanks to the people of Acton and vicinity for their kind patronage in the past, would respectfully inform them that he has constantly on hand at his Mill, foot of Mill street, a full stock of

Flour, Oat Meal, Corn Meal, Buckwheat Flour, Cracked Wheat and Chopped Stuffs

Of all kinds, any of which he is prepared to deliver daily.

Your patronage is kindly solicited. Orders left at my residence will receive prompt attention. Terms strictly Cash.

B. W. NICKLIN, Acton, Feb. 9, 1882.

Medical Hall, ACTON

DR. M. FORSTER

NEW BUTCHER SHOP

W. C. ROBINSON

World Intimate to the people of Acton that he has purchased the building and fixtures for a Butcher Shop, and that he has taken possession of the same.

Beef, Pork, Mutton, Poultry and Game in season. Also, a full stock of fresh meat, and a full stock of cured meats.

And hopes by strict attention to business to receive a fair share of the patronage of the public. All orders delivered as early as possible.

Terms Cash.—A Call Solicited. Orders Promptly Attended to.

W. C. ROBINSON

Housekeepers, Housekeepers, Acton, Ontario. Call and see Day's New Choice Stock of

American Window Cloths, In all Shades and Colors with Tassels and Cord to Match.

Day's Bookstore, GUELPH.

DAY SELLS CHEAP

A SPLENDID NEW STOCK

WATCHES

JEWELRY,

JUST RECEIVED

WM. S. SMITH'S

Don't fail to call and examine when you go to GUELPH.

The Watch and Clock House of Guelph.

American Watches

The Finest Stock we ever had of Elgin & Waltham make, in Nickel, Silver, and Gold Cases.

I claim my Nickel cases are whiter and purer than any other being made especially for myself.

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East End Butcher Shop.

H. MARLATT & BRO.

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A call solicited.

H. MARLATT & BRO.

SALESMEN WANTED. To begin work at once on Sales for Fall of 1889, for the

FONTHILL NURSERIES, THE LARGEST IN CANADA.

HEAD OFFICE, TORONTO, ONT. Branch Office, Montreal, P. Q., & St. Paul, Minn.

Nurseries, Fonthill, Ontario.

We can start, in addition to our already large force.

100 Additional Ovens, and want more who can give full time to the business. Steady employment and good salaries to successful ones. It does not matter what your previous occupation has been, if you are willing to work your success is almost certain. The best of references required. Apply to

STONE & WELLINGTON, Toronto, Ont.

FIMPLES. It will not only remove the pimples, but also the redness and inflammation, leaving the skin soft, smooth and beautiful. It is an invaluable remedy for the treatment of all eruptions of the skin, such as pimples, freckles, and blotches, and is especially adapted for the treatment of the face. It is sold in all the leading drug stores.

THE FREE PRESS. THURSDAY MORNING, April 27, 1889. POETRY.

AN ESSAY ON 'S'. Such strange sorts of souls as are on the Sphere, Some smiling, some silent, some stern and stern, Some smiling sweetly, some sober and staid, Some stay in the sunshine and some in the shade, Some stooping, some straight, some slender, some stout, Some starting in silence, some ruffling with some sullen and sick, some sturdy and strong, Some sorry and sighing, and some sining, Some sassy and scolding, some shiftless, some shrewd, Some sincere and steadfast, some sallow, Some sly and simple, the slow, the so-called, Speculators and swindlers, and statesmen in state, The sculptor and salesman, the savage, the sage, The saint and the sinner, the speaker on stage, Segments, awakens, sets, sailors at sea, The spreader of scandal, smooth slanderer she, Some seamstresses, some at the spindle and spool, Southsayers and stewards, and scholars at school, Secularists and seagoons, and shepherds of sheep, Surveysors, surgeons, and surgeons in sleep, Some slaves and some soldiers, some scoundrels and some scamps, Some scribblers of stanzas for sake of the stamp.

OUR STORY. An Unintentional Service.

"Yes indeed, Burt is a dear brother, but oh! he's such a responsibility!"

As she says this a look of care settles over the features of the little matron who speaks.

"You know, Ada," she goes on, "he's so rick and so handsome—if I ever see him again, I'll be sure to get a worthy of him my mind will be relieved."

Ada smiles at the suggestion:

"It's a responsibility that a good many wouldn't mind relieving you of."

"That's the trouble!" exclaimed Mrs. Netherby. "Burt is the most indolgent fellow imaginable to the last sex, and it is just those kind that, when they once fall in love, nothing except their fancy weighs as anything in the balance. I'm so proud of my brother that if he should marry beneath him it would break my heart."

At the very earnest conclusion Ada looks up with a somewhat doubtful expression upon her face.

"Shall I tell her?" she thinks. "Yes, I will." Then—"Kate, I led the conversation this way with a purpose. I knew just how you felt about Burt, and as to my mind, the promise of friends is to do each other service, I thought I ought to tell you what Charles has heard and seen."

"Charles told you something about Burt—oh, Ada, what is it? Do not keep me in suspense."

"Oh, it is nothing so very dreadful; only for some time past Burt has been paying constant attention to the young lady clerk in Hensel's music-store. Charles says that he has seen him, evening after evening, go to the store just about closing time, wait until she comes out, and then walk with her. I was sure Charles's club is exactly opposite to Hensel's."

"Ada, it is incredible! My brother pays attention to a girl behind the counter? I cannot believe it! And then, if it is so, how he has deceived me! I'll have it out with him this very day!"

What she has come to say, said Ada, the disinterested friend, who for a long time had had her mental eye fixed tongue-tied upon the wealth and fascinations of Kate Netherby's brother, rises, and drawing her shawl wrap about her shapely shoulders, prepares to depart.

"Don't for the world let Burt know how you found out, for I'm afraid he might be angry with me; and as we have always been the best of friends, it would be a pity."

"Certainly not, Ada. Oh, dear, how much happier I was a few moments ago! I must say that I fully agree with the saying, 'Where ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise.' Still, all the same, I'm obliged to you for your warning. I know it was affection that prompted you."

And, though Ada does not suspect the latent meaning of her friend's words, Mrs. Netherby does know full well what affection it is that prompted the disclosure that has filled her mind with such perturbation.

"Dinner does arrive, and with it Burt. Kate does not see any half-way policy, but opens her letter at once. As she talks unobtrusively and indignantly, not giving him a chance to reply, she did he desire to, Burt looks at her in amazement. Little mother, adoring sister—his food!

"Little mother"—this flustered, excited—put it plainly, very wonderful young woman!

He waits till she pauses, and then, with a dignity that surprises Kate in her turn, he answers her accusations.

"I will not deny, as you seem to think I will that the story with which some meddling busy-body had filled your ears is true. It is, every word of it. Two months ago, by the worst accident I saw and fell in love with the fairest girl I ever set my eyes upon. That she was honorably work for her maintenance only made her the nobler in my estimation. I procured an introduction, not without difficulty. As you have heard, I did go to the store often—I may say frequently; and several times I loitered, when the weather was stormy, upon seeing her home. Kate, it never entered my mind that you had any of that low-bred pride that would deem it derogatory to a person to be obliged to earn her living. You complain that I have deceived you. It was not deceit, but negligence, for until I learned my fate I did not care to speak to you about it. And so probably my only cover has been heard anything about it had it been for your informant, for my fate has been learned—to my cost."

The conclusion of his sentence brought Kate to her feet.

"To your cost! Burt, what do you mean?"

"Simply," he replied, "that your brother has had his self-esteem pretty effectually crushed out of existence. The girl I love cares not the least for me, save," bitterly, "as a friend."

With the last words, Burt's head sank into his hands.

Kate looked at him aghast. Never before had she seen a shadow upon her idolized brother's frank, merry face, and now it is no more clouded but a tempest of suffering that convulses his features. She goes to him and puts her arms about his neck, and pride completely routed.

"My poor brother is it as bad as this? Forgive, oh, forgive me if I have wounded you. I never will again."

And so they are reconciled, and for a time everything goes on as before. Then something happens that has the finger of fate impressed upon it. Burt, who has always justly prided himself upon his bonhomie, while riding in the park, is thrown into the Netherby household is a sad one that night, for in his darkened room Burt lies, now delirious and now lapsing into consciousness. In his fall his head had come in contact with a sharp stone and a grave injury had been the result.

One morning a small, richly-dressed lady enters Mr. Hensel's music-store; although her figure is far from stately, there is in her bearing that unmistakable something that tells of social importance and refinement.

"May I speak with Miss Leonard for a few moments in private?" she asks, courteously.

Her wish is granted, and a little later Kate finds herself alone in the proprietor's private office with the young lady who has come to see.

Shingle Your Own House. SCENE—Bar room. Time—Midnight. Wife—"I wish that man would go home, if he has one to go to."

Landlord—"Hush! hush! he'll call for something else."

Wife—"I wish he would make haste about it, then, for it's time every honest man was in bed."

Landlord—"He's taking the shingles off his own house and putting them on ours."

At this James began to come to his right senses, and commenced rubbing his eyes, and stretching himself as if he had just woken, said:

"I believe I will go."

"Don't be in a hurry, James," said the landlord.

"O yes, I must go," said James, and he started.

After an absence of some time, the landlord met and accosted him with:

"Hello, Jim, why ain't you been down to see us?"

"Why, I had taken so many shingles off my house it began to leak, so I thought it time to shingle the leak, and I have done it," said James.

The tavern-keeper and his wife were astonished.

James is now a happy man, and his wife and children are happy too.

Young man, whose house are you shingling?

Too Many Hours. There is one painful aspect of farm life that calls for a change. No reform in politics is needed more. It is that farmers work too many hours. They know this as well as we do; but it is one of those latent scraps of knowledge that is never permitted to assert itself, and the farmer plods on as if in a deep rut that it is impossible for him to get out of. "I am working for all day," said a hard head to us; "you work only as the fancy seizes you." There is a reason in this. Suppose the slow, weary walk of the working farmer were quickened; suppose he rushed all of his work the same as mechanics rush theirs; suppose, in a word, he accomplished in ten hours the work that now employs him from sun-up till sun-down, and then passed a pleasant evening with his family, would not he in the end accomplish more work and more effective work? Would not his life be happier and more worth the living?

"Well Begun—Half Done." This is true of most kinds of farm work. Previously well considered plans, well seed, implements, teams, harness, etc., so as to strike right into the work is equal, are large elements of success. We know some farmers who are always complaining of "bad luck," poor soil, unfavorable seasons, etc. We have seen them start from the breakfast table at 6 1/2 to 7 o'clock, and frequently the same old-fashioned apparatus—all got together, and then very often there is a missing link, or bolt, or screw. Thinking, planning, arranging beforehand, taking time by the forelock, are just as important to the tiller of the soil, as the man in any other business. Active spring work is upon us; be ready to strike the most effective blows at the very start: "Well begun—half done."

Don't Neglect The Garden. No part of the farm pays better than the land devoted to the garden, yet so many of us will be true economy to have an acre or two of wheat, or other field crop, and to neglect the garden. When farmers learn that a constant diet of corned beef and cabbage, varied by pork and beans—both excellent in their way—can be easily varied by many other, and not more costly forms of food, we shall bear less of the question: "How to keep boys on the farm?" and to other forms of food, we include an ample supply of fruits.

He Shone Nothing! I keep a shop and sell fancy goods. A gentleman came in to buy something. It was early, and my little boy and I were alone in the house at the time. The gentleman gave me a sovereign, and I had to go upstairs to my cash box. Before doing so I went into the little room next to the shop and said to my boy: "Watch the gentleman; he don't steal anything," and I put him on the counter. As soon as I returned he sang out: "Pa, he didn't steal anything; I watched him." You may imagine what a position I was in.

Coaching. One of the old-time stage-coach drivers, who has been on the road over half a century, says that life is put together considerably like a set of bones. There are joints of care, bits of trouble, bits of good fortune, breathes of food, wisdom, bridled tongue, and every body has his tag to pull through.

The base of our life is discontent. We say we will work so long and then we will enjoy ourselves. But we find it just as tedious to work as to enjoy ourselves. When I was a boy, he said, I wanted some things, and I was a shilling—I had a one when I was a man I had a shilling and I didn't have any more.

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