POETRY.

Oh! I'm a merry laughing girl,
So happy, wild and free,
And to keep so, I've locked my heart,
And thrown away the key.

For once let love creep in the heart,
And light his tender flame,
Then all your freedom's gone, while you
May sigh, for it in vain.

Young Cupid, though a pretty boy,
Is yet a tyrant stern;
His galling chains will tightly pull
Whichever way you turn.

So pray, young girls, take my advice,
Be happy while you can,
And if you shun both grief and care,
O! never love a man.

WYNIE.

FRIENDSHIP.

O say not friendship is a name
Used only for betraying;
That none e'er feel the sacred flame,
When fortune is decaying.
No! there are hearts that never range,
When once their truth is plighted,
But are the same, when years of change,
The fairest hopes have blighted.

O, call it not an idle dream
Of fancy's airy weaving,
A false and evanescent gleam
When benighted still deceiving.
No, no; believe me thou wilt find
Thy love and truth requited,
And in the heart their joys enshrined,
When other hopes are blighted.

ALICE.

TO MINNIE.

If every wish of mine might gain
Its object of desire.
Earth should afford thee naught but bliss,
And life should never tire.

Long, long be thine a flowery path,
And thine a sunny sky,
May tears of sorrow never dim
The lustre of thine eye.

Let this whene'er it meets your gaze,
Claim but a passing thought
For one who wishes the and thine
A bright and happy lot.

J. W.

Grimsby, May 10th 1867.

Trade is a Little Dull.

The following illustrates the fact that "trade is a little dull!" and also that the portion of the business community known as 'drummers,' or commercial travellers, despite their almost inexhaustible resources of invention, are often obliged to yield to the pressure of these stagnant times.

One of these gentlemen, who has recently returned from a trip for Thistle Brothers & Co., of the city of Boston, did not show a very large exhibit of orders to balance the liberal expenses account allowed him by the firm, and Mr. Thistle, after looking over his return, said:

'Mr. Duff, I am afraid you did not approach the dealers in the right way; I used to be very successful in this line.—Now, just suppose me to be Mr. Home, of Camsland, Illinois, and show me the way you introduce the house.'

Accordingly, Duff stepped out of the counting-room, and re-entered, hat in hand, inquiring. 'Is Mr. Home in?'

'That is my name,' answered Thistle urbanely.

'My name is Duff, sir. I represent the house of Thistle Brothers & Co., of Boston.'

Thistle, is his character of Western merchant, rose, offered the salesman a chair, and expressed his pleasure at seeing him.

'I am stopping with Overcharge at the Stickem House, and have a fine unbroken lot of samples I should like to show you. Think we can offer you some special advantages,' &c., &c. And Duff delivered himself of a neat speech in professional style.

'Very well, very well,' said Thistle, 'I don't see but that you understand the way to get at customers.'

'Excuse me, Mr. Thistle,' said Duff, 'I am afraid you do not understand the style of Western merchants just now; suppose you exchange places with me, and we repeat this rehearsal.'

'Certainly,' said Thistle; and picking up his hat, he stepped out. Returning, he found Duff with his chair tilted back, hat cocked fiercely over his right eye, his boots planted on Mr. Thistle's polished desk, and a lighted cigar between his teeth.

Thistle looked a little staggered, but nevertheless he commenced.

'Is Mr. Home in?'

'Yes he is,' responded Duff, blowing a cloud of pure Connecticut into Thistle's eyes. 'Who are you?'

'I represent the house of Thistle Brothers & Co.,' said the astonished employer, coughing out about a quart of smoke from his throat.

'Are you one of that concern?'

'No, Sir, I am not,' said Thistle.

'Well, it's very lucky for you that you are not, for I've had two drummers to one customer in my store for the last two months, and if I could get hold of one of the fools that sends 'em out here at this time, I would boot him clean out of the town of Camsland.'

'That'll do, that'll do, Mr. Duff,' said Thistle. 'I have no doubt you did the best you could for the interest of the house. Trade is a little dull.'

A Yankee pedlar with his cart, overtaking another of his clan on the road, was thus addressed:—'Hollo, what do you carry?' 'Drugs and medicines,' was the reply. 'Good, you may go ahead,' said the other, 'I carry gravestones.'

A reported failure of a dry goods house in London, is spoken of by the *Prototype* of Wednesday. The assets of the establishment are placed at $1,800, and the liabilities at $10,000.—The *Prototype* regrets to hear that one of its city wholesale dry goods firms will suffer to a large extent by the failure in question. Notwithstanding this much to be regretted occurrance, its merchants, on the whole, stand upon as sound a footing as those in any other city in the Dominion.

Economy of Marriage.

Many young people delay marriage from a morbid fear of inability to meet the expenses of wedded life. But a Kentucky farmer thinks it the wisest economy for any one to marry, provided he finds the right kind of a wife. He gives a leaf from personal experience, and says:

I have been farming twenty-two years. The first four years I was unmarried. I began farming with two hundred and fifty acres, in the Blue Glass region. I handled cattle, hogs, sheep and horses—principally the two first named—and lived, I thought, tolerably economically, spent none of the money in tobacco any way; never betting a cent or dissipating in any way, and yet at the end of four years I had made little or no clear money. I then married a young lady eighteen years of age—one who had never done any housework, or work of any kind, except making a portion of her own clothes. She had never made a shirt, drawers, pants, or waistcoat, or even sewed a stitch on a coat, and yet before we had been married a year, she had made for me every one of the articles of clothing named, and knit numbers of pairs of socks for me—yes, and mended divers articles for me, not excepting an old hat or two. She had also made butter, sold chickens and other fowls, and vegetables, to the amount of six hundred dollars in cash, at the end of the year, whereas, during the four that I was single I had never sold five cents worth—besides making me purely happy and contented with, and, at my own home. And so far, as to making money, we have made money clear of expenses every year since we were married, in everything that we have undertaken on the farm, and she has made from three hundred and fifty to five hundred dollars every year except one, during the time, selling butter, eggs, and marketing of different kinds. My yearly expenses for fine clothing, &c., before I was married, were more than my yearly expenses were after I was married, combined with the expenses of my wife and children, and our farm has increased from two hundred and fifty to six hundred acres, and I believe that if I had not married it never would have increased but little, if any; and I have never been absent from home six nights, when my wife was at our home, since we were married, and her cheeks kiss as sweetly to me as they did the morning after we were married.

The Most Impudent Man in America.

It is related of a certain Washingtonian, of some thirty years ago, that he once rang at the door of the then British Minister to this country, and telling the servant that he had important business with the minister, was shown into an ante-room, where he was soon joined by that official, when the following dialogue took place:—"May I ask, sir, what business it is that you have with me?" Mr. P.—"Certainly, sir. It is this. In passing your house I learned that you have a whist party here to-night, and as I am remarkably fond of the game, I thought I would just step in and see what are trumps." It is related that the sublime impudence of the thing so amused the Minister that he invited the intruder into the room where the guests were assembled, and introduced him as "the most impudent man in America."

ENIGMAS.

1

Complete, I attract the astronomer's eye,
A luminous object beheld in the sky;
Yet tho' strange it may seem, this truth you agree,
You began and will end your existence on me.
If you shorten by one termination my name,
I'm *inclined* to aspire to mechanical fame;
Another lopp'd off, the remainder will tell
What is easier to do, than to execute well;
Of both my externals now see me be reft,
How very perplexing a thing you have left!
If you chance to find two which diverge from one centre,
And no post to inform you the right one to enter.

2

Dear ladies don't think us conceited and bold,
If we say that our first, not *too* young nor *too* old,
Are (under the rose) prime favorites of yours,
Yet so little compassion your favor insures,
That once having caught us, we're left in the lurch,
And you aim to put us to death in the church.

Our second is merely a part of your dress,
More useful than showy you'll freely confess,
But attached to our first in the garden so gay,
They call up a smile as you pluck us and say—
They're pretty, but scentless, and never were ment
To bloom there alone in unsocial content.

3

Whole, I am a spirit.
Behead me, and I am a multitude.
Behead me and transpose me, I am a drunkard.
Curtail me, I am an adverb.
Behead me again, and I am an exclamation.

4

I am composed of 13 letters.
My 9, 7, 13, is the name of a General.
My 12, 2, 4, is a liquor.
My 6, 10, 11, 3, 7, 1, are used instead of fences.
My 8, 2, 12, is an animal.
My 4, 10, 5, is used in fishing.
My whole all young men ought to do.

ANSWERS.

No. 1.—Pillow.
No. 2.—Missouri.
No. 3.—Gas
No. 4.—19,000.

The New Dominion
STOVE AND PLOUGH STORE!

THE SUBSCRIBER begs to announce to the citizens of Milton and vicinity that he has commenced business in the

Store Opposite the English Church, Main Street, Milton,

Where he will keep constantly on hand a heavy stock of

COOKING AND PARLOR STOVES OF THE LATEST AND MOST IMPROVED PATTERNS, STOVE-PIPING &C.,

He has started in connection with his STOVE and PLOUGH business a

TIN-SHOP

Whereby keeping skilled workmen, and the very best of Stock, he will be able to do work as cheap and good as any in the County. He has also on hand the CELEBRATED PATENT IRON HEATER, with a stock of Flat Irons. He has also a large stock of

STEEL PLOUGHS,

Which he will sell for 18 dollars! which is considerably less than Cast-Iron Ploughs are sold in this neighborhood. Farmers would do well to call and examine the stock before commencing their fall work. They are more durable, and easier draught, and are of the best model.

North's Patent Drum Heater

Constantly on hand. This celebrated Drum, which is used on many the cars, and in the Western States, where it takes the preference of all others. Acts as a ventilator Saves half the fuel and adds greatly to comfort!

Certificates from Engineer G. W. R.; A. McCallum, Principal Central School Hamilton; John Street and King Street Methodist Churches; P.W. Dayfoot Stove Dealer; Z. Pattison, Confectioner, and many others.

These heaters put in and no charge made, if not satisfactory.

N.B.—Cooking apparatus of all kinds sold separately at low rates. Terms—Cash Farm Produce.

PATRICK McDERMOTT,

Milton, October 2, 1867. 17-tf

WILLIAM P. WILLCOX,

WATCHMAKER & JEWELLER.

MAIN-ST. MILTON.

Begs to announce that he has just received a Full Supply of

English, Swiss and American Watches, Clocks of all Descriptions.

Also a large Assortment of

GOLD WEDDING RINGS, BROOCHES, EAR-RINGS,

BOG-OAK AND RUBBER JEWELRY.

ALSO

ELECTROPLATED WARE

Ingreat variety.

Goods sold twenty per cent below Toronto or Hamilton prices.

All work warranted and punctually attended to. The best of workmanship guaranteed. Charges Moderate.

SHOP—Next door to P. M. McKay's.

Milton, December 16th, 1868. 28-tf

W. J. STEARN,
TIN AND STOVE DEALER,
MILTON,

BEGS to announce that he is prepared to manufacture any quantity of

NORTH'S PATENT DRUM HEATER,

Which are the best in use as proved by certificates from parties in all parts of the Dominion. For simplicity of construction, efficiency in heating and economy in Fuel, it cannot be surpassed. It is no new thing but has been before the public for some years, and undergone some very severe tests, but has always been triumphant.

They are peculiarly adapted for Churches, Schools, Halls, &c. Their effects are quickly felt in a more striking manner in large rooms that have been difficult to heat without a very large amount of fuel. They can be used on every description of Stove, cooking as well as others, and the sizes are adapted to rooms in which they may be required.

Stove-Pipes and Tinware

Always on hand, at

LOW PRICES.

W. J. STEARN.

Milton, Oct. 7th. 1868. 18 tf

Estray.

CAME into Lot 10, Town Line, N. S. Nelson, about the 1st of October last,

A Brindle Steer, 1 year old.

The owner is requested to prove property, pay charges, and take it away.

WILLIAM NEWELL.

Nelson, Jan. 19th, 1869. 32-4t

WANTED,

200 CORDS OF BARK.

Cash for Bark.

Samuel F. Taylor

Will pay

$4,00 per CORD

for

HEMLOCK BARK,

or more if extra good, at his

TANNERY, MILTON.

SAMUEL F. TAYLOR.

Milton, January 28th, 1869. 33-6t

TENDERS! TENDERS!

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up to Thursday, the 25th inst., at noon, for building a school house in S. S. No 1, in the Township of Trafalgar. Estimates may be made either for brick or stone. Plans and specifications may be seen at A. Willmott's, Lot No. 9, 2nd Concession, Trafalgar. The trustees do not bind themselves to take any tender except satisfactory.

AUSTIN WILLMOTT,
JAMES BIGGAR,
SAMUEL PETTIGREW,
Trustees of S. S. No. 1, Trafalgar.

Trafalgar, Feb. 9, 1869. 35-4t

Advertise in the "Champion."

HUGH M'KAY
General Grocer and
PROVISION MERCHANT,
MAIN STREET,
GEORGETOWN.

☞ Everything in the line kept in season.

Georgetown, 24th June, 1868. 1-ly

SELLING OFF!

Great Bargains

AT

D. D. CHRISTIE'S.

He is now offering for sale his entire Stock of

STAPLE & FANCY

DRY GOODS

Silk Velvets, Millinery, Mantles,

BOOTS, SHOES &C., &C.,

AT COST PRICES AND UNDER,

As all must be sold before removing; and such a rare chance to get Cheap Goods is seldom offered. A call from all is respectfully solicited by

D. D. CHRISTIE.

Milton, December 16th, 1868. 28-tf

SHINGLES

FOR SALE.

Any quantity of the very best quality of

SAWED SHINGLES,

For sale at

Wm. Smiley's Mills,

MILTON.

N.B.—Several hundred Bunches on hand—well seasoned.

November 11th, 1868. 23-1m

JARVIS'

LIVERY STABLES

MILL STREET, GEORGETOWN.

THE Subscribers beg to inform the inhabitants of Georgetown and vicinity that they have purchased the Livery Stables formerly belonging to Duncan Clark, and having added to the former stock several excellent Horses and new and comfortable Vehicles, they are now prepared to furnish the public with the very best conveyances at reasonable rates.—Double and Single Buggies, Carriages, Cutters, Sleighs, Saddle Horses, and everything in our line, provided on the shortest notice, and on the most moderate terms.

JARVIS & BRO.

Georgetown, August 26, 1868. 12-tf

Subscribe for the "Champion."

A SPECIAL

CLEARING SALE!

AT

Barclay & McLeod's,

MAMMOTH HOUSE,

GEORGETOWN.

HAVING PURCHASED A LARGE PORTION OF

Messrs. J. Baillies & Coy's

MONTREAL

BANKRUPT STOCK

AT

HALF ITS VALUE,

The public are to have the advantage. Several lines of

WINTER GOODS

MUST BE

Cleared Out in Thirty Days,

As our buyer has Telegraphed us from England of

IMMENSE PURCHASES FOR THE SPRING TRADE!

To make room *bona fide* bargains will be given.

☞ No Goods Charged during this Great Sale.

BARCLAY & McLEOD.

GEORGETOWN, January 20th, 1869. 32-tf

'68 Cheap Boots & Shoes. '68

THE Subscriber begs to intimate to his customers and the public generally that he has now received a good assortment of

BOOTS & SHOES

Suitable for the

SPRING & SUMMER TRADE

Which will be found equal to any offered in the County for Cheapness and durability.

ORDERED DEPARTMENT.

C. NIEHAUS,

Desires to draw particular attention to this very important department of his business: His stock of Leathers embraces the very best quality, and the quality of the work will be found to compare with any in the county.

Charles Niehaus.

Milton, April 7th, 1868. 44-tf

JOHN NEWTON & SONS,
WOOLEN MANUFACTURERS,
LIMEHOUSE, ONTARIO.

EVERY DESCRIPTION OF

CUSTOM WORK

In their line promptly done on the MOST LIBERAL TERMS. A large Stock of Goods of their Own Manufacture constantly on hand, for sale or exchange for Wool.

THE HIGHEST MARKET PRICE GIVEN FOR WOOL.

JOHN NEWTON.

Limehouse, 23rd April, 1868. 46-tf

ROBERT HAWTHORNE,
MILTON,

Begs to announce that in addition to his

EXTENSIVE BLACKSMITHING & WAGON MAKING BUSINESS

He has added that of the

Manufacture of First-Class Buggies, Carriages of all descriptions,

SINGLE AND DOUBLE BUGGIES, MARKET WAGONS, &c., manufactured from the very best material, and by skilled workmen. From his reputation for the manufacture of Strong and Serviceable Vehicles, he confidently relies on the patronage of the public in his new enterprise.

Painting on Reasonable Terms.

R. HAWTHORNE.

Milton, February 26th, 1868. 38-6m

NEW DRY-GOODS STORE

MESSRS. W. D. & R. A. LYON

ANNOUNCE that owing to the great increase in their business, and the improved state of the country, owing to the late bountiful harvest, they have opened out a

New Dry-Goods Establishment

IN THE ADJOINING STORE.

Their New Stock having

BEEN PURCHASED FOR CASH AT A SACRIFICE!

will be disposed of at rates never known in this neighborhood. Now is the time for bargains—come and see for yourselves. In their two Mammoth Establishments they keep a large general stock of

GROCERIES,

75 Barrels Lake Huron White Fish,

Crockery, Hardware, Paints, Oils, Boots & Shoes.

LIQUORS.

Old Rye and Common Whiskey,
Wine, Gin, Rum,
Brandy, Ale and Porter,

All of the Best quality.

Fashionable Tailoring Done on the Premises.

W. D. & R. A. LYON.

Milton, December 16th 1868. 28-tf

MILTON

WOOLEN MILLS,

1868.

MR. LOGAN McCANN,

Begs to announce to his numerous patrons that he is prepared to attend to their wants with greater facilities than ever Having secured the services of

Two First-Class Workmen,

And put in a STEAM ENGINE and TUBULAR BOILER, he can attend to any quantity of work and can guarantee it to be done in the very best style.

CUSTOM WORK PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO.

LOGAN McCANN.

Milton, June 13th, 1868. 2-tf