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THE NEW BOOK-STORE

Ready-Made Clothing

Books of all kinds

McNAUGHTON & CO.

A GRAND CLEARING OUT SALE

One Price Asked and No Less Taken.

Aug 22nd, 1878.

ROBINSON'S CARRIAGE WORKS

The Largest Stock of Cutters and Sleighs in Kingston

Stylish Pleasure Sleighs, equal to any in the Province.

CHEAP WINTER CLOTHING

C. Livingston, 21 Brock Street

To the Electors of the City of Kingston

Gentlemen,

I beg to solicit your support as MAYOR FOR 1879.

C. F. GILDERSLEEVE.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

TO ALL THE PATRONS OF THE

VICTORIA WAREHOUSE

PARKHILL'S For Cheap Fruit.

PARKHILL'S For Genuine Liquors.

PARKHILL'S For Fine TEAS.

PARKHILL'S For Pure Coffee.

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CHRISTMAS CAROL.

There's a song in the air!
There's a star in the sky!
And the stars in the firmament
Are all singing to thee!

Land Agency.

To Let:

The Flat over Macdonell & Madie's Office, Clarence Street, adjoining Montreal Telegraph Office, containing sitting room, with gas, dining room, two bed rooms and kitchen, with cupboards in each; water and permanent table in kitchen; veranda in rear. A most eligible residence where situation near the water is desirable.

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IS DETERMINED TO SELL READY-MADE CLOTHING AT LOWER prices and live more than any other Store in the city, as he manufactures all his Goods, and you have the advantage of buying them at MANUFACTURERS' PRICES.

To the Electors of the City of Kingston

Gentlemen,

Having been requested by a large and influential number of the Electors to represent this city in the next Parliament of Ontario, I have the honor to announce that I have accepted the position, and will commence a personal canvass of the city in a few days. I rest my claim to the position on what I have already done, and what I pledge myself to do in the same straightforward course I have always pursued, having an eye single to the prosperity of the Province, the advancement of the city, and especially to the welfare of my fellow citizens.

THE LARGEST AND CHEAPEST ASSORTMENT OF

Holiday Groceries and Liquors

PARKHILL'S.

Make a Note of It.

T. B. HAWLEY,

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF KINGSTON.

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ISAAC DAVID, BROKER.

Dealer in Second Hand Clothing of all kinds.

IF YOU WANT THE BEST CIDER in the world by the Glass, Quart or Gallon, go to ISAAC DAVID'S, 100 Princess Street.

THE PEOPLE'S CLOTHING HOUSE,

21 Brock Street, (next to McCarley & Birch's)

CHARLES LIVINGSTON.

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CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

Given Away to Every Customer

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China House

TO BE SACRIFICED

\$30,000

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SHOP TO LET.

THE PROPERTY of the late William A. ...

WATER WORKS NOTICE.

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FOR SALE.

ON the Southwest corner of Lot 24, in the 5th Concession of the Township of Kingston, containing 50 Acres of good cultivated Land.

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What can't be accomplished openly must be done by stratagem, mamma. It is probable this Gage Redmond is after Patricia money. She is a great girl, nationally. Well, you say I am prouder than Patty. Suppose I play decoy?

"What?" cried mamma.

"Mr. Redmond is dark and reserved. I am fair and volatile. Don't you think he will appreciate my style of beauty if I take a little pains to make him do so?"

"Mr. Redmond?"

"I will tell him he will not object."

"I think he will."

"Oh, no, he'll be interested in the good of the family. Fortunately Patty is sick with a cold, and Mr. Redmond can see but little of her till then."

Quite pleased with my scheme, I ran up stairs to give Patricia her cough drops sitting down at the window of her room and bowing cordially to Mr. Redmond's shadow as he came in writing in his uncle's study, in the great mansion across the way. The ladies hid all the house but that one window. He was there a good while, and I reflected that Patty's blue and courteous manner, becoming to my style of beauty than hers.

"I'll bring my embroidery up and sit with you, Patty."

"Do," she said; "I am tired watching the express man writing about the gay spring sky."

"So I filled my lap with rose-colored worsted and framed myself in the blue window-trap for Mr. Redmond's benefit. I set the colors to set off the pink and snow of my complexion, and had the satisfaction of meeting his eyes more than once when I gazed over the way."

"Mamma to me your wonderfully good spirit, Gertrude, remarked Patricia indignantly."

"The Delacy dinner bell rang, and Mr. Redmond disappeared."

"Well, I must take them in another direction now," I said, rising. "I can't give any more time to you, as I want to finish my blue silk suit before Mr. Sherrington comes. You'd better take a nap."

Patricia settled herself obediently on her cushions. Suddenly she lifted her beautiful hair.

"Has Mr. Redmond called to inquire for me to-day, Gertrude?"

"No, I believe not," I replied indifferently.

"She showed a moment's surprise, then settled herself on her couch again, and then five minutes was sleeping sweetly."

"The blue silk was finished, and having laid aside my half mourning for Aunt Betty, I donned it, the family pronounced the effect charming."

"Is Mr. Sherrington coming to-night, Gertrude?"

"Yes."

"I want to say to you, my dear, that on Mr. Sherrington's account I don't think you had better—she whispered, but I interrupted her by my exit from the apartment."

The next train brought Clyde Sherrington.

"How delightful that the spring is here," said he, "the sunbeams growing warm, and the grass springing! I passed a bit of woodcock country from the station that is full of arbutus. We will have some delightful walks, Gertrude. I am very tired of city life."

"Yes, Clyde dear, but you see I have been in the habit of making a little plan which will interfere with your plans, with that arrangement, I replied quickly, 'I want to lend you to Patricia.'

"Lend me to Patricia?"

"Yes, while I have away a most inimitable article of pink arbutus as you conclude that it is the only way 'I told Patricia has a fortune of about \$100,000 you know."

"Yes."

"Well, we think that Gage Redmond is after her money. He is only a brilliant lawyer. We can't afford to let her go, and so, as I don't think I'm totally uninteresting person, do you, Clyde? I am going to try and find a little woman, Mr. Redmond, who will suit me as well as a bear, and say yes, you won't be a bear, and you'll help me by donating yourself to Patricia, won't you?"

At first my companion didn't believe I was in earnest, but when continued of my sincerity by my own statement, he was persuaded. I remember he mentioned some faint objections, but I would not listen, and before retiring that night I whispered to mamma that I had made it all right with Mr. Redmond, and she had only to observe her newly I would manage the whole affair.

I sent Patricia off in the morning to find arbutus with Mr. Sherrington, while I went to receive Mr. Redmond.

When he came I led him in the garden, and had ordered lunch an hour earlier than usual. My pale blue silk looked beautiful on the lawn grass.

"Patricia is in the garden," Mr. Redmond, I called as he walked up the avenue.

He came pleased enough, and as he was especially fond of flowers, I had no trouble in detaining him more than half an hour.

Then, seeing him look at his watch, observed:

"We won't wait lunch for Patricia, for Mr. Sherrington is with her. They have gone round to the Spring flowers, and may not be back till five o'clock. Come in and have a bit of salad with a cup of chocolate, Mr. Redmond. I made the chocolate myself and can recommend it."

So I kept him for another half an hour and he left pleased with his visit.

Patricia and Sherrington came back only fifteen minutes after the usual lunch hour. I had a former so delighted with a professor of pink arbutus as hardly to heed when a servant informed her that Mr. Redmond had called to see her, and stayed with Miss Gertrude for lunch.

She had put the roses clusters in her dark hair and on the bosom of her gray frock, I think I never saw her look so prettily lovely.

He looked at me queerly, but said nothing. I did not want him to expostulate with me, as I believed he wished to do and so kept apart from him during the evening, leaving him to ring and play with Patricia.

He was interesting, with his very natural manner of reserved modesty. I was glad Patricia found him so. He had pale, silken hair that fell in shadowy curls over a beautiful forehead, and softly modulated tones. He contrasted nicely with her dark, spirited beauty.

"Clyde has an elder brother—Raymond—just the one for Patricia. I wonder if it cannot be brought about."

But I soon had my hands full, for at all hours of the day and night Mr. Redmond came to the Hermitage. And it was not long before my success as decoy was not set you to kind your future. He asked only for Miss Gertrude.

In three weeks the crisis burst upon me. He proposed.

"I need to think Mr. Sherrington your lover, he had a handsome face, but his observations have shown me that his visits here are for your sister. Since you are free, then, will you not marry us? I can support you well, Gertrude, or I would not ask you to bind your future with mine. The death of my grandfather two years ago left me \$50,000, besides some real estate. I have a pleasant home on the Hudson—retired but elegant—where I would like to take you. What do you think, Gertrude? Could you be so kind to leave your friends and live at Rose Cottage with me?"

My answer allowed me to stammer nothing because I was so near the door. I impetuously said, and begged Mr. Redmond to give me some time for reflection.

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