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WHAT THE LASSIE SAID.

Noo think ye what the lassie said?
The bright, long-haired lassie said;
Just guess ye what the lassie said
As she came to the loon?—

"Gin I'm to be my Geordie's wife,
The world's gear will cause nae strife;
I'll link my fate and be his wife,
Though fortune's but a croon.

"An' what care I for braws or gear,
Let busy bodies daur wha fear;
I'd rather wed my Geordie dear
Than wear a borrow'd gown.

"We may be poor but that's nae sin;
We creep like bairns afore we rin;
An' fill our house wi' little din,
If health be still our ain.

"The anxious mind mann aye feel sad,
The merry heart makes ithers glad;
Be leal an' true, then, Geordie lad,
Until life's journey's done."

What He Wanted.

The bolt on the back door had needed replacing for a long time, but it was only the other night that Throcton had the presence of mind to buy a new one and take it home. After supper he hunted up his tools, removed the old bolt and measured the location for the new one. He must bore some new holes, and Mrs. Throcton heard him roaming around the kitchen and woodshed, slamming doors, pulling out drawers and kicking the furniture around. She went to the head of the stairs and called down:

'Richard, do you want anything?'

'Yes. I want to know where in Texas that corkscrew is!'

'Corkscrew, Richard?'

'Yes, corkscrew, Richard! I've looked the house over and can't find it!'

'Why, we never had one, Richard.'

'Didn't, eh! We've had a dozen of them in the last two years, and I bought one not four weeks ago. It's always the way when I want anything.'

'But you must be out of your head, husband,' she said, as she descended the stairs.

'We have kept house seven years, and I never remember of seeing you bring a corkscrew home.'

'Oh, yes, I'm out of my head, I am!' he grumbled, as he pulled out the sewing machine drawer and turned over its contents. 'Perhaps I'd better go to the lunatic asylum right away!'

'Well, Richard, I know that I have never seen a corkscrew in this house.'

'Then you're as blind as an owl in daylight, for I've bought five or six! The house is always upside down, anyhow, and I can't never find anything!'

'The house is kept as well as any of your folks can keep one!' she retorted, growing red in the face.

'I'd like my mother here to show you a few things,' he said, as he stretched his neck to look on the high shelf in the pantry.

'Perhaps she'd boil her spectacles with the potatoes again?' answered the wife.

'Do you know who you are talking to!' he yelled, as he jumped down.

'Yes, I do!'

'Well, you'll be going for York State if you don't look out!'

'I'd like to see myself! When I go this house goes!'

'Look out, Nancy?'

'I'm afraid of no man that lives, Richard Throcton!'

'I'll leave you!'

'And I'll laugh to see you!'

Going close up to her he extended his finger, shook it to emphasize his words, and slowly said:

'Nancy Throcton, I'll apply for a divorce to-morrow! I'll tell the judge that I kindly and lovingly asked you where the gimlet was, and you said we'd never had one in the house, which is a bold falsehood, as I can prove!'

'Gimlet!' she gasped.

'Yes, gimlet!'

'Why, I know where there are three or four. You said corkscrew!'

'Did I! he gasped, sitting down on the corner of the table! well now, I believe I did!'

'And you went and abused me like a slave because I wouldn't say a gimlet was a corkscrew!' she sobbed falling on the lounge.

'Nancy,' he said, tenderly lifting her up.

'Oh, Richard!' she chokingly answered.

'Nancy, I'll go right out doors and kill myself!'

'No, you needn't—I love you still;—only—a gimlet is not a corkscrew!'

'It ain't—it ain't, Nancy; forgimme, and le's be happy!'

And that household is so quietly happy that a canary bird would sing its head off if hung up in the hall.

GRAND SWEEPING SALE.

To clear out balance of Fall and Winter Stock,

CHRISTIE, HENDERSON & CO.,

ACTON,

Are now offering their entire stock at

DECIDED BARGAINS FOR CASH ONLY.

Now is the time for Cheap Suits, Overcoats, Shirts, Drawers, Hats, Caps, Boots and Shoes, Shawls, Clouds, Millinery, Mantles, Flowers, Blankets, etc., etc.

See that famous yard-wide Factory, first quality, only 10c.

No Reserve.—All Goods at Bottom Prices. Drives, Jobs and Bargains in every department.

TERMS STRICTLY CASH.—No Goods charged at reduced prices. Produce taken as cash.

"BIG SALE"

COMMENCED AT THE

Mammoth House,

Georgetown,

On Friday, Jan. 7th, 1876.

The balance of our Winter Stock will be cleared out at

Enormously Low Prices.

Big Reduction.

THE GOODS MUST BE SOLD.

Prepare for Bargains.

Note the prices of a few of our leading lines:

Extra heavy Full Cloth, 40c per yd.
Extra heavy Wool Tweed, 50c pr yd.
Extra heavy Blankets, $3.00.
Splendid Shawls, $1.50.
Splendid Jackets, $1.50.
Fur Sets, $2.00.
Extra heavy Flannels, 25c per yard.
Extra heavy Factory Cotton, 7c pr yd
800 Ladies' Wincey Skirts, made up, 50c each.
200 pieces Plain and Fancy Dress Goods, 12½c per yard.
100 pieces Beautiful New Serges, 20c per yard.

The above is only a few lines of goods which we shall offer at this our Big Sale. Remember this is to be the grandest

"PUSH SALE"

we have ever contemplated.

Call and see us if you want to buy

GOODS AT PANIC PRICES.

We shall be pleased to see our customers, and show our stock whether they want to buy or not.

No trouble to show Goods.

McLEOD, ANDERSON & CO.,
Mammoth House,
Georgetown.

N. B.—Remember our Ordered Clothing and Millinery Departments.

McL., A. & Co.

Georgetown, Jan. 11, 1876.

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MAIN STREET, ACTON.

MICHAEL SPEIGHT,

General Blacksmith, Carriage and Wagon Maker.

Best Horse-Shoers in the County

Perfect satisfaction guaranteed or no price charged.

FIRST-CLASS PLOWS

AND

COLLARD'S PATENT IRON HARROWS

Always on hand.

A Good Stock of Carriages and Wagons.

REPAIRING promptly and properly attended to.

Acton, July 1, 1875.

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BOOK AND JOB PRINTING

PROMPTLY EXECUTED AT

THE FREE PRESS OFFICE.

Next Door to the Post Office, Mill Street, Acton.

Another Reduction in Price!

AT

D. McNAIR'S

IN

MILLINERY & FANCY GOODS

Call and see our beautiful stock of

Woolen Goods, Millinery, Dress Goods,
Children's Suits, Haberdashery,
Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods,
Toilet Articles, Toys,
Berlin Wool, etc., etc.

Also a nice stock of **JEWELERY** to be sold off very low.

HOLIDAY GOODS

In great variety, just received, to be rushed off at extraordinary low prices

Butter, Eggs, Poultry, etc., taken in exchange for goods.

Acton, Nov. 17, 1875.

ANOTHER LOT OF

PLATED WARE

OPENING AT

McBean & Co's,

UP-TOWN HARDWARE STORE

Designed for the

Christmas Season.

A LINE OF.

BEAUTIFUL LAMPS

AT PRICES UNPARALLED IN GUELPH

AT

A. McBEAN & CO.'S.

Alma Block, Guelph, Dec. 18, 1875

MONEY WANTED.

BOOTS AND SHOES

AT PANIC PRICES.

KENNEDY BROTHERS,

Have just received their

Fall Stock of Boots and Shoes,

And are determined to continue to sell cheaper than the cheapest, and better value for your money than can be had elsewhere.

Call and See for Yourselves and bring your Friends with you.

Examine our stock which comprises everything in the trade of the latest and most elegant styles and patterns of English, Canadian and American manufacture.

Orders promptly executed and good fits guaranteed.

N.B.—All accounts must be settled this month.

KENNEDY BROS.

Acton Nov. 4, 1875.

GREAT SALE.

Cheap Overcoats

CHEAP OVERCOATS.

Sweeping Sale of Ready-Made Clothing commenced to-day at the

ELEPHANT CLOTHING HOUSE,

GUELPH.

Rare Chance. Call and See Our Prices.

WM. RUTHERFORD & CO,

No. 31, Lower Wyndham Street, Guelph

January 4, 1876.

New Goods

CONSTANTLY ARRIVING AT THE

CENTRAL EMPORIUM,

MILL STREET, ACTON.

J. W. MANN'S

Winter Stock of

DRY GOODS

AND READY-MADE CLOTHING

Is now

SELLING OFF

At GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

GREAT BARGAINS!

Are offered for cash or produce.

In Groceries, Crockery and Glassware

Will be found a complete assortment of the best quality.

J. W. MANN.

Acton, Dec. 29, 1875.

DOMINION EMPORIUM.

ACTON.

C. M. SCOTT'S

FALL AND WINTER STOCK

which is now complete, is larger, better assorted, more attractive and cheaper than ever before, comprising in part

Tweeds, Overcoatings, Dress Goods, in French Merinos, Cobourgs, All Wool Plaids, Black and Colored Lustros, in Plain and Figuted Flannels, Wincoys, Shirts, Shirtings, Undershirts and Drawers, Felt Skirts, Shawls, Blankets, All Wool Table Covers, (very pretty patterns), Clouds, Mufflers, Hosiery, Gloves, Hollands, Table Linens, Towels, Towelings, Factory and Bleached Cottons, Ladies' Linen Sets, Ladies' and Gents' Ties, &c., &c.,

and a very good stock of

BOYS' AND MENS' HATS AND CAPS,

together with

Groceries, Crockery & Glassware

Call early and secure bargains.

Acton, Oct. 26, 1875. C. M. SCOTT.

Boots and Shoes

A large stock of Boots and Shoes, of the very best manufacture, has just been received at

CRAINE & SON'S

NEW BOOT & SHOE STORE,

MILL STREET, ACTON.

A full line of all sizes for

MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN,

Will be found to select from, at prices as low as can be had anywhere.

Call and See Us.

Special attention is called to our

CUSTOM WORK,

which at all times receives our careful personal supervision. Perfect satisfaction guaranteed.

Repairing neatly and promptly attended to.

Acton, Sept. 28, 1875. **CRAINE & SON.**

GUELPH ARMORY.

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Gold, Silver & Nickel Plating Works,

148 QUEBEC STREET, GUELPH.

John Kirkham, Prop.,

Manufacturer and Importer of

Breech and Muzzle Loading Rifles, Shot Guns, &c.

Revolvers of all descriptions always on hand.

AMMUNITION FOR ALL BREECH LOADING ARMS.

Ely & Kynoch's Cartridge Cases and Caps for re-loading same. Re-loaders, Re-cappers, Cap Ejectors, Curlers, and Crensors, Cleaning Rods, and all articles necessary for a Sportsman's outfit.

All sorts of Repairing and Jobbing executed on the shortest notice at

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JOHN KIRKHAM.

Rifle Gallery on the premises—open from 10 o'clock a.m. to 10 p.m.

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For the protection of the public of British North America, I deem it my duty to state that my PILLS AND OINTMENT are neither manufactured nor sold in any part of the UNITED STATES.

Each Pot and Box bears the "British Government Stamp, with the words "HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT, LONDON," engraved thereon. On the label is the address, 533 OXFORD STREET, LONDON.

This notice has become necessary in consequence of vile and spurious imitations of "Holloway's Pills and Ointment," being fabricated at 78 Maiden Lane, New York, by parties styling themselves "Holloway & Co.," with an assumed trade mark, thus—

"Unprincipled vendors can obtain this trash at a very low price, and so deceive you by selling the same for my genuine Holloway's Pills and Ointment, which are manufactured only at 533, Oxford street, London.

Persons who may be so deceived will be pleased to communicate with me.

Many respectable firms in the British Provinces, who obtain my medicines direct from here, have very properly suggested that I should, for the benefit of themselves and the public, insert their names in the papers, that it may be known that my medicines can be had genuine from them.

The following is a list of the firms alluded to; and I particularly recommend those who desire to get my medicines to apply to some of the Houses named:—

EVANS, MERCER & Co., Montreal.
AVERY, BROWN & Co., Halifax, N.S.
FORSYTH & Co., Halifax, N.S.
T. B. BARKER & Sons, St. John, N.B.
APOTHECARIES' HALL Co., Charlottetown
LANGLEY & Co., Victoria, B.C.
MOORE & Co., Victoria, B.C.
Dr JOHN FALLEN, Chatham, N.B.
MUNRO & Co., Montreal.
J. WYKES & Co., Hamilton, Ont.
H. J. ROSE, Toronto.
A. CHIPMAN SMITH, St. John, N.B.
JOHN ROSS, Cobourg, C.W.
ELLIOT & Co., Toronto.
J. CHALMER, St. John, N.B.
HANINGTON BROTHERS, St. John, N.B.
R.S. PHIPPY, Windsor, Ont.
Mrs. ORREN, Morden, N.S.
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The medicines are sold at the lowest wholesale net prices, in quantities of not less than £20 worth—viz., 8s. 6d., 2s., and 3s. per dozen boxes of Pills or pots of Ointment, for which remittances must be sent in advance.

THOMAS HOLLOWAY.

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DR. ROBERTS'

Celebrated Ointment

CALLED THE

POOR MAN'S FRIEND.

is confidently recommended to the Public as an infallible remedy for wounds of every description; a certain cure for Ulcerated Sore Legs, even of twenty years' standing; Cuts, Burns, Scalds, Bruises, Chilblains, Scorbutic Eruptions, and Pimples on the Face, Sore and inflamed Eyes, Sore Heads, Sore Breasts, Piles, Fistula, and Cancerous Humours, and is a Specific for those afflicting Eruptions that sometimes follow vaccination.

Sold in Pots at 1s. 1½d. and 2s. 9d. each.

Dr. Roberts' Pilula Antiscrophula

Or ALTERNATIVE PILLS, confirmed by sixty years' experience to be one of the best medicines ever compounded for purifying the blood, and assisting Nature in her operations. Hence they are useful in Scrofula, Scorbutic Complaints, Glandular Swellings, particularly those of the Neck, &c. They form a mild and superior Family Aperient, which may be taken at all times without confinement or change of diet. Sold in Boxes at 1s. 1½d., 2s. 9d., 4s. 6d., 11s. and 22s. each.

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BEACH AND BARNICOTT

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and by all respectable Medicine Vendors

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Of every description

In the best and most attractive styles,

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