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BELL'S TAILORING ESTABLISHMENT.

NOTICE!

THE UNDERSIGNED takes this opportunity of returning thanks to the large number of his customers who have so promptly complied with his terms and paid for their work on delivery. There are, however, a considerable number who have not paid thus promptly; and he respectfully requests all such to call and pay their respective accounts without delay. He would further remind them that their respective amounts, although a trifle to each, would in the aggregate materially assist in making up some of the deficit which their indebtedness has occasioned.

Feb. 17, 1868. JOHN BELL.

R. REDDIN,

Attorney and Barrister-at-Law, CONVEYANCER, &c.

Office: -- Great George Street, Charlottetown.

(Near the Catholic Cathedral.)

September 3, 1866. tf

Grain! Grain! Grain!

THE highest price given for BARLEY and OATS, at

Coles's Brewery and Distillery,

☞ Constantly on hand, at prices cheaper than can be purchased in the market, the best of Rum, Brandy, Gin, Whiskey, and a superior article of Malt Whiskey. Also—X, XX, and XXX Ale.

Charlottetown, June 20, 1868.

A Fortune for Sale!

IN consequence of the death of the Proprietor, the Subscriber is instructed to offer for positive Sale, that beautifully situated well known property, the

Half Way House, Vernon River, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

The Land consisting of about 40 acres, is in that state of cultivation that it has been for some years past, and will for years to come, yield a clear net profit, more than sufficient to pay the interest on the amount of purchase money asked for the whole establishment. As a money making investment this is an opportunity seldom equalled in these Provinces, which fact can be positively proved to any person about purchasing. The Stock of Liquors and Stock of Goods in the Store can be taken or not at the option of the purchaser.

For particulars, address,

GEORGE ADAMS,

Half-way House, Vernon River, May 18, 1868. tf

E. & N. A. RAILWAY.

1868. 1868.

Summer Arrangement.

ON and after MONDAY, 11th MAY next, until futher notice, Trains will run as follows:

DOWN TRAINS—GOING EAST:

Leave St. John for Shediac and Point du Chene at 7 a. m. and 1.45 p. m.

Leave St. John for Sussex at 5 p. m.

UP TRAINS—GOING WEST:

Leave Sussex for St. John at 6.45 a. m.

" Shediac for St. John at 7 and 11 a. m.

The 6.15 a. m. Train from Sussex, and the 11 a. m. Train from Shediac, as well as the 1.45 and 5 p. m. Trains from St. John will carry freight.

Freight from St. John for Sussex and stations West, will be sent by the 5 p. m. train only and must be delivered at that Station before 4 o'clock. Freight for Stations East of Sussex must be delivered at St. John before noon, daily.

Freight to be forwarded from Sussex, must be delivered at that Station at least ONE HOUR, and from other Stations than St. John, at least HALF AN HOUR before the advertised departure of any Freight Train.

Goods for Prince Edward Island must be accompanied with invoice or outward certificate of value, to prevent detention at Point du Chene.

Goods intended for exportation at St. John, to the United States, must, in addition to the invoice, when the value shall exceed $50,000, be accompanied by a U. S. Consul's Certificate.

LEWIS CARVELL, General Manager.

Railway Office, St. John, N. B. April 30, 1868.

A CARD.

THE Subscriber begs to thank the public for the liberal patronage extended to him during the last year. Having enlarged and fitted up his establishment at the Old Stand: LORD'S WHARF, is now prepared to execute with despatch all orders which he may be favored with in his line as SHIP and GENERAL BLACKSMITH. Fishermen will find Anchors of all sizes for Boats cheaper and better than can be found at any similar establishment in the City.

GEORGE H. FOSTER.

Lord's Wharf, Ch'town, Feb. 17, 1868. 1y

COAL AND LIMESTONE

THE Subscriber is prepared to deliver small cargoes of

Coal and Limestone,

at any of the Harbors, Bays or Navigable Rivers of P. E. Island, at shortest notice and on Moderate Terms.

A. McNEILL, Auctioneer

Ch'town, May 25, 1868.

TEA! TEA!! TEA!!!

JUST RECEIVED from HALIFAX, ex Steamer 'ALHAMBRA'—

20 Chests TEA,

For Sale by CARVELL BROS.

Ch'town June 22, 1868.

GOOD FIRES.

NOW selling at the Gas Works a quantity of very superior COKE at FIVE PENCE per Bushel. N B Coke will last longer and give a greater heat than Sydney Coal.

January 20, 1868. isl

NOTICE!

Postage Stamps.

FROM and after this date Postage Stamps will be sold at this office only between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m.

Persons wishing to post Letters before or after these hours, can procure stamps at the Stores of

D. Laird,	H. A. Harvie,
E. Reilly,	Mrs. Bremner,
Mrs. Stamper,	G. Hubbard,
J. D. McLeod,	Theoph. DesBrisay,
Jas. DesBrisay,	H. Haszard,
G. & S. Davies,	T. O'Connell.

THOS. OWEN, P. M. G.

General Post Office, Charlottetown, Dec. 7, 1867.

Fish Barrels!

500 FISH BARRELS, For Sale by CARVELL BROS.

June 1.

Now Landing.

FROM LONDON.

120 KEGS No. 1 WHITE PAINT which will be sold low for cash.

Also, in Stock, Paint Oil, Glass, Putty, Nails,

JUST PUBLISHED.

"Christian Baptism,"

A Lecture, (with Appendix,)

BY D. CRAWFORD.

price 1s. 6d.

For Sale, in Charlottetown, at the Bookstores of

D. LAIRD AND H. A. HARVIE.

July 20, 1868—tf

SALT IN STORE

3,000 Bushels Liverpool Salt, 1,000 bags do do

For sale by CARVELL BRO'S.

May 18, 1868.

JOHN JAMISON & SON, DUBLIN.

JUST RECEIVED from DUBLIN, via London, a quantity of fine old IRISH WHISKEY, 25 P. C. over proof. Warranted genuine and unadulterated, at

MACEACHERN & CO'S.

New Grocery and Liquor Store

ITALIAN WAREHOUSE, Queen St

July 20, 1868.

WOOL. WOOL.

CASH PAID for WOOL, on delivery at the Store of H. J. CALLBECK.

Charlottetown July 13th, 1868. tf

ROBERT TAYLOR,

LOCK AND GUN SMITH,

HILLSBOROUGH STREET,

BEGS to inform the Public that he has fitted up a NEW SHOP on the OLD STAND, and is now prepared to exec te all orders with which he may be favored with promptness and dispatch.

Bell Hanging, Guns, Locks and Stoves Repaired.

Ch'town, July 20, 1868. 6m

ERSKIN'S

BRAHEE SUGAR POWDERS,

A Tonic and Unfailing Remedy for

Rheumatism of all kinds, Neuralgia, Lumbago, ciatica,

As also for FACE-ACHE, TOOTH-ACHE, EAR-ACHE, COUGHS, and all affections from Colds.

☞ See Lancet, under MEDICAL PATRONAGE.

WM. R. WATSON.

ty Drug Store, Victoria Building, Queen Street, Sept. 16, 1867.

P. E. ISLAND

Steam Navigation Company's

Steamer's "Princess of Wales" and "Heather Belle."

The Steamer "Princess of Wales"

WILL leave Charlottetown for Picton ever TUESDAY and THURSDAY morn ing at a m., in time for the morning train for Halifax.

Leaves Picton for Charlottetown every TUESDAY and FRIDAY evening, after arrival o Train from Halifax.

Leaves Picton for Port Hood every THURSDAY morning at noon, immediately after arrival of Train from Halifax, returning to Picton the following morning.

Leaves Charlottetown every TUESDAY and FRIDAY night for Summerside and Shediac, at 7½ p. m. Will connect with Wednesday and Saturday morning's Trains.

Leaves Shediac for Summerside and Charlottetown every WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY afternoons, immediately after arrival of Train from St. John.

The Steamer "Heather Belle"

Leaves Charlottetown at 3 a. m., every SATURDAY morning or Picton.

Leaves Picton at 8 a. m., same day for Murray Harbor, Georgetown and Souris, remaining at either Souris or Georgetown over Sunday.

Leaves Picton every MONDAY for Charlottetown after arrival of Train from Halifax.

FARES:

Charlottetown to Picton, or back,	"		£0 12 0
Picton to Georgetown,	"		0 9 0
" Port Hood,	"		0 12 0
Ch'town to Summerside,	"		0 9 0
" Shediac,	"		0 18 0
" St. John,	"	$4 50	1 8 1½
" Eastport,	"	6 00	1 17 6
" Portland,	"	8 00	2 10 0
" Boston,	"	9 00	2 16 3
" Halifax,	"	4 00	1 4 0
" Port Hood,	"		1 4 0
" Georgetown,	"		0 9 0
" Souris,	"		0 12 0

F. W. HALES, Secretary

May 18, 1868.

A LARGE SUPPLY.

OF the following ARTICLES, constantly on hand, viz:

Syrups, Jams, Marmalades, Pickles, Sauces, Confectionary, Nuts of all kinds, Currants, Figs, Candied Lemon, Orange and Citron Peels, all kinds Spices, Babbits, Concentrated Potash and Lye, Flints, Dandelion, Coffee, Taylor's Homœpathic Cocoa, Corn Starch, Maizena, Farina, Sago Rice, Mustard, Ginger; Pepper, Black White and Cayanne; Tooth Brushes, Nail Brushes, Hair Brushes, Cloth Brushes, Plate Brushes, Tooth Powders, Tooth Pastes, Tooth Washes, Perfumery Hair Oils, Hair Washes, Pomades.

ALSO,

A large Supply of Patent Medicines, together with Drugs, Chemicals, &c., &c.

For Sale Cheap at the Cash Drug Store.

P. G. FRASER.

Successor to the late M. W. Skinner.

July 20, 1868

REDWOOD! REDWOOD!!

A large quantity of the above Article just received

WARRANTED GOOD!

FOR SALE AT THE

CASH DRUG STORE!

P. G. FRASER.

July 20, 1868.

Stand from Under!

DOWN COMES THE PRICES!!

Sweet & Olive OIL

The Cheapest and Best in Charlottetown.

For Sale at the Cash Drug Store.

LIGHT! LIGHT!! !!

Kerosene Oil,

at

WM. E. DAWSON'S.

March 23, 1868.

FRESH CRACKERS.

JUST RECEIVED, FRESH from the Bakery—BOXES BUTTER, SODA, WINE, WATER and SUGAR CRACKERS.

N. RANKIN.

June 15, 1868.

HOUSE COAL!

THE SUBSCRIBER is prepared to supply any quantity of SUPERIOR

Round and Small COAL,

from Sydney, Lingan, and other Cape Breton Coal Mines.

A. McNEILL.

eading Room Building, May 25, 1868.

Weekly Steam Communication WITH BOSTON & HALIFAX.

THE STEAMSHIPS ALHAMBRA and COMMERCE, (until further notice,) will make weekly trips between this Port and BOSTON, calling at CANSO.

RATES OF PASSAGE:

	Ladies Cabin.	Gents' Cabin.	Forward.
To Boston,	50s.	55s.	45s.
" Halifax,	25s.	30s.	18s.
" Canso,	20s.	25s.	15s.

CARVELL BROS'., Agents.

July 24, 1868.

B. WILSON HIGGS,

Commission Merchant AND AUCTIONEER,

Charlottetown, ... P. E. Island.

May 27, 1867. 1y

JAMES F. WHITE COOPER,

Tremain's Red Building, Queen's Wharf.

FISH, Pork, and Beef Barrels, constantly on hand.

1000 FISH BARRELS will be sold if applied for immediately, Cheap for CASH or approved notes of hand.

Ch'town, P. E. I. August 3, 1868. 1y

NEW PAINT SHOP!

THE Subscriber would inform his friends and the public in general, that he has opened a new PAINT SHOP above the Carriage Factory of McPhail & Hunter, Kent Street, where all orders left, either in the

House, Sign, or Carriage Painting,

will be attended to with punctuality, neatness, and reasonable terms.

FRANCIS McGRORY. Painter.

McPhail & Hunter's Carriage Factory Kent Street, May 4, 1868.

1868. 1868.

SPRING & SUMMER STOCK!

By various Ships from Liverpool and Glasgow, Schooners and Steamers from Boston, the Subscribers have partly completed their Importations for the Season, Wholesale and Retail, at the usual Low Prices—

Hhds. Granulated and Porto Rico Sugar,	Packages assort'd Paints
Hhds. Muscavado Molasses	Hhds. Paint, Olive and Sweet Oil,
Cases Dress Goods, in great variety,	Tins Varnish,
Cases Readymade Clothing and Rubber Coats,	Casks assorted Cutlery,
Cases Millinery,	Bundles Steel,
Cases Linen Drapery,	Tons Bar Iron,
Cases Hoisery,	Boxes Tin Plates,
Cases Gloves,	Pieces Plough Metal,
Cases Straw Hats and Fancy Bonnets,	Cask Grubbing and Potatoe Hoes,
Cases Shawls & Mantles	Packages Nails & Spikes
do Haberdashery,	Cask Shovels,
do Townend's Hats and Caps,	Casks Ironmongery,
Cases Floor Cloths,	Sides Sole Leather,
Bales Cloth,	Barrels Flour, Currants, Crushed Sugar, Epsum Salts, Ginger,
do White and Colored Cotton Warps,	Casks Baking Soda, Cudbear,
do Carpet & Woollens,	Kegs Powder, Mustard, Tobacco,
do Printed, Unbleached, & White Cottons,	Boxes Raisins, Glass, Soap, Lozenges, Coils Manilla Rope,
do Striped and Check Woollens	Bags Pepper, Coffee, Rice,
do Bagging & Canvass,	Dozs Brooms, Buckets' &c., &c., &c.
do 3 & 4 Bushel Grain Sacks	

G. & S. DAVIES.

Dodd & Rogers' Brick Store, opposite City Hall Queen Street, Ch'town, June 26, 1868.

Republication of the London Quarterlys Edinburgh, North British, and Westminster Reviews and Blackwood' Magazine.

By the Leonard Scott Publishing Company, 140 Fulton Street, New York.

TERMS:

For any one of the Reviews	$4 00 per an
For any two of the Reviews	7 00 "
For any three of the Reviews	10 00 "
For all four of the Reviews	12 00 "
For Blackwood's Magazine	4 00 "
For Blackwood and one Review	7 00 "
For Blackwood & any two of the Reviews	10 00
For Blackwood and three of the Review	13 00 "

BRONZONETTE!

THE application of this most elegant preparation is extremely simple, while its effect upon the articles enumerated below is almost magical, imparting to them a glazed bronzed surface of Great beauty:—

Iron Fenders, Stoves, Gas Fittings, Ornaments, Lamp Stands, Copper Coins, &c., STRAW HATS, BONNETS, PLASTER BUSTS & ORNAMENTS, LEAVES, (real), Ivy, Laurel, Holly, &c.—"Effect most charming."—Leather leaves may be Bronzed ILLUMINATORY and WRITING. Useful and ornamental. Glass may also be Illuminated

W. R. WATSON.

Co-partnership Notice.

THE SUBSCRIBERS have this day entered into CO-PARTNERSHIP as BARRISTERS and ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW, under the name, style and firm of

ALLEY & DAVIES.

OFFICE - - - - O'HALLORAN'S BUILDING.

GREAT GEORGE STREET.

GEORGE ALLEY,
LOUIS H. DAVIES.

1063 CUSTOMERS WANTED!

TO BUY OUT

The Large and Choice Assortment of BOOTS & SHOES

advertized in another column, and which are just received, opened, and on sale at

W. E. DAWSON'S.

June 1, 1868.

CORNS and WARTS

ARE permanently and effectually Cured by the use of

ROBINSON'S Patent Corn Solvent.

For sale by W. R. WATSON.

Drug Store December. 23 1867

JUST ARRIVED FROM BOSTON AND CANADA:

1 CASE LADIES' HOOP SKIRTS,

LATEST STYLE.

1 CASE GENT'S FELT HATS,

CHEAP, at

QUEEN SQUARE HOUSE.

WM. HEARD.

Sept. 7, 1868.

The Centre of Attraction,

AS USUAL, IS AT ROBERT YOUNG'S

ROBERT YOUNG has the loveliest Dress Goods to be seen any where.

ROBERT YOUNG has the prettiest Hats and Bonnets.

ROBERT YOUNG has a beautiful assortment of Shawls and Mantles.

ROBERT YOUNG has the newest styles in Ribbons, Flowers and Feathers.

ROBERT YOUNG has a nice stock of Hosiery and Gloves, very Cheap.

ROBERT YOUNG has lovely STAYS, Cheap and Good.

ROBERT YOUNG has a large supply of his unrivalled Boots from St. John.

ROBERT YOUNG has the newest styles in Hoop Skirts, cheaper than ever.

ROBERT YOUNG has the cheapest and best Prints in Town.

ROBERT YOUNG has Grey and White Cottons as cheap as usual.

ROBERT YOUNG has the largest Stock of Paper Collars on the the Island.

ROBERT YOUNG is Agent for the Best Sewing Machine—the "WEED."

Charlottetown June 27, 1868

NEW GOODS JUST ARRIVED AT THE BRITISH WAREHOUSE, AND NOW Opening for Inspection!

W. & A. BROWN

Charlottetown, June 1, 1868.

ON SALE AT THE GLASGOW HOUSE!

SEAMEN'S OIL CLOTHING, Cloth COATS, PANTS and VESTS, SHIRTS in variety,
Black and Colored CLOTHS,
White and Colored FLANNELS,
Flannel und Wincey SHIRTINGS,
Grey and White COTTONS,
Striped SHIRTINGS,
Linen and Cotton Tickings.

HATS and CAPS,
BRACES, COLLARS and NECKTIES,
HANDKERCHIEFS and GLOVES,
Knitting COTTON and THREADS,
Cotton and Wool HOSIERY.

Stamped COTTONS,
FRILLINGS and EDGINGS,
Scotch YARNS,
Berlin WOOLS.

TEA, RICE, SUGAR, STARCH,
Baking SODA, Washing SODA,
DYE STUFFS, SOAP, &c., &c

FREDK. LEPAGE.

August 26, 1868.

MILLER WANTED!

AT the St. Peter's Mills, a steady, sober Man, to act as Miller.

MW. E. CLARK.

St. Peter's Mills, Sept. 5th, 1868.

REGATTA.

THERE will be a REGATTA on the HILLSBOROUGH RIVER, opposite Charlottetown, on WEDNESDAY, October 7th For par-

1868. SEPTEMBER. 1868.

I HAVE IN STORE A LARGE STOCK OF

Glass,
Paint,
Oil,
Nails,
Locks,

and other requisites for House Builders and Painters, Which I am desirous to dispose of at an early date.

For prompt Cash, Cheap.

W. E. DAWSON.

GOLD & SILVER.

Watches, Clocks, Chains,

BROACHES, EAR-RINGS, PENCILS, BUCKLES, STUDS, and a large assortment of BLACK EAR-RINGS, BROACHES AND CHAINS.

ALSO—A varied assortment of SPECTACLES and EYE-GLASSES, to suit any sight, for sale by the Subscriber, opposite the City Hall.

ROBERT SNEESTON, Watch Maker.

N. Side Queen Square, Ch'town, June 15, 1868. 1y

CHOLERA.

HOW TO CURE IT.

AT the commencement of the diarrhœa, which always precedes an attack of the Cholera, take a teaspoonful of the PAIN KILLER in Sugar and Water, (warm if convenient,) and then bathe freely the stomach and bowels with the Pain Killer clear. Should the diarrhœa or cramps continue, repeat the dose every ten or fifteen minutes till the patient is relieved. In extreme cases, two or more teaspoonfuls may be given at a dose.

The Pain Killer, as an internal remedy, has no equal. In cases of Cholera, Summer Complaints, Dyspepsia, Dysentery, Asthma, it cures in one night, by taking it internally, and bathing with it freely. Its action is like magic, when externally applied to bad Sores, Burns, Scalds and Sprains. For Sick Headache and Toothache, don't fail to try it. In short, it is a Pain Killer.

The Pain Killer is sold by all Dealers in Family Medicines.

September 7, 1868. 1m

Coffee. Coffee.

My Ground COFFEE is still Unequalled! For Sale at the old Price.

W. E. DAWSON.

Sept. 7, 1868.

Cotton Duck.

THE SUBSCRIBER is Agent for the Sale of the celebrated

RUSSEL'S MILLS COTTON DUCK,

and is prepared to fill all orders for the same with the least possible delay.

Also on hand Cotton Boat Duck, and Cotton Drillings, suitable for Boat Sails, together with Cotton Sail Twine, Pure Bees' Wax, &c.

I. C. HALL.

Ch'town, Sept. 21, 1868.

Fancy Goods

MRS. BREMNER has just received at the PRINCE STREET BOOK AND STATIONERY STORE, per Amphion from London, besides a large and well assorted Stock of BOOKS, STATIONERY, &c., a great variety of FANCY GOODS, &c., which she offers at extremely low prices for Cash:—

PURSES, Pocket Books, Ladies' Reticules, Companions, and Bags, Travelling Bags.
PHOTOGRAPH ALBUMS, long, quarto, and small.
CARD CASES in Tortoiseshell, Tartan, and Leather.
WORK BOXES, Knitting Boxes, Needle Books and Cases.
Boxes for Sheet Music.
BRUSHES, Hair, Infants' Hair, Tooth, Nail, Shaving
COMBS, Horn and Rubber Dressing, and Pocket
Feather Dusters
Mirrors
Spectacles and Reading Glasses
Spectacle Cases
Egg Boilers
Stereoscopes and Slides
Thermometers
Accordeons and Concertinas
Knitting and Netting Pins and Needles, Crochet Hooks, Tatting Shuttles, Black & White Pins, Hair Pins, Needles, &c.
Scarf Pins, Watch Keys, Silk Guards, Gilt Lockets
BEADS—Pearl, Crystal, Chalk, Black, Gold & Steel cut, and Colored
SCIZZORS—Hair Cutting, Paper Hanging, Drapers, Lace, Embroidery, Fancy Work Box, Buttonhole, Flower, Grape, Nail, &c. (all good quality)
KNIVES—Pen and Pocket, Bread, Palette, Pruning, and Erasing; Children's Knives, Forks, Spoons
Razors and Strops
Corkscrews, Nutcrackers, Tweezers, Key Rings, &c
TOYS.—Dolls, Whips, Tops, Watches, Jews Harps, Mouth Organs, Money Boxes, Marbles, &c.
Cricket Bats and Balls. Trout Hooks and Flies
Bows and Arrows
WALKING STICKS and CANES, plain and fancy
Flexible Rulers, for Artists, Bookkeepers, &c.
Water Wells for Copying Presses
Postage Stamp Dampers
India Rubber Bottle Corks
Twines, Fly Papers
Glycerine, Honey, and Brown Windsor SOAPS. &c. &c. &c.

ALSO; a quantity of

WRAPPING PAPER,

various qualities and sizes.

Prince Street, July, 1868.

Common Sense

FAMILY SEWING MACHINE,

only £3 17s. 6d.

AT

HARVIE'S BOOKSTORE, Queen Street.

Sept. 7.

TO SHIPPERS!

THE BRIGANTINE HELEN DAVIES, will sail from MONTREAL, for CHARLOTTETOWN on or about the 15th of SEPTEMBER next, carrying FREIGHT at the rate of thirty cents per barrel. For further particulars apply to

DANIEL DAVIES.

Ch'town, August 24, 1868 3w

TO LET.

BRICK STORE and WAREHOUSE, situated in Pownal Street, now occupied by DODD and ROGERS. Also, TWO DWELLING HOUSES. Enquire of

THOMAS W. DODD.

Sep 28, 1868. 3w

Executors' Notice.

ALL PERSONS having demands against the Estate of the HONORABLE JAMES YEO, of PORT HILL, in Prince County, MERCHANT, deceased, are requested to present the same, duly attested, to the undersigned, Executors of the last Will and Testament of the said Honorable James Yeo; and all persons indebted to the said Estate, are required to make payment forthwith to

WM. RICHARDS,
JOHN INGS,
JOHN YEO. } Executors.

HENRY VAUGHAN.

CHAPTER III.

As Herbert arose from the breakfast-table the next morning and slung his gun over his shoulder, his cousin, who had apparently been engrossed in the morning papers, said:

"Where are you off to so early?"

"The town."

"To shoot love-birds, I suppose?" rejoined the other, with a sneer.

"Perhaps so. Wish me luck!" answered Herbert, shortly, as, bidding his uncle good morning, he quitted the room.

It may easily be seen, from the few remarks which have passed, that there was not much love lost between the cousins—indeed, they were as opposite in character as in appearance.

Whistling softly, and absorbed by thoughts that seemed of a most pleasing nature, young Herbert Hinchborough made his way to the town, and stopped before the Grenville Inn. Here he glanced up at every window, then, apparently not having seen what he desired, walked into the bar parlour.

No one was there, so he summoned the innkeeper.

"There were two travellers stopped here yesterday—have they yet left?"

"Left, Mr. Hinchborough? No, indeed! They intended to, I believe, but last night the old man was seized with a fit, and now lies in bed speechless."

"A fit?"

"Yes—took quite sudden. It's a bad thing for us, sir," added the man, ruefully, "for I don't think as how they have anything to pay for their accommodation."

"I will see to that, Nash. But I trust it is nothing serious?" asked Herbert, anxiously.

"The doctor gives but little hope of recovery, sir. He doubts much if consciousness will return before he expires."

"And his poor niece?" said Herbert.

"Oh, she don't know he is so bad, of course."

"Can I see her?"

"I have no doubt, sir. Follow me."

The innkeeper led the way to the bedroom, and, entering, asked permission for Herbert to come in. The latter heard the soft, sweet tones of Gertrude's voice reply, and the next instant she herself appeared and bade him enter.

Her face was pale with weeping, but she greeted him with a smile of welcome.

"And is your uncle subject to these attacks?" asked Herbert, as they stood by the sick man's bed.

"No, he never had one before. I had left him at most but half an hour when I heard him give a terrific cry. I, with others, hurried to his room, burst open the door, and found him senseless on the floor, his head having, in falling, come in contact with the fender. See—there is a wound."

'And you? You are pale and ill also,' said Herbert, kindly, as he looked down at her. 'You have not slept—you have been watching him ever since.'

'Yes, of course. You would not have had me leave him.'

'Certainly not; but will you not now take some rest? You must not fatigue yourself too far, for your care and attention may be called upon at a time when, if you overtax it now, it may fail you. Pray seek some repose, for your uncle's sake.'

'And who would watch him—who would bathe his temples and moisten his parched lips?' she asked, the tears rising in her eyes.'

'I would—I will if you can trust me,'

'Trust you?' repeated the girl, earnestly, 'how can I fail to do so, after your kindness yesterday?'

'Go then; and I promise directly consciousness returns I will call you.'

He persuaded, and she went; but before doing so, by a rapid movement she raised the young man's hand to her lips, a tear fell on it, and she was gone.

So all that day Herbert's gun rested idly in the corner, while its master watched and tended the sick man.

It was about eight that night when consciousness returned. Looking wildly round, the invalid murmured:

'Where is he—the robber—the assassin who struck me down?'

'What does he say?' asked Herbert. 'What does he mean?'

'He must be wandering,' answered Gertrude, gently.

Almost fiercely her uncle turned on her.

'I am not wandering! I say the man who struck me down, who has got my secret from me, and would have slain me! But no! I live—I live, and can do justice yet!'

For a moment he was silent, then observing Herbert, continued:

Ah! our generous young friend here? You, sir, are noble and kind indeed! Did you not say that Grenville Hall belonged to an uncle of yours? Are you his heir?'

'No, indeed!' laughed Herbert. 'No such fortune is mine! My cousin Richard will inherit that. But about this man?'

'Never mind that now, but answer—do you mean your uncle's son?'

'No—another uncle Bulmer's son.'

'Ah!'

'Why would you know this?—how, may I ask, can it interest you?' inquired Herbert, in some surprise.

'Because—because,' said the old man, 'I once knew your uncle Bulmer—knew him when he was a cold, hard man; for what I know he may be so now. But I must see him—I must, and at once!'

'My uncle?'

'Yes Death, I believe, has marked me for its own. Nay, nay, my Gertrude, do not weep—you know the hour to say farewell must come to all. Hush, dear, the blow has been too great for me, I fear, ever to recover, and I must not lose the few moments that yet remain. Mr. Hinchborough, I beg of you to return to your uncle, and bring him to me. But for this unfortunate occurrence, this day I should have called on him. Pray him to come!'

'I will. But whom shall I say sends me?'

The old man hesitated, then said:

'Tell him it is Henry Vaughan, who, on his death-bed, beseeches him for his own sake to come. Go—lose not a moment, for you have to dispute time with death!'

Herbert waited no more, but instantly obeyed, no little amazed at his strange mission.

When he had left, Henry Vaughan, turning his face to the wall, said he would sleep awhile to gain strength for the coming interview; and soon the room was wrapped in silence, which was unbroken for some little time, when the innkeeper, creeping softly in, whispered that a gentleman, waiting in the lane behind the house, wished to see Gertrude at once respecting her uncle.

'A gentleman? What gentleman?' asked the girl

'A man brought the message, miss, but I fancy it is from Mr. Hinchborough. Perhaps he has something to communicate that he does not wish him'—indicating the bed—'to hear.'

'No doubt. I will go at once.'

And throwing on her cloak and hat Gertrude hurried to the lane The night was dark and she had walked a few paces without seeing any one, when suddenly a heavy cloak was cast over her head, and a strong

some distance, then swung up on to a horse before its rider, who, holding her in a grip of iron, dashed off at a headlong pace, followed, as Gertrude could hear, by another.

In vain she struggled; she was helpless, while soon threats to shoot her, and have done with the affair, held her silent and half-fainting in her captor's arms.

How bitter was her grief when she thought of her sick uncle! What would he think of her absence? What could she think of it? Who were these men?—what interest could they have in carrying her away?—and for what purpose—she, a poor girl of too humble a station to make either friends or enemies? Once she struggled to free her mouth and put the question, but a hoarse voice bade her be silent, while the arms about her tightened.

A short time after Gertaude had been carried off, Herbert, accompanied by his uncle, rode quickly up to the inn, and dismounting, entered. As he was about to follow Mr. Bulmer upstairs, the latter waved him back, while the innkeeper, plucking him by the sleeve, drew him into a side room, and said:

'Mr. Hinchborough, I fear there is something wrong.'

'What do you mean? Is Mr. Vaughan worse?'

'No, but his niece——'

'What of her, Nash?—speak.

'Why, about a quarter of an hour ago, a man came here saying a gentleman wished to speak with her in the lane at the back of the house, respecting her uncle. We both thought it was you, sir, and she went.'

'Well?'

'Well, soon after, thinking I heard a cry, I took a peep into the lane. It was empty, while I heard the gallop of two horses retreating, and Miss Gertrude has not come back.'

'Great Heaven! What new mystery can this be?' exclaimed Herbert in alarm. 'The old man declares that it was no fit that he had last night, but that he was struck down by some one, and now—now Gertrude is carried away! Who can these people be? Quick—my horse. I will follow! Merton' he called to his groom, 'come with me! We will give chase, and, if she has been carried off against her will, bring her back.'

Springing on their horses, the two dashed down the lane at such a pace that the animals seemed to fly.

For half an hour they continued thus, never slackening rein, when Herbert placing his hand on the other's bridle whispered:

'Hark! do you not hear the gallop of horses ahead?

'Yes; the wind brings the sound down to us so they may not yet have heard ours. Go to the turf at the side, it will deaden our approach still more, and let your horse do good duty.'

On they went, bending over their horses' necks, their clothes flecked with the foam cast from the animal's mouths. Soon Herbert exclaimed:

'There they are! See, they hear us! They urge on their horses. The fellow to the left has her whom we seek. His animal lags behind with the double weight. You take charge of him. Sultan is the fleetest—I will overtake the foremost and intercept the other.'

Then the chase commenced in earnest, and the foremost of the pursued, turning, appeared to level a pistol, but, altering his mind, fled on; the momentary stopping, however, gave Herbert the advantage and soon he was nearly on a level with the rider.

Stretching out his hand, he caught the collar of his coat, at the same time reining in his own horse, while the other sped on, and drew his captive from the saddle to the ground. Not quitting his hold he held the man half raised from the ground, he bent from his saddle and looked into the upturned face. The moon fell upon it, and Herbert cried:

'Heavens! Richard Bulmer, is it you? What mystery is this? Do you love her also?'

'Hang you and your love both!' hissed the other, fiercely, as, leaning on one hand, with the other he drew out a pistol, levelled it straight at his cousin's face, and fired.

CHAPTER IV.

Mr. Bulmer, a tall, slight man of over fifty with a rather austere expression and iron-gray hair, ascended the inn stairs and entered Henry Vaughan's room. As he approached the bed the old man awoke, and their eyes met. The latter, rising with difficulty on his pillow, said:

'This is a strange meeting, Edward Bulmer, after many years.'

'It is,' answered the other. 'You desired to see me. Can I be of service to you? If I can I will.'

It was said with marked earnestness, and Henry Vaughan rejoined:

'What! Have you, then, repented of the past?'

'With my whole soul! And now I take the opportunity for which I have long sought to ask your forgiveness, if you can forgive.

And the proud looking man almost humbly held his hand to the other.

Henry Vaughan drew back.

'I must not take it yet till you, also, have forgiven,' he said.

'What have I to forgive?'

'You will guess. Know that the revenge I said I would take I have, and the greatest sorrow of your life has been of my causing.

'What can you mean, Vaughan, are you wandering?'

'Be seated and listen—a few words will suffice. They must for I have little time left for more.'

Edward Bulmer seated himself by the bedside and the old man leaning forward, began:

'Thirty years ago, Richard Bulmer, we were young men and close companions, though you were rich and I was far from being so. There was a girl I loved passionately. You saw her; she loved you, and despite your previous knowledge of my affections, you fostered that love. But on the very day you had promised to arrange your wedding with Constance, the news reached the poor girl of your intended marriage with an heiress. It was her deathblow; and the one who tended her like a brother, and closed her eyes when she died, was I, Henry Vaughan. I waited till she had passed away, then over her grave I determined to be avenged on you for the ruin of her happiness and mine, and I have fulfilled that vow. From that moment I neglected business, and the money I had hoarded for my marriage I spent in tracking you wherever you went. Your health was delicate; a warmer climate was advised; you took her to Malta, where she died; when you, longing for your native land, started for England with your infant daughter. I went in the same vessel. We had not been long at sea when a squall struck us; we had to take to boats and spars. You rushed to the cabin for your child; it was gone. The next moment the ship foundered. You saved yourself; I saved your child, with but one intention—that she, the heiress of your wealth, should feel the poverty and deprivations which rendered Constance no fit match for you.

'You saved her!' cried Edward Bulmer, starting. 'Then she lives—my child lives! Where is she? Speak, Henry Vaughan! Restore me my child!'

'Be still, my breath fails me; be still or may die without saying what I have t