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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

**C. DEAN, Harness-Maker.**  
Having given up business in Acton, requests all those indebted to him to call and settle their accounts at their earliest convenience.

**FOR SALE CHEAP.**  
A Hres. Harness, Buggy, and a pair of Trucks are offered for sale cheap. **MOORE & SMITH,** Acton, Sept. 1, 1875.

**NOTICE.**  
Any person or persons trespassing on Lot 25, Concession 3 of the Township of Acton, containing trees of any kind, or having any other property on the same, is hereby notified that the same will be subject to prosecution after this date.

**W. S. ARMSTRONG,**  
Acton, August 20, 1875.

**VILLAGE PROPERTY FOR SALE.**  
The undersigned offers for sale the park lot immediately east of the Railway track, known as Young's survey, in the village of Acton, comprising six acres, more or less. It has been surveyed into village lots, but would prefer to sell in block. Acton is one of the most prosperous and thriving places in this section of the country, and its prospects for rapid growth are second to none. The above is a most desirable property for private residence or manufacturing purposes. For terms and particulars enquire of Mr. D. Henderson, Acton, or to the writer, Ashgrove P. O., Essex, Ontario, Sept. 4, 1875.

**JOHN McCALL,**  
Essex, Sept. 4, 1875.

**KENNEDY'S Marble Works,**  
Opposite side from Mills & Goodfellow's Foundry, and Near Eramosa Bridge, Guelph.

ALL KINDS OF MONUMENTS  
Tomb Stones, Mantle Pieces, &c., made to any size and design, and put in any part of the country.

Scotch Granite Monument imported to order.

P. A. Kennedy has a practical marble cutter.

**WANTED.**  
1000 CORDS OF Good Hemlock Bark  
For which I will pay FIVE DOLLARS per cord.

AT THE ACTON TANNERY  
If delivered in summer.

G. L. BEARDMORE, Proprietor.  
21 St. Hall, Acton,  
Essex, July 1, 1875.

**ACTON BAKERY.**  
The subscriber begs to inform the inhabitants of Acton and vicinity that he is prepared to supply

First-class Bread, Buns, Cakes, Biscuits, etc.

Fresh every day—delivered at their houses.

**WEDDING CAKES**  
Made to order in the latest styles and at reasonable charges.

Highest price in Cash paid for Eggs.

Acton, July 1, 1875.

**D. GALLOWAY.**

**ACTON LIVERY & SALE STABLE.**  
J. P. ALLAN  
Takes pleasure in announcing to the public generally that he is prepared to supply

First-class Horses and Carriages at Reasonable Rates.

His Horses and Carriages are the best that can be had, and he is determined not to be surpassed by any City Stable.

Acton, July 24, 1875.

**A. DAVIDSON, LICENSED AUCTIONEER.**  
For the County of Milton.  
Sales attended to in any part of the County, at reasonable rates.

Address: A. DAVIDSON, Campbellville, P. O.

**ACTON FLOUR MILLS.**  
R. & E. NICKLIN, Proprietors.  
Flour and Feed always on hand, Wholesale and Retail. Gristing and Chopping Daily. Cash for all kinds of Grain.

## GRAND TRUNK TIME TABLE.

Trains leave Acton as follows—  
GOING WEST.  
Morning Mail 9:10 a.m.  
Day Express 1:30 p.m.  
Mixed 2:30 p.m.  
Night Express 7:15 p.m.  
Night Express 12:45 a.m.

GOING EAST.  
White Wheat 1:05 to 1:06  
Treatwell 1:03 to 1:05  
Spring Wheat 1:05 to 1:08  
Oats 1:00 to 1:03  
Peas 0:75 to 0:00  
Potatoes, new, per bush 0:70 to 0:75  
Wheat 0:30 to 0:30  
Butter 0:18 to 0:20  
Eggs 0:12 to 0:10  
Pork 0:08 to 0:00  
Raspberries, per lb. 0:05 to 0:00  
Green Peas, per bush 1:00 to 0:00  
Hay, per ton 14:00 to 15:00

**ACTON MARKETS.**  
Fall wheat, \$1.05 to \$1.10; treatwell, \$1.00 to \$1.05; spring wheat (Glagow), \$1.00 to \$1.05; oats, 40c to 45c; peas, 70c to 75c; barley, 70c to 75c; dozen, 11c to 12c; butter, dairy packed, 17c to 18c; potatoes, per bag, 70c to \$1; wool, 30c to 35c.

**THORNHURST MARKETS.**  
Spring wheat, \$1.17; new white wheat, \$1.21 to \$1.22; oats, 40c; barley, 54c.

**THE CHARLIE ROSS MYSTERY.**  
We assume that every body has heard of the Charlie Ross abduction case in Philadelphia. Very little has been heard about it for some months, but just now interest in the case is revived. One Westwell, suspected of complicity in the affair, is now on trial in Philadelphia, and it is believed the trial will not pass over without revelations of considerable importance regarding the abduction being made. He has admitted having been intimate with Mosher and Douglas, the two "river thieves" of New York, who were attempting a burglary. Westwell, once professed to be assisting Superintendent Walling, of the New York police, in his search after the boy and his abductors, but the latter now has proof that all the time the former pretended to be assisting the search, he was really aiding it.

**THE GUBBARD RIOTS.**  
In Montreal last week, there were most disgraceful scenes in connection with the attempt to bury the remains of Joseph Gubbard, in the Roman Catholic Cemetery. A French Canadian mob composed of the lowest class prevented the hearse from entering the cemetery, and those attending the funeral were greeted with derisive yells, and stones were thrown at them. Had they not prudently retired there is no doubt that a serious collision would have taken place. Ever since the riot, the gates of the cemetery have been guarded by a gang, more or less numerous, of the lowest ruffians in the city—men the police would feel justified in arresting at sight. Notwithstanding that some of the *curés* of the Montreal churches have advised the discontinuance of this "resistance" to law, the mob still persist in riotous proceedings. The burial, in consequence, has been postponed until sufficient military force has been collected to force an entrance.

**THE PREMIER'S RETURN.**  
After a pleasant visit and a continuous series of brilliant receptions in the parent land, the Hon. Mr. Mackenzie has at length returned to Canada, and is again hard at work in his department with that energy which has always characterized his dealing with public matters. His return to his home at the capital last week was made the occasion of a grand public reception, in which the residents of the city generally took part, and in which the City Council, as a body, officially participated. An immense crowd assembled at the St. Lawrence and Ottawa R. R. station to greet the Premier; and to make the arch had been erected in the Depot and hung with appropriate mottoes. As soon as the train stopped, and the hon. gentleman and wife had alighted, Acting Mayor Waller stepped forward and read an address to him on behalf of the corporation, and Dr. Sweetland one on behalf of the citizens. To these the Premier replied in suitable terms, expressing his gratitude for the splendid reception given him, and referring to the pride with which he had been animated whenever he had appeared before a British assemblage as Canada's representative. When the reception was over, the gathering, filled with enthusiasm, escorted the hon. gentleman's carriage to his residence, and then dispersed with three hearty cheers for him and his wife.

**The New Insolvent Act.**  
We are pleased to see that in the appointment of the official assignees under the Insolvent Act of 1875, most of the old and reliable persons have been retained. The new Act, came into force on the first of September. Among its salient features a few may be particularized. The power making voluntary assignments is withdrawn, an assignee before he can obtain a discharge must pay 33 1/3 per cent of his liabilities; and the law directs that the writs of attachment be issued to the assignee instead of the sheriff as provided by Act of 1869. A new clause is added to those defining the grounds on which a debtor shall be deemed an insolvent, and it regards the fact of a debtor calling a meeting of his

creditors for the purpose of compounding with them, or the calling of a statement showing inability to meet liabilities, as proof of bankruptcy.

The nomination for West Wellington takes place at Harrison on Monday, 20th inst., and the polling on Monday following. Mr. McGowan, Conservative, and Mr. Garbutt Liberal are the candidates.

Justice Wilson has still further postponed for two weeks, his decision in the Muskoka election case.

**SOUTH OXFORD.**  
The nomination of candidates for representation in this Riding in the Local Legislature, took place at Ingersoll on Friday. Quite a number of nominations were made, but all retired except Hon. Mr. Crooks and Mr. Hopkins, both of whom spoke at considerable length.

**PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION.**  
The total entries of live stock for the Exhibition, which will be held at Ottawa on the 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, and 24th instants, foot up to 2015, showing a decrease of 760 when compared with last year. The show being held so far east prevents many of those from the western counties from exhibiting. Horses show a large falling off, cattle also show a falling off, but not so large; sheep a decrease of over one hundred; and pigs and poultry a falling-off of 313.

**GOOD YIELD.**  
Mr. W. Farrell, 27, 2nd col., Grafton, recently threshed out twelve acres of barley, the product of which amounted to 715 bushels, within a fraction of sixty bushels per acre. Not so bad for Garry.

**COUNTY OF DUFFERIN.**  
The Revue of Orangeville has issued a notice, in accordance with the Act, calling the first meeting of the members of the County Council of Dufferin. The meeting is to be held in the Council Chamber, Orangeville, on the 25th of September.

**SCENES DEATH IN HOLDS.**  
James Hodge, proprietor of Queen Anne's Hotel, died suddenly last Friday night. Deceased had a quarrel with a neighbor a few days previous and had been complaining ever since of injuries then received. Dr. H. Maudsley, corner, has issued a warrant to hold an inquest.

**FIRE IN MOUNT FOREST.**  
On Thursday morning a fire broke out in the engine room of Trunk & Harris' wooden factory, on the site of the entire building was consumed, and was rapidly consumed. Very little of the machinery was saved. The loss is about \$10,000 insured for \$1,000.

**A STRANGE CASE.**  
An Ottawa despatch says a mechanic of that city has developed a curious mania and has placed himself in the hands of a practicing physician. He says he has an almost uncontrollable desire to murder his children, but that feeling towards them has passed off and he kept walking about. Dr. Maudsley, corner, has issued a warrant to hold an inquest.

**The mill hands in Dundee, Scotland, have accepted a reduction in their wages of five per cent, and have gone back to work. Over 8000 shoddy makers in the United States are on a strike for a return to former wages. The spinners of Fall River, Mass., have agreed to receive the reduced wages, but the weavers still hold out.**

**A despatch from Panama states, that articles of peace have been signed by General Delgado, the commander of the forces of the general government in the United States of Columbia, and General Santa Domingo, commandant of the insurgent forces, so that all trouble may now be considered at an end.**

**There is a beautiful expression of joy and gratitude upon the face of a lady when, after a thunderstorm, she observes the sun and the rainbow, and listens to the songs of the birds. But that expression of joy and gratitude is not the result of a natural circumstance, but the state of her feelings when during an examination of the stock of Christie, Heggerson & Co., she discovers such a splendid line of Black Bistres as far famed and justly celebrated Tiger Brand, at such remarkably low prices. Their famous 50c Tea for suppers, any initiation is offered.**

**Now They.**—Now is the time to improve the appearance, to impart the comfort, and enhance the value of your buildings, by giving them a coat of paint. It will do more for you than to the eye, and more valuable if you want to sell. Secord Bros. have all kinds of paints, oils, varnishes, &c.

**New Goods.**—New table and pocket cutlery, tea and table spoons, nickel and plated forks, knives, and all kinds, in great variety; just opening out of Secord Bros.

**Hill Bros.** have a nice assortment of photo albums, which they offer for sale at a very low price for a few weeks only. Call and see them.

**Earl Dufferin will sail for Canada on the eighth of next month.**

**Mr. George Brown, of the Globe, has arrived in Toronto, from Europe.**

**The Rev. John B. Keagoy, of Dundas, died at Ocean Grove, Philadelphia, last week.**

**Mr. John Pigott's saw mill at Chatham was destroyed by fire last week. Loss \$10,000.**

**Dr. Hingston, Mayor of Montreal, was married to a daughter of Lieutenant Governor Macdonald, this week.**

**The fishing this season in Lake Huron is unusually good, and the boats from Southampton sometimes bring six or seven tons at a time.**

**Mr. James Fuhey, lately editor of the Guelph Herald, has returned from California thoroughly disgusted with the "Golden Coast."**

**Mr. Simpson, of Galt, a noted cricketer, was recently presented by his friends with a very handsome cricket bat and pair of batting gloves.**

**The Guelph Maple Leaf Baseball Club set the New Haven professional, nine, on Saturday at Guelph. The score was seven to nine.**

**Heavy failures continue to take place in the States. Among them is the extensive publishing firm of Lee & Sheppard, Boston.**

**J. H. Macdonald & Co's paper mill at West Flamboro, and all its machinery, was totally destroyed by fire last week. Loss \$23,500; insurance \$13,000.**

**Houngin's axe factory, in Dundas, was completely destroyed by fire on Aug. 20th. Loss \$2,000; insurance \$800. It will be rebuilt at once.**

**Mr. M. H. Dinneen, of the St. Lawrence base ball club, Kingston, has just received an offer of \$800 to play second base in a new professional club in Cleveland, Ohio.**

**The wollen mill of Brodie, Paisley & Co., Peterboro', employing about sixty hands, were totally destroyed by fire on Thursday morning. The loss is heavy but partly covered by insurance.**

**Six men guilty of murder and horse stealing, were hanged at the same moment on Friday, in Fort Smith, Arkansas. One confessed to killing eight white men, and Indians and negroes without number.**

**Stile to the value of a thousand dollars was stolen from a Montreal store lately, and most of the goods have been found in a pedler's saggone near Newcastle, in this Province.**

**The ratpayers of Listowel, by a vote of 138 yeas to 9 nays, have decided to grant a bonus of \$4,000 to Mr. Spalding, for the erection of a bridge over the river. This is the second bonus of \$4,000 granted by that town within a few months.**

**The cost of the recent Sengfer at Berlin amounted to about \$2,675. This expenditure was met by the receipts, but so evenly that not a single dollar remains in the Treasurer's hands.**

**The by-law giving a bonus of \$10,000 to the Thomson & Williams Manufacturing Co., was voted on at a meeting on Monday, and carried by a majority of 133. The new company propose employing about three hundred mechanics.**

**Mr. Broughton's management of the Great Western Railway is simply beautiful. The traffic has fallen off so much that six locomotives, heretofore employed on the main line, have had to be laid aside at Windsor, and fourteen employes dismissed.**

**The list of Assignments made the week previous to the first of September, when the new Insolvent Law came into force, is the largest ever made in the same time in Canada. In Ontario there are thirty-four, and in Montreal alone twenty-four.**

**ACCOUNTS READY.**  
Messrs. Secord Bros. would respectfully intimate to their friends and customers that they are now making out all accounts, and would be obliged if their friends when visiting the store would ask for their accounts. We will deliver as many as possible through the post office, that being the quickest and best way of making them, our customers are so numerous and spread over a wide territory, that it would cost us at least a hundred dollars and a month's busy engagement to make them personally; hence it will be impossible for us to do so.

**Our customers who are happy to pay a special effort in our behalf, knowing as they well do that we do not unreasonably push for payments. All accounts not paid by a 1st of October will be handed in to Court for collection.**

**LOCAL MATTERS.**  
—Division Court in Acton next Monday.  
—Regular meeting of Masonic Lodge next Monday evening.  
—Halton County Council at Milton next Tuesday.  
—Wellington County Council at Guelph next Wednesday.  
—Acton Village Council next Thursday.  
—Essex Township Council next Friday.  
—Central Exhibition at Guelph next Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.  
—Halton Asizes at Milton on Monday, Tuesday.

—The proceedings of the Nassagaweya Council meeting, held last Saturday, arrived too late for publication this week.

—Dr. McGavin's handsome brick residence rapidly nearing completion. It will be an ornament to the village.

—We publish to day Mr. A. O. Buchanan's Exhibition Sale price list, and solicit the attention of our readers to it. It has a business ring about it which is quite refreshing these dull times.

—It is creditable to the reputation of the Messrs. Kennedy Bros., that they have received a large number of orders for boots from parties in Milton. The superior class of work turned out at their establishment must receive merit and reward.

**A communication has been received by Mr. Storey, Reeve, from a Mr. Baker, of Belleville, making inquiries about the inducements offered by this municipality to manufacturers. He wishes to establish a brush factory, giving employment to some 40 or 50 hands. He will probably visit Acton shortly.**

**Fall Stock Arrives.**  
The Messrs. Secord Bros. are now busily engaged receiving and putting up their fall stocks. Indeed, this live stock is assuming more the appearance of a city wholesale business than ever. Such immense piles of new from from all kinds of kinds piled up in any retail store. This is certainly a wide-awake house, and they seem determined to take it to the interest of the people far and near to deal with them. They say they are laying in the largest and choicest stock of goods this fall that they have ever done, and that is saying a good deal.

**Going Ahead.**  
There were ten of them—eighty-ly ten. They marched along Mill street to the station, last Monday morning, and firm resolution was in every step. They had high foreheads and intelligent faces; and there was a stern, determined look on each face—a look which said they would die for their country's call.

**"Nil Desperandum"** beamed from each stern countenance, and was even echoed in the tread of their footsteps. Were they going forth to fight? Were they going to the rescue of some kind of sentiment which the wicked world was trying to blot from the hearts of men? Were they going to the succor of the unfortunate and distressed? No, not a cent's worth—they were going out to play base ball. It was an imposing sight to see them march, march, each bearing that look which bearing year with the rib of battle is loaded. If every one of the ten had been on their way to the wood-pile or the hay yard the sight could not have been more grand or thrilling.

**Village Council.**  
Council met Thursday evening, 2nd inst. Present—W. H. Storey, Reeve, and Messrs. Hill, Speight and Nicklin. Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted. Resolutions to read By-law for levying rate of assessment for municipal purposes, a first, second and third rate, were passed. The By-law was duly read and adopted. The By-law of four mills on the dollar for County and Municipal purposes for 1876 and a portion of 1875.

**Resolutions were passed authorizing the reading of By-law for levying an assessment on the rateable property of Acton School Division for School purposes. The By-law was duly read and adopted, levying a rate of 7 1/2 mills on the dollar—making a total tax for all purposes of only 11 1/2 mills on the dollar. A resolution was passed authorizing the payment of three dollars as fees to selectors of jurors.**

**Moved by Mr. Nicklin, seconded by Mr. Speight, that the resignation of James G. Hill as Clerk and Treasurer of this municipality be accepted.**

**Moved by Mr. Nicklin, seconded by Mr. Speight, that Henry P. Moore be and he is hereby appointed Clerk and Treasurer of this municipality; that his salary shall be the same as that of the**

**retiring officer (\$80), and that his duties commence immediately upon filing the necessary bonds.**

**Moved by Mr. Speight, seconded by Mr. Nicklin, that the special report of the Auditor, made necessary by the resignation of the Clerk, be accepted.**

**Moved by Mr. Nicklin, seconded by Mr. Speight, that the Reeve issue his check in favor of J. G. Hill for the sum of \$87, being in full of salary, &c., to the 16th inst.**

**Petition of Asa Hall and others for improvements on Main street, was laid over till the next meeting, and then adjourned—the next meeting to be held on the 16th inst.**

**Two Fellows Vainly Search for a Livery Rig.**  
Early on Wednesday morning of last week, a young fellow named Dymon, and a man named Adams, livery stable, and asked for a horse and buggy to go to Opping, where he said he was going to do some painting; and would return the same evening. When the rig was ready, another fellow named Travis Cashmar got into the buggy, and the two drove off together. Sometime during the day it was discovered that they had driven in a contrary direction to what they stated, and that they had been seen driving towards Milton. Mr. Adams then despatched a constable for Milton with a warrant for their arrest. The constable traced them as far as Palermo, where they had been some twelve hours previous, and had gone to Henry Hamilton. Instead of following them up, as he should have done, he returned home without making further effort, and it is altogether likely that they are now in "the land of liberty." We understand that both parties have been living for some time in the neighborhood of Georgetown; they are each about 25 years of age. Oshman is married, and is respectfully connected, but he has for some time borne a bad character. The horse is a dark bay, about 16 hands high, seven years old, valued at about \$100. Mr. Adams offers a reward of \$20 for such information as will lead to the recovery of the horse and buggy, and \$30 more for the arrest and conviction of the thieves. It is to be hoped they may be caught and punished as they richly deserve.

**THE ESCAPADES OF A SHOEMAKER.**  
HE GOES TO MILTON TO SEE HIS GIRL—GETS ON A SPREE, AND STRAYS TO FERRIS.  
HE LEAVES THE RIG AND THEX DISAPPEARS.

A young man employed in the shoe store of Messrs. Kennedy Bros., hired a first-class horse and buggy from Allan's stable last Saturday morning, for the purpose of visiting "his girl" in Milton, and when he would return the following day. Messrs. Kennedy gave him several pairs of boots to deliver to their customers in Milton, with instructions to collect the money for them. On Monday he had not returned, and the next day they received a report that he had been seen in the neighborhood of Guelph, on a "big drink." He put up at a hotel in Guelph late on Monday night, and the following day started up the Elora road. Mr. Allan and Mr. Thompson, Kennedy being in company with the Base Ball Club, a telegram was sent to them at Listowel on Wednesday to come back to Elora and try and catch the runaway. In the meantime Mr. D. Kennedy went to Milton to look after the boots and see what money had been collected; he found that only some \$20 or \$30 had been received. Yesterday Mr. Allan telegraphed from Ferris that the horse and buggy were found there, but could get no trace of the man. He refrained from publishing the young man's name for the present, trusting that he will turn up all right in a few days, after he has got over his spree.

**BASE BALL.**  
"NIL DESPERANDUM" CLUB.  
UP-COUNTRY TOUR.  
MONDAY, SEP. 6, 1875.  
Acton 14  
TUESDAY, 7th.  
Harrison 41  
Acton 7  
WEDNESDAY, 8th.  
Listowel 12  
Acton 14

At Listowel, only seven innings were played, owing to two of the Acton club having to leave before the close of a game, being summoned by telegram to look after the runaway shoemaker. We explained in another paragraph. We will have further particulars next week.

**Explanation.**  
To correct any mistakes that may have arisen, we would say that the first nine meters which fell on the Messrs. Secord Bros. platform last week were not having their feet washed in the usual manner, but were washed in a tub of water, which they received another commission of 15 chests last week. This is certainly the cheapest tea we have ever handled, and would easily command 50 per cent more than they ask for it. They are anxious who secure a good lot of it, while it lasts.

**GEORGETOWN.**  
RUNAWAY AND NARROW ESCAPE.  
—Wednesday forenoon, the location from the 5th line Erie, was driven into Georgetown, when the horse took fright on approaching the white bridge, and ran away, throwing the woman out and stumbling her so that she was insensible for some time. She was taken into Mr. John Kennedy's, where every thing to relieve her was done. Dr. Standish was sent for, but being away, Dr. Fryman was called, who dressed the wounds, which were found to be some severe scratches about her face, and an angular cut on one of her ears. She so far recovered the same evening as to be able to return home. The horse was caught near Dr. McCulloch's.—Herald.

**APPOINTMENT.**  
—From the Ontario Gazette we learn that the Lieutenant-Governor has appointed Mr. J. D. Matheson, of Georgetown, to be a Notary Public for this Province.

**MILTON.**  
BASE BALL.—The Union of Communicable beat the Independents of Milton three runs, on the grounds of the latter club, on the 28th ult.—Herald.

**RUNAWAY.**  
—Dr. Bennett's horse ran away with him last Friday on the Base line, and threw him from the bridge. The doctor was severely shaken, but fortunately his bones were broken. The medicine administered, each of the ladies sustaining compound fractures.—Clarion.

**THE POOR HOUSE COMMITTEE.**  
The committee appointed by the Free City Council to visit and report in reference to the cost and management of certain houses of refuge for the indigent poor, both in Canada and the United States, and to report at the next session of the Council, with a view to their being taken by that body for the erection of a similar institution in this County, met at the office of the County Clerk, on Saturday, the 11th inst., at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of preparing the report.—Essex Post, 24th.

**FIRE IN BRAMPTON.**  
About 3 o'clock on the morning of the 4th inst., the wagon shop of Mahaffy & Johnson was discovered to be on fire. On account of the combustible nature of the building and materials, it was soon one mass of flames, which in a very few minutes communicated to a large stable adjoining and belonging to the Queen's Hotel, on Queen street east, which together with the building was in a short time consumed. But for the heavy rain in the afternoon and evening of the previous day, and the exertions of the fire company, the fire would have been very disastrous. Mahaffy & Johnson's loss is about \$1,000; in addition the Queen's Hotel, is about \$1,000, partially insured.

**A DIFFICULT BUT SUCCESSFUL OPERATION.**  
—Mr. Andrew Leing, of Nassagaweya, who is well known in the neighborhood where he resides, as well posted in diseases of cattle and horses, recently performed a very difficult operation upon an animal, in which he was highly successful. The case in question was a cow belonging to Mr. Robert Leiby, of that township, which, being taken suddenly ill, Mr. Leing was called in attendance. Upon seeing the animal, he was easily satisfied that she was gorged, and as the trouble had advanced to such a stage as to render remedies of no avail, he concluded to operate upon her as the only means of saving her. He then opened the cow's side, and also the stomach, and took therefrom eight pounds of food which weighed 153 pounds. The side was stitched up again, and the animal kept in the stable for a couple of weeks, and now she is out on the pasture as well as ever.—Mercury.

**A CONFIDENCE OPERATOR.**  
A young man named Edward W. Kuppel, son of the Rev. S. Kuppel, Methodist minister of Preston, Ont., is alleged to have been playing a confidence game upon several Methodists ministers between Hamilton and London. He is about twenty years of age, light built, with little or no whiskers, and wears light clothing. He says he is a conductor on the Great Western railway. He tells a story of a runaway horse, broken buggy, &c., and fills his story resultantly well to circumstantially. He has succeeded in luring several ministers out of their money. His direction seems to be westward.

**Murray & McDougall are erecting a flour and bran mill at Acton, with four run engines, driven by a 40-horse power engine. It will cost \$4,000.**