NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Thirty hour Clocks—C. & G. Hynds. Notice to Trespassers—Wm. Gordon. To Contractors—Acton School Board. Milton Planing Mills—J. R. Mitchell. Public School Teachers' Examinations. Big Drives—Christie, Henderson & Co. Great Special Sale—Wm. Stewart & Co. Wool, Wool—McLeod, Anderson & Co. Golden Lion of Guelph—J. D. Williamson & Co.

LOCAL MATTERS.

—A considerable quantity of wheat is being marketed, and prices are a few cents higher this week.

—Rev. Alex. Anderson will preach in Matthews' Hall, on Sunday, 11th, at 10:30 a.m. and 3½ o'clock p.m.

—Our editorial table is graced with a magnificent floral bouquet, kindly presented by Mrs. Secord, for which we beg to tender our sincere thanks.

—Some of our juniors played a game of base ball in Georgetown yesterday, with a club there, and made a score of 27 against the latter's 14. Easy enough.

—Remember the social at the residence of Mr. Benj. Nicklin next Wednesday evening, for the benefit of the new Methodist Church building fund.

—Rev. Mr. Lee and Mr. Thos. Craine of Acton are representing the parish of Acton, Rockwood, at Examinations at the Synod of Niagara, now in session at Hamilton.

—We notice by the report from the Methodist Conference, now being held at St. Catharines, that the first draft of the stationing committee places Rev. Mr. Calvert on the Acton circuit for another term.

—Prices for wool are likely to rule low this year, the highest figure being reported at about 28 cents. Very few buyers yet in the market. We have not heard of any in Acton. Messrs. McLeod & Anderson of Georgetown advertise that they are prepared to buy.

—It is rumored that Boss Tweed is hiding in a cave on the Canadian Shore, but that has nothing to do with those $1.00 clocks at C. & G. Hynds'.

The Georgetown Herald learns "that the usual half-yearly grant due the village school is to be withheld until the trustees comply with the requirements of the law, by properly enclosing the school grounds within suitable fences." Naughty trustees. They should have a good fence built immediately.

—Potato Bug and family have emerged from their winter quarters, and are busily engaged paying visits to their old friends and neighbors, preparatory to entering upon their regular summer campaign. Our quadruplicate friend Grasshopper is also jumping and lively. It is said there is reliable a very large and interesting family in this neighborhood again.

—Any person who wants to enjoy himself for an hour and have a good hearty laugh should call at C. & G. Hynds', Acton, and see the motion of those one dollar clocks.

—"It is predicted that mosquitoes will be unusually abundant this year, owing to the high water, and each one is to be as big as a house fly." This is sad news for the lovers of good sport in the woods. We might add that the prediction has been literally fulfilled hereabout in regard to the numerosity and vivacity of the animiles, but we are not so positive about the comparative size.

Examination of Teachers.

The annual examination of candidates for first, second and third class certificates for the present year will be held in the Town Hall, Milton, commencing on Monday, 20th of July, at nine o'clock a.m. All applications must be sent into Mr. R. Little, Acton, not later than 20th June.

Acton School Board.

The regular monthly meeting of the School Board was held in the school house on Monday evening, 5th inst. Present, Mr. Kennedy, chairman, Messrs. Moore, Snyder, Hall, Smith and Lasby. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Mr. Moore reported that he had employed Mr. Zimmerman to plant twelve shade trees in the school grounds, at the rate of 75 cents each, warranted for two years. The following accounts were presented and on motion ordered to be paid, viz: P. McCann, for repairs and carpenter work in and around school house, $4.24; E. Fisher, repairing and putting up new water spouts, $2.55; S. Zimmerman for trees and planting, $9; J. H. Hacking, for printing library catalogues, $32; Mrs. Worden on salary as caretaker, $15.00.

Moved by Mr. Snyder, seconded by Mr. Smith, that the board advertise for tenders for putting in two windows in the school house, also for sundry repairs, painting, etc. On motion, Messrs. Kennedy, Moore, and Snyder were appointed a committee to draw up specifications and attend to the proper performance of the repairs, &c. required.

The Board then adjourned till the first Monday in July.

—Economy is the road to wealth, if you want to practice it buy your jewelry and watches at a house that deals specially in that line. C. & G. Hynds' is the place.

SPECIAL SALE.—Wm Stewart & Co., of Guelph, are now making a special sale preparatory to removal into premises now in course of erection on Upper Wyndham street. In their advertisement they state that the entire stock will be offered at prices regardless of cost, to secure a reduction in amount of goods; which are all new. The sale is worthy the attention of the public.

Grangers' Picnic.

A combination of the several Granges in this vicinity, comprising those of Ballinafad, Allenwilliams, Stewarttown, Hornby, Acton, Erin Village and Caledon, held a grand picnic, on Friday last, in the extensive grove belonging to Mr. Whiteside, on the 7th line Esquesing, near Ballinafad. Calculating from the number who occupied places at the long tables, it was estimated that there were between 700 and 800 people present. The weather was all that could be desired, and every man, woman and child appeared to be enjoying themselves to their heart's content. Short addresses were delivered by Messrs. Alex. McLaren and Dick of Caledon, McLoughlin of Erin, and others. Vocal and instrumental music and dancing were amongst the other amusements, and right well were they enjoyed. The Granges appear to be in a flourishing condition. Last Friday was the anniversary of their organization in Canada.

—The Grand Centennial is now going on—so are those 50 hour clocks going off from C. & G. Hynds', at $3.50.

To the Editor of the Free Press.

DEAR SIR,—I did not intend to again trespass on your space but since Miss Cripps' last letter, several of the Sons of Temperance have called on me to say that they lie under suspicion of having assisted me in my "task." In justice to them I assure Miss C. that the work is my own. And, although I do not indulge in alcoholic liquors, I can readily excuse Miss Cripps' belief that I was not sober when I meddled with such a piece of folly as the subject of discussion. Her last letter is not what I would expect from one so conversant with Scripture as Miss C. appears to be, but I am grateful for the information that a few of the Sons hold her poetry in the same estimation as myself and I think the "few" means the greater part of the lodge. Miss Cripps offers some more poetry, whether to the Sons or myself I cannot say as her letter is very indefinite on this point. If to the Sons, they will consult their own taste, but if to me, it is respectfully declined. As I do not think a war of personalities would be to Miss Cripps' advantage this must be my last communication on the subject, for it is impossible for any respectable person to carry on a controversy in the time she has seen fit to adopt.

Yours truly, I. H. HANSON.

Acton, June 6th, 1876.

BIRTHS.

In Acton, on the 23rd ult., the wife of Mr. Charles Dean of a son. [A mistake was made in the sex as published last week.

In Acton, on the 5th inst., wife of Mr. Edward Matthews, of a son.

MARRIED.

At the residence of the bride's brother, Sun View, Esquesing, by the Rev. J. H. Hogarth, of Guelph, on the 31st of May, Mr. [illegible] of Acton, to Miss Sarah Wednesday, late of Guelph.

On Friday, the 2nd of May, by the Rev. Mr. Mills, at the residence of the bride's father, Stewarttown, Mr. John Clark, of York State, to Miss Elizabeth Dodds, of Esquesing.

On the 5th of June, at his own residence, on the York Road, by the Rev. Robert Torrance, Mr. Charles Allan, of the Township of Nelson, to Miss Jane Scott, of the Township of Esquesing.

DIED.

At the residence of her daughter in Acton, on the 7th inst., Mrs. Mary Bowlby, mother of Mrs. John Hermann, in her 86th year.

Suddenly on the 6th inst., at his residence in Toronto, Mr. William Leslie, late of Georgetown, aged 33 years.

AT

CHRISTIE, HENDERSON & CO.'S.

BIG DRIVES.

Special Bargains.

GREAT REDUCTION IN DRESS GOODS.

Dress Goods worth 25c, reduced to 12½c.

Dress Goods worth 30c, reduced to 15c.

Dress Goods worth 40c, reduced to 20c.

Dress Goods worth 50c, reduced to 25c.

SEE THEM.

The Youngs to be Hunted Down.

The *Spectator* says: "On Thursday morning a body of the city police, with Sergt. McMenemy and the Chief at its head, was organized for the purpose of hunting down the escaped murderers, the Youngs. With Sergt. McMenemy and the Chief went Detective McPherson, Mr. Tom Tindill, and a squad of ten constables. This number will be greatly augmented in the country. The idea is to thoroughly search every foot of ground between this city and the Grand River, to enter every house where the Youngs were intimate, and to thoroughly explore every suspicious point. Each man has got his tract of country mapped out for him, and the plan as shown to our reporter is certainly ingenious. The men are thoroughly armed, and are fully prepared for any emergency. Should they come across the Youngs their capture is certain, whether they are taken dead or alive. The Chief and his officers deserve every credit for this bold move, and it is hoped, for the safety of the neighborhood of Cayuga that they will succeed in their intention."

GOLDEN LION

OF GUELPH.

CHEAPEST DRY GOODS STORE IN ONTARIO.

THE HALF PRICE GOODS

From Montreal arriving by the car load every day.

The Greatest Bargains Ever Known.

The following are

A FEW OF THEM:

Children's Silk Parasols from 25c up.

Ladies' Parasols and Umbrellas, from 37½c to $5—most beautiful articles selling at just half their value.

Dress Goods, from twelve and a half cents—beautiful patterns and styles.

Prints, perfect marvels of cheapness, finest American makes 5c and 6¼c a yard; best English 8c. Over 5,000 yards sold on Saturday.

Ladies Satchels 75c. Cobourgs 18c.
Lustres 10c. Costume Linen 12½c.
Grenadines 10c. Lawns 12½c.

MILLINERY!

Largest Assortment of

MOST TASTEFUL DESIGNS

In Town.

All who have called say they never saw Goods so Cheap.

Come and See Us.

J. D. WILLIAMSON & Co.

MILLINERY.

MANTLES, DRESS GOODS, GENERAL DRY GOODS.

A very handsome stock just opened out—all new and beautiful—at

McNAIR'S

MILLINERY AND DRY GOODS EMPORIUM, ACTON.

Our stock of Millinery is not surpassed by any house in Halton county. Our sales during the past two weeks have been extraordinary large; four first class milliners kept exceedingly busy from early morning till late at night attending to the wants of our customers. Everybody highly pleased with the neatness, beautiful styles, superior quality and cheapness of our millinery. There is no longer any necessity for going to Guelph or elsewhere to get fashionable goods.

We have a large and handsome stock of MANTLES, of the most fashionable styles, in all sizes and qualities—very cheap and good.

Ladies' Ready-made Suits,
Black and Colored Silks,
Dress Goods of various kinds

IN GENERAL DRY GOODS

Our stock is much larger and better than ever before. A good assortment of Gentlemen's Goods.

Everything Marked Down to the Very Lowest Figures.

We believe in small profits and quick sales.

A fine selection of HANDSOME JEWELRY at all prices.

Also a Good Stock of General Groceries.

Millinery Show Room Up Stairs.

Please call and see our new goods and low prices.

D. McNAIR.

Acton, May 23, 1876.

NEW

Butcher Shop.

S. ZIMMERMAN

Would inform the people of Acton and vicinity that he has again commenced the

Butchering Business

In this village, and from his long experience in this line he will be able to furnish fresh meats of all kinds of the best quality, nicely and cleanly dressed.

Meat delivered at the houses Tuesdays and Saturdays, and always on hand at the Shop.

The patronage of the public is respectfully solicited.

S. ZIMMERMAN.

Acton, March 15th 1876.

ACTON

LIVERY & SALE STABLE

J. P. ALLAN

Takes pleasure in announcing to the public generally that he is prepared to furnish

First-class Horses and Carriages

At Reasonable Rates.

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

Acton, July 1, 1875.

UNDERTAKING.

The undersigned begs leave to inform the people of Acton and vicinity that he will furnish all

Requisites in Undertaking,

on short notice and reasonable terms as can be had

Hearse Supplied when Desired.

Also that he will

Fit up Stores & Offices

in the best style.

Show Cases, Book Cases and Desks made to order.

FURNITURE REPAIRED.

Shop on Willow street, near Main st.

P. M. McCANN.

Acton, March 20, 1876. 39-6m

LIME.

The undersigned keeps always on hand a large quantity of first-class Plasterers' and Builders' Lime at his kilns, Lot 24, 2nd con., Esquesing, half a mile from Limehouse Station. Price, 12½ cents per bushel at the kiln, or delivered anywhere in reach at a reasonable rate. On 40 bushels of Lime the buyer will save $1 by buying from me.

JOHN CRAIG, Prop.

Esquesing, May, 1876. 49

THAT WONDERFUL MAN, JOHN HOGG, GUELPH,

Upper Wyndham Street, Alma Block.

Tremendous Excitement! A Panic! See the Rush! Great Slaughter.

No Old Bankrupt Stock to Palm Off.

1831 Cases and Bales of Fancy and Staple Dry Goods at Prices that will astonish the People.

These are times that people must have good, sound and honest goods in return for their money; [moth eaten and bankrupt stuff won't do for the present intelligent day]. I have had to come to the rescue before to day; and now that the Trade of Guelph requires regulating, I am again called in to battle against high prices, inferior classes of goods and old fogy notions. I have this day marked off

An Immense Quantity of Staple and Fancy Dry Goods,

And I will astonish the inhabitants at the cheapness of really first-class goods. Don't delay, but call and be satisfied.

Millinery, Millinery: The Most Exquisite Taste is to be had in Ladies' Hats, Bonnets, Jackets, Mantillas, and all the Newest Designs in the Millinery and Mantle Departments. MISS SULLIVAN the Lady Milliner, presents to the public the most elegant taste and designs in Ladies' Hats and Bonnets to be found on this Continent. Indeed the eulogies bestowed on her taste in Trimmed Hats, &c., are almost beyond description. I would earnestly request a visit of the Ladies to my

Black, Colored and Plaid Silks,

Such exceedingly good and elegant qualities as are on sale at such extremely cheap prices, cannot fail to satisfy all—that there cannot be a doubt about purchasing at that Wonderful Man's Mammoth Store. Ladies fancy dress goods are a marvel of beauty, elegance and cheapness.

Don't forget those wonderful Lustres at 12½ cents per yard, well worth 20 cents, amazing value.

My prices all through this department are a terror to competition; [it's weakness in me, but I can't help it, to give cheap goods.]

My Old Motto is: Large Sales; Cheap Goods; Small Profits and Ready Pay.

My old friends and customers will be glad to hear of this large arrival of cheap and good goods by double better than any bankrupt stock.

JOHN HOGG,

Alma Block, Upper Wyndham Street, Guelph.

May 5, 1875

SECORD BROS.,

MONTREAL HOUSE,

ACTON.

We believe the correct principle of advertising and doing business generally to be, to show customers and others, clearly, positively and convincingly, that it is to their interests to trade with the party advertising. This of course is not possible to every merchant, for to do so he must be able to show clearly that he can give them better value for their money than they can get elsewhere. To accomplish this, he must not only buy well but he must mark all Goods down to Bottom Prices, so that customers will see at a glance, that it is to their interests to trade with him.

In the two invoices below we think we clearly show the advantage gained by those who deal with us, over those who don't.

A customer bought of Secord Bros.;

5 lbs. Meteor Tea, 50c. per lb.	$2 50
11 lbs. Bright Sugar	1 00
12 lbs. Medium Bright Sugar	1 00
1 lb. Best Hyson Tea	85
1 set Knives and Forks	1 50
1 set China, 44 pieces	4 00
1 gallon Coal Oil	30
	$11 15

Another party who didn't buy at Secord Bros., had to pay the following prices for the same goods:

5 lbs. Meteor Tea, 75 per lb.	$3 75
11 lbs Best Sugar	1 10
12 lbs. Medium Bright Sugar	1 09
1 lb. Best Hyson Tea	1 00
1 set Knives and Forks	1 75
1 set China, 44 pieces	6 00
1 gallon Coal Oil	35
	$15 04
Brought down	11 15
	$3 89

Secord Bros.' customer thus saved no less than $3.89 on a purchase of about eleven dollars. The man who didn't buy from them now thinks it would have been to his interests if he had gone to Secord Bros. That man is now a living, standing, walking advertisement for us. These are every day facts, witnessed to by hundred of of customers, and commend themselves to the attention of every frugal housekeeper.

Orders of five dollars and upwards delivered at Georgetown, Norval, Limehouse, Guelph, Rockwood, &c., free of charge.

SECORD BROS., Acton,

The largest Retail Importers of Tea west of Toronto.

DRUGS, DRUGS.

CHEAPEST

Drugs, Chemicals, Dye Stuffs,
Patent and Proprietory Medicines,
Fancy and Toilet Soaps,
Sponges, Brushes,
Paints, Oils and Varnishes,
Fancy and Rubber Goods.

PURE WINES AND LIQUORS for Medicinal Purposes only.

All goods warranted of the best quality and at ten per cent below Toronto prices.

Don't forget the place,

Medical Hall, Mill street, Acton.

Acton, March 13, 1875. G. E. MORROW.

STILL AHEAD AT THE

Central Boot and Shoe Store.

CRAINE & SON

Have just received their

SPRING STOCK OF BOOTS & SHOES

which is ahead of anything evered offered in Acton for style and durability and at prices that cannot be undersold.

OUR CUSTOM WORK

Will receive careful personal attention, and all work guaranteed to give satisfaction.

Don't forget the place,

Mill Street, opposite Morrow's Drug Store.

Acton, April 4, 1876. CRAINE & SON.

THE

POST OFFICE CASH STORE,

ACTON, ONT.

On beginning the business of 1876, I would return sincere thanks to my numerous customers for the very liberal support they have given me during the past 22 years, and again I most respectfully ask a continuance of their respective support. During my experience in business I have pretty thoroughly found out the

Ups and Downs in Trade,

And am fully convinced that a

Credit Business is a Dangerous Business to both Seller and Buyer.

I am therefore determined to do a

READY PAY BUSINESS

And give my customers the benefit by giving them

Eight per cent off for Cash on all General Groceries

(excepting Sugar). By doing business as above, I will have the cash to buy my goods and effect a

SAVING OF AT LEAST 6 PER CENT

and

MY CUSTOMERS WILL GET THE BENEFIT,

And in reality get

14 per cent for their Money.

Please consider the matter over, and give me your support to carry out the only right way of doing business, that is

READY PAY.

My stock will always be found complete in

Groceries, Provisions, Crockery, Glassware, Stationery, Wall Papers, Window Blinds, Window Rollers, etc.

Specialties.—SAUSAGE, OYSTERS, YARMOUTH BLOATERS, FINNAN HADDIES, &c., &c.

PRODUCE TAKEN AS CASH.

I believe in the DISCOUNT SYSTEM, and as it has proved very satisfactory, I will continue to give the discount as follows: On 25 cts, 2 cents discount; on 50 cts, 4 cents; on 75 cts, 6 cents; on $1, 8 cents.

Conveyancer, Issuer of Marriage Licenses, Insurance Agent Agent Money to Loan, Agent Montreal Tel. Co., Clerk Fourth Div. Court, Com. in Q. B., &c.

JAMES MATTHEWS.

Acton, January 18, 1876.