

Useful Information.

All sorts of vessels and utensils may be purified from long retained smells of every kind in the easiest and most perfect manner, by rinsing them out well with charcoal powder, after the grosser impurities have been scoured off with sand and potash.

Soiled Flannel before you make it up, as it shrinks at the first washing. Much of the shrinking arises from there being too much soap and the water being too cool. Never use soda for flannel.

Soft soap mixed with a solution of potash, or caustic soap or pearl-ash, and blackened lime, mixed with sufficient water to form a paste, is an excellent solvent for old putty and paint. Either of these laid on with an old brush or rig, and left for some hours, will render the putty or paint easily removable.

To clean paint, smear it over with whitening mixed to the consistency of common paste, in warm water. Rub the surface to be cleaned briskly, and wash off with pure cold water. Grease spots will in this way be almost removed, as well as other filth, and the paint will retain its brilliancy and beauty unimpaired.

To clean black cloth, dissolve one ounce of bi-carbonate of ammonia in one quart of warm water. With this liquid rub the cloth, using a piece of flannel or black cloth for the purpose. After the application of this solution, clean the cloth well with clean water; dry and iron it, brushing the cloth from time to time in the direction of the fibre.

To restore scotched linen, take two onions, peel and slice them, and extract the juice by squeezing or pounding. Then cut up half an ounce of white soap and two ounces of Fuller's earth; mix with them the onion juice and half a pint of vinegar. Boil this composition well, and spread it, when cool, over the scotched part of the linen, leaving to dry thereon. Afterward wash out the linen.

A New Use for Parrots.

That notable type of precocious depravity, the gowling Parrot, has again been distinguishing himself by a brilliant invention, which seems to have been a grand success until detected the other day and exposed at the Police Court. The professor of the new science began by providing himself with a tame parrot, which was trained, like a falcon in the age of chivalry, to return to the fist of his owner in obedience to a particular word of command. Accompanied by this ally, safely housed in a small cage, the urchin would go into a grocer's shop, as if for the purpose of making a purchase. Hardly had he entered the shop, however, when the prisoner escaped, to the intense apparent alarm of the poor owner. Of course the sympathy of all present was instantly aroused, and everyone—shopman, assistants, and chance customers—rushed about in pursuit of the lost bird. While the chase was at its height the adroit youth would be filling his pockets with all the most costly delicacies within his reach, and as soon as a sufficient quantity had been collected, would recall the bird to him, pretend to catch him, and having returned him to his cage, march off with him and with the booty. This trick was refined by its own success, a too frequent use of it having excited the indignation of the tradesmen, and brought about an application to the Police, who have now been down on two offenders caught in the very act.

Phyngrafs.

An intemperate printer is a typographical error.

Why is the tailor the poor man's friend? Because he settles the rents.

A dear old Yankee lady being asked if she had ever had her ears pierced by the wail of distress, said she couldn't just exactly remember, but she believed it was done with a shoemaker's awl.

"Have you seen my blue-faced antelope?" inquired Mr. Leoscope, who had a collection of animals, of his friend Bottlejack. "No, I haven't. Whom did your black-faced aunt elope with?"

A clergyman in Boston recently aroused his sleepy audience by asserting in the most positive manner that, "notwithstanding the hard times, the wages of sin have not been cut down one iota."

A debtor, severely questioned as to the reason of his not paying a just debt, replied: "Solomon was a very wise man, and Samson a very strong one, but neither of 'em could pay his debts without money."

"You must cultivate decision of character and learn to say 'No,'" said a father to his son. "Soon afterward, when the father told his son to chop wood, the boy said 'No,' with an emphasis that showed a remembrance of the lesson."

A blacksmith was once summoned to a county court as a witness in a dispute between two of his workmen. The judge, after hearing the testimony, asked him why he did not advise them to settle, as the costs had already amounted to three times the disputed sum. He replied: "I told the fools to settle, for I said the clerk would take their costs, the lawyers their shirts, and if they got into your honor's court you'd skin 'em."

CHRISTIE, HENDERSON & Co. ACTON.

Desire again to acknowledge with thanks the large share of patronage bestowed on them during the past season, and again most cordially request a continuance of the many favors extended to them by their numerous customers and the public generally. They have great pleasure in announcing that their Stock is now complete, and offers all the advantages that close buying and low cash prices can suggest.

As a matter of Fact, Acton is known not only throughout the County of Halton, but adjoining counties as well, as one of the CHEAPEST PLACES to buy Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes, Teas, and Household wants generally.

The business men and manufacturers of Acton, by their enterprise, push, and square dealing, have placed the village in a position quite in advance of many of its older and more pretending neighbors, which position they are determined to maintain. The immense quantities of grain delivered daily in Acton, afford the best evidence that **BETTER PRICES ARE PAID** than at other points east or west, and the enormous quantities of Eggs, Apples, Butter, and other Farm Produce shipped from Acton Station, prove conclusively that a large amount of business is daily transacted. Where Produce or Goods are handled in large quantities, only a very small margin for profit is needed.

AND THIS IS THE GENUINE REASON WHY Acton merchants pay higher prices for produce, and sell goods at lower prices than in other places.

In advertising our goods, we make no rash statements, and are determined to adhere to anything we state—when we say our goods are cheaper than others, we know it to be a fact. The public assure us it is the case, and we intend to stick to facts, and small profits. The people are our supporters and we intend to keep on their side, and will sell goods at lower prices than ever. Large variety, low prices, and the best goods are inducements we offer.

OUR MILLINERY AND MANTLE SHOWROOM

This season will offer more than usual attractions. In addition to our former staff we have secured the services of an excellent Milliner of long experience in fashionable circles, which will enable us to execute all orders neatly, promptly and satisfactorily. We ask no fancy figures as is usually done for millinery, but sell, as we do other goods, at "Honest Prices." Ladies, remember this!

Our Stock of Ladies' Dress Goods this season is large, varied and cheap. All the new and fashionable shades and patterns will be found on our shelves. Being determined to make a specialty of this line we have marked every piece down to bottom prices. No fear of comparison.

Ladies' Shawls, Jackets, Clouds, Fur Sets, Silk Ties, &c., in great variety and cheap.

Gents' Felt Hats, Cloth and Fur Caps, in all the newest makes and styles.

Heavy Etoffes, Tweeds, Undershirts, Drawers, Shirts, and Shirtings, decidedly cheap.

OUR STOCK OF READY-MADE CLOTHING

For gents', youths', and boys', is immense. Why go shivering to church when you can get a warm, respectable overcoat for only \$5.00.

Blankets from \$1.75 per pair up.

Our Stock of Boots and Shoes

This season is really immense, bought directly from the manufacturers and at the lowest cash prices. We positively assert without fear of contradiction that our stock of Boots and Shoes for cheapness, neatness and durability combined, is not surpassed by any house in the trade. Special discount off our low cash prices for any purchase of five or more pairs at any one time.

Scarlet and Grey Flannels, best Canadian and American makes, 12 to 20 per cent lower than last year.

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Teas, Sugars, Soaps, Tobaccos, &c., at decidedly low prices.

OUR FAMOUS 50 CENT TEA

Now commands a larger sale than ever. Buy a 5 lb. lot, and return it and get your money back if it does not give entire satisfaction.

OUR TERMS ARE STRICTLY CASH AND SMALL PROFITS.

Cash saves expense from collection and losses from bad debts. We rely on immense sales, and are satisfied with small margins. We put in no threads or buttons for the purpose of extracting a few more cents per yard from our customers. It is easy to buy of us, since all are treated alike, no one getting favors that are denied to others.

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CHRISTIE, HENDERSON & Co.

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R. CREECH,

SADDLER & HARNESS-MAKER.

Has removed one door west of his old stand, and is now prepared to turn out work, which for

NEATNESS, CHEAPNESS AND DURABILITY

cannot be surpassed by any house in the county.

Harness of all Kinds

supplied on the shortest possible notice, and warranted to give perfect satisfaction.

As he is doing business principally on the Cash System, he is prepared to sell cheaper than ever.

Give him a call and be convinced that this is the right place.

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CHEAP BOOKSTORE

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School Children should Buy Day's 5 cent Copy Book. It contains forty copies, and is made of good paper.

All the School Books used in the Town and Country Schools on hand at

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Day Sells Cheap.

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Nails, Glass, Putty,

Lined Oil,

Paints, Turpentine,

Coal Oil, Salt, etc.,

All of which will be sold low for cash.

BOOTS and SHOES

Selling off at cost.

Also agent for the **RUBBER PAINT COMPANY** Of Cleveland, Ohio.

Cash for Hides.

Acton, July 18, 1876.

OUR FALL STOCK

OF

BOOTS AND SHOES

IS NOW COMPLETE.

Call and examine our Goods and Prices.

Acton, Sept. 5, 1876.

CRAINE & SON.

Now is the Time to Purchase

CLOTHING.

TWEEDS being rushed off at reduced rates to make room for

FALL STOCK NOW ARRIVING

AT THE

EAST END.

Acton, August 1, 1876.

DICKSON McNAB

GREAT SPECIAL SALE

OF

DRY GOODS AND CLOTHING

Preparatory to Removal.

WM. STEWART & CO.

Our entire stock of Dry Goods and Clothing is now offered regardless of Cost, to reduce stock before removing to our new premises, new building. The public may rely on the

Best and Cheapest Bargains ever offered of

NEW CHOICE GOODS

Cheaper than Old Bankrupt Stock at Half price—Cheap because just the goods wanted—Cheap, because Fresh and New.

THE STOCK MUST WILL AND SHALL BE SOLD.

But we are aware how perplexing it is for honest people to read the advertisements here and elsewhere. We'll talk the loudest and brag the most seems to be the maxim of each. But an intelligent Public know well that Shoddy Goods are dear at Half-price.

GOODS REDUCED.

4,500 yards of Dress Goods,—former prices, 15, 20, 25 and 30 cents—reduced to 10, 15 and 20 cents.

Striped silks reduced to 37 cents.

Striped Grenadines to 10 cents.

Striped and Plain Linen to 10 cts.

Parasols from 15 cents.

Black and Colored Lustres from 12 1/2 cents.

Table Linens, Bed Quilts, Table Napkins, Sheetings, Damasks, Toweling will be offered at striking prices.

Colored Shirting from 10 cents. A lot of Woolen Tweeds reduced to \$1.00 to 60 cents. Colored and White Dress Shirts from 40 cents.

A JOB LOT of LADIES UNDERCLOTHING to be SACRIFICED.

This Sale is no Clap-Trap.

Reduced Prices Must Be Cash.

Guelph, June 5, 1876.

WILLIAM STEWART & CO.