

GRAND TRUNK TIME TABLE. Trains leave Acton as follows: GOING WEST. Morning Mail 9:10 a.m., Day Express 9:30 a.m., Express 5:17 p.m., Mixed 7:15 p.m., Night Express 1:25 a.m. GOING EAST. Night Express 3:37 a.m., Mixed 9:10 a.m., Day Express 11:35 a.m., Mail 5:17 p.m., Mixed 10:05 p.m.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. Notice-Galloway Bros. To Beavers-S. Smith. Tax Notice-S. Zimmerman. Removal-W. Stewart & Co. The Philanthropic Soc. Yeman. Watches and Jewellery-Geo. Hynds. List of New Books-Lovell, Adam, Wesson & Co.

LOCAL MATTERS.

December. Now pile the hearth, and let the ruddy light To thoughts of joy and merriment invite.

For Christmas time is near. Let every breast with warmer feelings glow. To meet the coldness of the icy chill That marks the dying year.

Christmas cakes, lunch cakes, pound cakes, fruit cakes, sponge cakes, etc., etc., at Galloway Bros. Bakery.

Municipal Nominations to-morrow-Friday-throughout Ontario.

The School Board, at a special meeting on Monday evening, accepted the tender of Mr. Thos. McCutcheon for the supply of firewood for the use of the school, at \$3 per cord, cut and split. There were only three tenders.

A Social in aid of the English Church Sabbath School will be held on Christmas Evening, commencing at 7 o'clock, in the hall over Mr. Henry Smith's furniture store. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A whip and muffer were feloniously taken from a cutter, belonging to Mr. McMillan, of Rockwood, which was standing in front of one of our stores, the other evening. The thief deserves to be well chastised with the whip across his bare body-but he has not been discovered yet.

St. Alban's Church. Divine Service will be held in this Church (D. V.) on Christmas Day at 11 a.m.

Cost of Local Improvements. The chairman of the street and sidewalk committee of the Village Council has handed in the following as his report of the total cost of public works during the year just closed:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes: Street grading and graveling \$33 75, Sidewalks \$10 00, Street lighting \$10 00, etc.

Acton Council. The Council met last Thursday evening, D. Galloway's account of \$3.75 for bread furnished to David Minto, and E. Foster's for inspecting tools, etc., were passed and ordered to be paid.

A petition was presented from the members of the Acton Brass Band, asking for a grant of \$25 to replace one of the brass instruments. On motion that sum was granted for the purpose named.

TAX NOTICE. The Collector begs to notify all parties who have not yet paid their taxes, that they must do so on or before Saturday, the 30th inst.

HOUSE TO RENT. A two-story roughcast house, containing eight rooms, is for rent. Apply to JAMES BROWN, Acton, Dec. 12, 1876.

SPEYSIDE Shingle, Stave AND HEADING MILLS.

Any parties wanting Shingles would do well to give us a call. We will always have on hand a good supply of No. 1 and No. 2 Shingles.

HURRAH! HURRAH! Christmas is Coming, And now is the best time to secure the BEST PHOTOGRAPHS

At Astonishingly Low Prices. The public are invited to call and inspect my work.

COPYING & ENLARGING. In all its branches, in the best style of the art, done on the shortest notice and at reasonable rates.

For good tea-cakes and tea loaves go to Galloway Bros. Bakery.

SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS.-Parties ordering one dozen photographs during this month will receive a choice pair of Chromos.

Craine's boots and shoes are the best in the market. Try a pair. -Just arrived a lot of Christmas goods, including Gents' Mottosed Mustache Cups and Saucers, Ladies' Mottosed Cups and Saucers, Children's Mottosed Cups and Saucers, Albums, Fancy Note Paper and Envelopes, Christmas Cards, &c., all to be sold cheap at J. C. HILL'S.

For a fine, well-fitting boot call at Craine & Son's.

Cash for Pork. Christie, Henderson & Co., Acton, will pay the highest price in cash for any quantity of well-dressed hogs.

Any one wanting a pair of good overshoes, should call at Craine & Son's.

Half Fare. The Grand Trunk will issue Christmas return tickets at single fare from any station on the road, commencing on Friday, 22d, valid until the 26th, and also New Year's tickets from the 29th inst., valid till January 2d. Cheap rates are also offered to Montreal and return.

Romance in Real Life. A forcible illustration of the axiom that "the course of true love never runs smooth," has recently been afforded in Guelph township.

Have laid in a mammoth Stock of everything Rich, Rare, Useful and Beautiful, in

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Watches, Clocks and Jewellery.

JUST ARRIVED, JUST ARRIVED.

A Good Assortment of

- Studs, Cuff Buttons, Lockets, Chains, Fancy Gold Rings, Gold Drops, Brooches, Sets, Black Sets, Separate Brooches, Drops, Black Lockets, Pearl Suite, Necklaces of all kinds, Toy Watches, Etc., etc., etc.

JUST OPENED. JUST OPENED.

Call and See Them.

GEORGE HYNDS, Watchmaker, Post Office Store, Acton.

December 19, 1876.

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GREAT CLEARING SALE OF READY-MADE CLOTHING

JOHN HOGG & SON

Having decided to go out of the Ready-Made Clothing business, will commence at once to sell at about one-half the ordinary price, OVER \$14,000 WORTH

Men's Overcoats, Men's Ulster Coats, Men's Sack and Shooting Coats of Canadian Tweed, Silk Mixture, and Black Broad Cloth, Cassimeres, &c. Also, Men's Pantaloons, of every class of Cloth. Men's single and Double Breasted Vests.

Boys' Clothing of Every Description.

This is a rare chance of obtaining FIRST-CLASS CLOTHING at about half its value. As the entire stock must be cleared out. Any clothing that may be unsold on the 15th of January, 1877, will be offered at Public Auction.

Hurry to the Wonderful Man's Store and save a \$5 bill on every \$12 you spend. JOHN HOGG & SON, Alma Block, Upper Wyndham Street, Guelph.

Dec. 1, 1875. THE LION, GUELPH

Christie, Henderson & Co.,

New Goods for the Cold Season Arriving Daily 30 PACKAGES JUST OPENED.

This Week we call Special Attention to some of our Great Bargains in

HOUSEHOLD GOODS

Blankets, very large Stock, \$2.75 a pair, very cheap. Quilts, great variety, \$1. Bed Comforters, \$2, cheaper than ever before.

Sheatings, Bleached and Unbleached. COTTONS.

White and Grey, splendid value, unequalled in Canada for quality and cheapness.

FLANNELS. We have the largest stock in the Province including Scarlet, Grey, White, Plain, Colored and Check. Prices lower than in any previous year. Home-made 25 cents a yard. Special value in Home-made, white, single and double width.

Table Linen, Towelling, Straw and Feather Tickings, Cotton Flannels.

The Lion has always had the highest reputation for cheap Staple Goods, and our customers acknowledge that this season we have surpassed all previous efforts at selling good sound goods at the lowest figures.

CARPETS. We have, without exception, the largest assortment of Carpets outside of Toronto. We invite inspection, confident that in this Branch we can satisfy every one both for quality and cheapness. A few lines specially suited for Carriage and Cutter. Trimmings-excellent goods.

READY-MADE CLOTHING. An immense variety, cheaper than can be found at any Clearing Sale. Ulster and every other kind of Overcoats, very low.

Our Buffalo Robes. Are famed throughout the whole of Western Ontario, so that we are constantly receiving orders from all points. We have sold an immense number, and have still a few left. Secure one at once.

PRICE FROM \$2.50. No Place Like The Lion for Cheap Goods.

J. D. WILLIAMSON & CO. Guelph, Dec. 12, 1876.

CHEAP GOODS

AT THE FASHIONABLE WEST END

65 Pieces Brocaded Lustres, 10 cents a yard. 20 Pieces Brocaded Reversible, 12 1/2 cents. 30 Pieces Fashionable Serges, new shades, 15 cents. 123 Pieces Wool Serges, 25 cents, regular price 40 cents. Special Line Black Silks, 90 cents a yard. 63 Pieces Dress Silks, handsome goods, to be cleared out at 60 cents a yard.

For Cheap Dress Goods, ladies should visit the Fashionable West End

A. O. BUCHAM. Fashionable West End Dress, Millinery and Mantle Establishment. Guelph, December 1, 1876.

BOOK AND JOB PRINTING PROMPTLY EXECUTED AT

THE FREE PRESS OFFICE

Acton, Nov. 29, 1876.

Remember that Famous 50c Tea, Which still maintains the lead against all competition. Don't fail to secure 5 lb or 10 lb, lot.

Terms Cash and Small Profits. CHRISTIE, HENDERSON & CO. Acton, Nov. 14, 1876.