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THURSDAY MORNING, FEB. 22, 1877.

Mr. Cartwright, Finance Minister, delivered his Budget speech in the House on Tuesday. It occupies about nine columns in the Toronto papers. It is proposed to abolish the excise duties on coal oil and to reduce the Customs duties to six cents per gallon. To cover this loss to the revenue he proposed to put two cents per pound on tea, one cent additional on malt, and three cents per gallon on beer, and an extra duty on cigars and several other articles.

The South Waterloo election on Monday resulted in the return of Mr. Masters (Reform) by a majority of two.

The quashing of the Dunkin Act in Lambton has caused quite a commotion in the ranks of both parties. It will likely be tried again.

Mr. Macdonald's Committee on the form of prayer met and decided to report in favor of having prayers at the opening of each day's proceedings in the House of Commons.

St Catharines' City Council, by a majority of twelve to four, resolved to submit a by-law to the people, voting $10,000 as a loan to the Welland Vale Works for ten years, without interest.

The Ontario Government have sent the commissions re-appointing Judge Macdonald, Messrs. James Goldie and Wm. Stephenson as License Commissioners for the South Riding of Wellington for 1877.

The collapse of the oil refining monopoly has already resulted in a large reduction of prices. The general quotation on Monday was 25 cents per gallon by the barrel, instead of 45 cents, as last week, and one car load sold at 17½ cents in bulk.

The Government have under consideration various recommendations in reference to the proposed amendments to the Weights and measures Act. It is likely that the Bill to be submitted to the House will be of a nature to render the impositions upon the public of a less onerous nature.

The Deputy Minister of Marine, assumes $30 to be a fair average of the value per ton of Canadian shipping, which would bring the value of the tonnage of Canada up to the handsome figure of $37,826,790. This is certainly not too high an estimate, and it suggests the enormous sums which the shipping of Canada must earn in solid money in prosperous years.

In Ontario there were during the past year 24,000,000 of letters conveyed by post, 3,268,500 postal cards, 1,100,000 registered letters, 22,000,000 newspapers, 2,913,352 books and miscellaneous articles, and 29,276 parcels. This is considerably more than half of all that was carried by the Department throughout the whole dominion.

By order of President Grant a check has been put upon the legal proceeding instituted against ex-Secretary Belknap, and he is now formally liberated from all liability to prosecution. The reasons assigned for this official intervention are that it is doubtful whether a conviction could be obtained, and that already the accused has been exposed to an amount of suffering and expense which go far to atone for any offence he has committed. This is doubtless very considerate and kind of the President; but whether the reasons will stand good in law and policy is another question. If this method were practically carried out in all criminal cases a reign of lawlessness would set in.

Gen. Grant has always been regarded as a man of remarkable taciturnity, and gained the title of the Silent Man. But recently he has been expressing his opinions quite freely on various subjects, and most of his remarks show strong common sense. In one of his latest conversations he said that there would before long be a breaking up of the present political parties in the United States and a reorganization of national politics on almost entirely new issues. This may be, and it may be for the best. The management of the late campaign and subsequent developments have done much to disgust the people with the bad elements—the conscienceless politicians—in both parties. The present crisis looks to an unprejudiced mind like a squabble between the office-seekers and office-holders, the details of which are supremely disgusting. If the loaves and fishes of political patronage could be removed from the arena of politics there would be no difficulty, but such has never been the case, and possibly never may be.

Time for Retrenchment.

(From the London Advertiser.)

We had a deficit last year. Expenditure exceeded income by $2,000,000. Since the end of the fictitious prosperity that lasted up to 1873, the people are less able to pay taxes than they were before. Up to the present time, the outlay upon public works has gone on regardless of this fact. The Government has announced its intention to go more slowly.

It would be very gratifying to see the great public works of the Dominion all carried out without loss of time. A perfect system of canals, a trans-continental railway fully equipped, and good post offices and custom houses in the leading towns would be both ornamental and useful. But it is time to ask if the country has not been going too fast with expenses of these kinds. When paying power has decreased, curtailed instead of expansion ought to be the rule. The *Monetary Times* has never been enthusiastic about the Pacific Railway, for it does not expect a traffic that would pay running expenses, nor has it any faith in the ability of Canada to pay for its construction. It looks at the question from a commercial stand-point—the only safe view, by the way—and it cannot recommend the prosecution of the railway beyond Manitoba. We give below the warning addressed by the *Times* to the Government with regard to the Pacific Railway:

"Speaking soberly and financially, we are convinced that the project of crossing the Rocky Mountains and forcing a railway through the tremendous defiles of British Columbia is a project not for Canada but for the British Empire. The very complete surveys which have been made, and the results of which are now before Parliament, reveal clearly what will have to be faced in order to reach the ocean. The British Columbia section from the Rocky Mountains to the Pacific will cost at the least $50,000,000. Now, looking at the matter simply from a commercial point of view, we are bound to express our conviction that nine-tenths of the money will be absolutely thrown away. This may be very distasteful to some who have been carried away by political dreams. But this journal has not to do with the political aspect of a question, but with the economical.

"The only section of the road in which Canada has a practical and business-like interest is that relating to Manitoba. That may be prosecuted as we have the means to do it. But this idea of ploughing into the passes of the Rocky Mountains and the gorges of British Columbia, is not common sense. It will be time enough to go further with it when the whole North-west is as thickly populated as Illinois and Wisconsin. And even then it will be a tremendous strain on the resources of Canada."

Coming Weather.

Mr. Vennor writes:—"There is something to be learned from every phase of our weather. The misplacement of our January thaw, for this is really my own error, and its unusual length, has necessarily altered the programme for the fore part of February, but it leaves in fact the general character of the winter as a whole. The first cold and stormy dip of the month is closer to the second, or that expected to occur in proximity to the 15th inst. This will result in a blending together of the two rough periods, and a consequent particularly protracted and severe spell for a large part of February. Further, I learn that we have just experienced three things, namely: 1st, The unusual power of the sun for the season, confirming my impression of an early spring; 2nd, That this spring will be warm and dry, and 3rd, That we may expect a wet midsummer—a feature I have already hinted at in my almanac."

[The present appearance of things indicate that Mr. Vennor's second prediction for this month will also be at fault. He has only six more days in which to redeem himself.]

Important Railway Changes.

REPORT THAT W. K. MUIR IS TO TAKE CHARGE OF THE GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY, AND JOHN CRAMPTON TO MANAGE THE CANADA SOUTHERN.

(From the Detroit Free Press.)

The most interesting bit of railroad news on the street last evening was a report obtained direct from the Main office at Hamilton, Ont., to the effect that W. K. Muir, at present General Superintendent of the Canada Southern Railroad, is to supersede General Manager Hickson, of the Grand Trunk Railroad, and John Crampton, who has just left the Great Western Railroad, is to succeed Mr. Muir in the management of the Canada Southern. The cause of this change is said to be Mr. Hickson's failure to satisfy the English Grand Trunk bondholders with his management, and particularly during the recent strike of engineers and firemen.

Some fiend cut the tongue off a cow belonging to Mr. George Taylor living on lot 73, Durham line, Greenock, on the 31st ult. Mr. Taylor suspects a certain party as guilty of the cowardly act, but has no evidence to bring it home to him.

NEWS ITEMS.

The new Methodist Church, Kinkardine, was opened for divine service on Thursday.

The handsome new Methodist church in Woodstock will be dedicated by Rev. Dr. Ives on the 28th inst.

It is likely that the steamer "Chicora" will be placed on the route between Niagara and Toronto the coming summer.

R. Weatherdon, tinsmith, and P. S. Wyat, dairyman, have absconded from Guelph, leaving a large amount of debts unsettled.

The merchants of Toronto are actively engaged in removing dutiable goods from bond, in anticipation of a rise in the tariff.

The new Methodist Church at Owen Sound was opened on Sunday, Dr. Jeffers, President of the conference, conducting the services.

A new way of putting it: Vanderbilt's fortune has been figured down to 55 cents every time he drew breath. A good yawn brought him $2.50.

On Saturday quite a commotion was caused at Kingston by the circulation of a report that Charley Ross, the abducted child of Philadelphia, has been found in that city.

The editor who can conduct a newspaper a year without making an enemy, would do for managing editor of a medical almanac, and that's all he is good for in the editorial line.

Mr. John Haggert, Mayor of Brampton, has resigned, a recent accession to his business requiring all his attention. Two candidates, Thomas Milner and James Golding, are already in the field, and a lively canvas is anticipated.

Most unpleasant rumors have recently been current in reference to heavy defalcations in the Port Hope post office. We learn from the *Guide* that defalcations to the amount of five thousand five hundred dollars have been discovered. Efforts have been made to raise the money and hush the matter up, but without success.

The distress in Toronto is increasing as winter progresses, and all charitable institutions exhibit a growing demand upon their resources. Every day the Mayor is besieged with applicants seeking relief or to be sent to hospital, or for railway passes, and, owing to the number applying, he is forced to refuse in the majority of cases.

During a fire which occured recently at Mr. Asher's store in St. Mary's, Mr. Frank Nixon, a clerk in his employ, went into the burning building in order to save some goods, and when coming out he was struck on the shoulder by an axe in the hands of a fireman, who did not see him owing to the smoke, making a deep and painful gash. Medical attendance was at once procured, and the young man is recovering.

CHARGE AGAINST A TEACHER.—In Tiverton a teacher named A. H. Smith, was brought before a bench of seven magistrates on Saturday last, charged by Angus McAuley with beating, ill using, and causing bodily harm to Effie McAuley, under eight years of age. After a lengthy investigation, the Bench returned a verdict of guilty against Smith, and fined him $4 and costs, about $14 in all. This is the second offence against Smith in a few weeks.

A FOUL FLY.—Guelph grieves over the sudden flight of a Mr. W. A. Jones, who figured as short-stop for several years on the Maple Leafs. His spare time he devoted to canvassing for various insurance companies, and it is now charged that numerous premiums of policies collected by him have not been accounted for. There are also debts due to merchants, hotels, furniture dealers, jewellers and others. His whereabouts are unknown. It is said that prior to his going to Guelph he was the hero of a simi-escapade in the States, and that he has since been going under an *alias*.

DARING HIGHWAY ROBBERY.—Mr. John Millen, cattle buyer, of Wroxeter, while driving on the gravel road by the side of the swamp at Douglas' farm, between Morrisbank and Wroxeter, was suddenly assailed, struck across the face, and stunned with a weapon, supposed to be a sandbag, about ten o'clock on Tuesday night. His pockets were rifled and a pocket-book containing $237 and a number of papers and receipts abstracted. The pocketbook was found by Mr. Wright, of Morrisbank, on Wednesday morning, while engaged drawing saw-logs from the swamp. The papers were all in their place when the book was found, but the money was gone. There is no clue as to who is the perpetrator.

The H. & N. W. Railway.

On Saturday afternoon the American Express Company ran an express car over the Hamilton and North-western Railway from Hamilton to Georgetown. This is the first express car that has passed over the road since it was opened. Arrangements have been made, however, between the express company and the railway company for a daily express car to run over the road from Hamilton to Georgetown.

Female Pedestrians.

TWO YOUNG GIRLS, THIRTEEN AND FIFTEEN YEARS OF AGE, WALK TWO HUNDRED AND NINETEEN MILES IN MIDWINTER.

(From the Detroit News.)

Two young girls, aged thirteen and fifteen, were left orphans in Toronto, and recently went to live with a married sister at that place. The sister was poor and unable to provide for them; they were anxious and willing to work, but could get no one to employ them. They had often heard of Detroit, and not wishing to be a burden upon their sister, and believing that if they could only get to the States they could find work, they conceived the idea of walking from Toronto to Detroit, a distance of 281 miles. About four weeks ago they started on their journey, and in three weeks walked to Port Huron, a distance of 279 miles. At that place some one took pity on them and paid their fare from that place to Detroit. Arriving here, they staid the first night at the police station, and thence were taken to the Home of the Friendless. At this institution they remained about three days, when they left and applied to a lady in this city for work. They told their simple tale and, although that lady entreated them to return to the Home of the Friendless, they positively refused, preferring, they said, to go any place rather than there. The youngest girl, a quiet looking, timid child, said they struck her over the fingers with a rattan because she would not sit with her hands behind her back. The eldest girl said the woman in charge of the Home threatened to send them back to Toronto. The eldest girl was sent by the lady to serve in a clergyman's house in the country. The youngest is still in the city. A *News* reporter, hearing of the extraordinary feat performed by two young girls of walking 279 miles in midwinter, made inquiries, and found the story correct. He also visited the Home of the Friendless to find if they had stayed there, and found they had. It is not at all creditable that this charity did not more deeply interest themselves in two young strangers who had travelled so far to find friends and work, and allow them, through dread of the rattan and being sent back to an unwelcome home, to wander away, neither knowing nor caring whither they went. Of course the managers of the Home would not sanction the action of their servants in this case, and it might be well for some of the ladies of that charity to enquire into the conduct of their employees, whose hearts are apt to grow cold toward the poor unfortunates. As long as there is no other place for friendless girls to go, the ladies will do well to pause before they give authority to their employees to strike friendless children or threaten to send them back to some inhospitable place they have left. By such means girls of a tender age are thrown open to the snares so often laid in large cities to entrap the unwary. Had those girls been wiled away to a disreputable house, who would have been to blame? It would be justly charged on the institution ostensibly organized to save them.

Georgetown Items.

(From an occasional Correspondent.)

A complimentary supper was given to Mr. G. C. McKenzie on Thursday evening last, at the Ontario House, on the eve of his departure for Thornbury. The chair was occupied by W. W. Roe, Esq., and the vice chair was very ably filled by the Reeve, Mr. McKenzie. Speeches were made by Captain Barber, Messrs. McLeod, Reid, Ross, Ryan, Wrigglesworth and Matheson, of Georgetown, Inglis, of Guelph, and Brown, of St. Catharines. Unanimous regret was expressed by all at Mr. McKenzie's departure. He has been a resident of Georgetown for 27 years, and is well known and widely respected.

The newest thing here is the Hamilton & Northwestern Railway. Our villagers opened their eyes "wide" on Wednesday morning last, when they found a strange engine, baggage car and first-class coach drawn up on the south side of the Grand Trunk station. Some refused to believe that it was really *the* train; others were mad that they had not been the first know it. But there was the fact—or the train rather—the engine fizzing away as contentedly as if it knew all about it. Tickets for Stewarttown, Milton, Nelson Town Line, Dundas Street, Burlington, and Hamilton, were called out at Georgetown for the first time. Baggage checks marked H. & N. W. R. clinked around the platform, and Conductor Hendrie made his politest bow to his new customers. Thus far the train makes the run "on time." Passengers report the road as much smoother and more enjoyable riding than they had expected.

W. D. Lyon, Esq., M. P. P., passed through Georgetown on Saturday morning, taking the H. & N. W. for Milton. By the way, do you want a "mesmerist," "mind reader," "ventriloquist," or anything in that line? If so come down here, "pay your money and take your choice."

The beautiful weather of the last two or three weeks has left us, as all know it would, and is followed by a decided fall in the thermometer, sharp, cutting winds and some snow. The latter is decidedly welcome to many who have teaming to do. LATER—More sunshine and less snow. RORY.

—Secord Bros. are offering and giving special inducement in Crockery, Glassware, China, Hardware and Groceries. Go and see them.

An Affectionate Gander.

A correspondent informs us that in the village of Drayton a grain buyer several weeks ago saved a gander from two dogs who were acting rudely towards him, and ever since he has shown the greatest affection for his protector; in fact, he never leaves him while on the market, and if he should enter a store or other place of business the gander will remain outside the door until his guardian comes out, and will always greet him with kindness, which he shews by making a great noise, flapping his wings, wagging his tail, and following him wherever he goes. He is the observed of all observers, and is certainly a curiosity. He can be seen every day in the village following his protector from door to door. The perceptive faculties of this gander are remarked by everybody, and particularly by strangers, as he will perceive his protector in the morning as he comes to business, several blocks away, and will immediately fly to him with every demonstration of joy.

A young man who resides in the vicinity of Wardsville has been making himself quite notorious by offering for sale and disposing of quite a number of notes of hand, purporting to be signed by wealthy farmers of that vicinity; but on presentation to the parties whose names were signed to them, they were declared to be forgeries of the very worst kind. The young man then fled as far as Chatham, but in the meantime his father, hearing of the circumstances, paid every dollar that the different parties had lent through buying the notes.

A baliff has taken possession of the Shakespear Hotel, Toronto.

MARRIED.

In Esquesing, on the 19th inst., by the Rev. C. R. Lee, M.A. of Acton, Mr. James W. Elliott, of Chesley, Co. Bruce, to Martha, eldest daughter of Mr. James Bell, of Esquesing.

In Acton, on the 15th inst., at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. G. W. Calvert, assisted by Rev. D. B. Cameron, of Acton, and Rev. Thomas Lowry, of Brantford, Wm. H. Lowry, Esq., M.D., to Miss Ann Jane, eldest daughter of Charles T. Hill, Esq., all of Acton.

ACTON MARKETS.

Flour	$3 25 to 3 50
Old Fall Wheat	1 40 to 1 50
New Fall Wheat ..	1 35 to 1 40
Spring Wheat, Glasgow ..	1 25 to 1 35
Red Chaff Wheat ..	1 20 to 1 30
Barley	0 00 to 0 00
Oats	0 47 to 0 50
Peas	0 68 to 0 72
Potatoes, per bag ..	0 80 to 0 90
Dried apples per lb ..	0 05 to 0 06
Butter	0 20 to 0 22
Eggs.	0 17 to 0 00
Dressed Hogs	7 00 to 7 25

$999 Can't be made by every agent every month in the business we furnish, but those willing to work can easily earn a dozen dollars a day right in their own localities. Have no room to explain here. Business pleasant and honorable. Women and boys and girls do as well as men. We will furnish you a complete Outfit free. The business pays better than anything else. We will bear expense of starting you. Particulars free. Write and see. Farmers and mechanics, their sons and daughters, and all classes in need of paying work at home, should write to us and learn about the work at once. Now is the time. Don't delay. Address TRUE & Co., Augusta, Maine.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WAR IN THE EAST.

GREAT SLAUGHTER IN LEATHER.

As immense quantities of leather is being manufactured into harness for the

Cavalry Horses,

the prices have consequently gone up. Nevertheless

E. K. COOK

Is prepared to furnish all articles in the line of

Harness, Saddles, Trunks, Etc.,

at as reasonable rates as ever. He is a practical workman, and ready to fill all orders as quick, as good, and as cheap as anywhere else in the Dominion.

☞ All work guaranteed. ☜

Repairing promptly attended to.

A good stock of Harness, Whips, Brushes, Combs, etc., always on hand.

E. K. COOK.

Acton, Feb. 20, 1877.

TO THE

FARMING COMMUNITY

I have added to my Mill a

Thirty Horse Power Engine

Also another

RUN OF STONE,

with other Machinery, and am prepared to do

Gristing and Chopping

Fine or coarse, to suit all parties, on the shortest notice.

Thanking you for past favors, I remain,

Yours respectfully,

L. ROSE.

Georgetown, Feb. 21, 1877. 34-4t

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

TO BREEDERS.

The thoroughbred Durham Bull "Zephyr," will serve cows on the farm of the subscriber, near the Grand Trunk station, Acton. Terms—Durhams, $8; Grades, $2. Pedigree—Zephyr [4260] bred by F. W. Stone, Guelph, got by Imported Sheriff (29964), dam Sanspariel 10th.

C. S. SMITH.

Acton, Feb. 14, 1877. 33-tf

THREE Yearling DURHAM BULLS for sale.

C. S. SMITH.

Acton, Feb. 14, 1877. 33-tf

The Acton Plow Co.

Are manufacturing the celebrated

STEPHENSON PLOWS.

They keep a full stock on hand, and are prepared to do all kinds of

Repairing on Plows,

and also also kinds of

Lathe Work and Iron Planing

on the shortest notice.

Please call and examine our plows before purchasing elsewhere.

Acton, Feb. 13, 1876.

ONTARIO

SADDLERY,

ACTON.

The subscriber takes this opportunity of thanking his numerous customers for for the very liberal patronage given him the past year, and would state that it is his motto to do a

Square and Honest Business

as heretofore, and hopes to retain the same liberal appreciation from the public.

All orders entrusted to my care will be

ATTENDED TO WITH PROMPTNESS.

As none but Good Workmen are Employed,

Parties can rely on getting a good article and as cheap as good work can be done for.

Repairing Done with Neatness

COLLARS A SPECIALTY.

R. CREECH.

Acton, Feb. 14, 1877.

PAINTING AND Paper Hanging

The undersigned is prepared to do all kinds of

House Painting, Kalsomining and Paper Hanging

in the very best manner, and on reasonable terms.

Residence corner of John and Agnes streets, Acton.

W. H. WALKER.

Acton, Feb. 14, 1877. 33-2m.

To the Working Class.—We are now prepared to furnish all classes with constant employment at home, the whole of the time, or for their spare moments. Business new, light and profitable. Persons of either sex easily earn from 50 cents to $5 per evening, and a proportional sum by devoting their whole time to the business. Boys and girls earn nearly as much as men. That all who see this notice may send their address, and test the business we make this unparalleled offer: To such as are not well satisfied we will send one dollar to pay for the trouble of writing. Full particulars, samples worth several dollars to commence work on, and a copy of Home and Fireside, one of the largest and best Illustrated Publications, all sent free by mail. Reader, if you want permanent, profitable work, address GEORGE STINSON & Co., Portland, Maine.

CASH FOR WHEAT.

Any quantity of good merchantable wheat wanted at the the Acton steam mills, for which the highest market price will be paid in cash.

B. & E. NICKLIN.

Acton, Feb. 7, 1877. 32-tf

TO BREEDERS.

The young thoroughbred Durham Bull "Duke of Kent," bred by Mr. Stone, of Guelph, out of the imported cow "Sultana the 7th;" by "3d Duke of Springwood," (see 3d vol. Canadian Herd Book) will serve cows on the premises of the undersigned, lot 24, 1st con. Esquesing. Terms—For Durhams $5; Grades $2.

ALEX. WALDIE,

Esquesing, Feb. 1, 1877. 31-3m

GLENLAWSON MILLS, ACTON.

G. & E. TOLTON

Propose hereafter doing a strictly cash business. All flour and feed must be paid for on delivery, or at least within one month. All accounts now due must be paid before the 10th of February next.

G. & E. TOLTON.

Acton, Jan. 24, 1877. 30-4t

TO BREEDERS.

The young Berkshire Boar "Wellington Chief," bred by Geo. Rudd, of Guelph, has been purchased be me and will be kept for service on my premises adjoining this village. This animal is from imported stock with first-class pedigree. Terms $1.00, to be paid at time of service.

C. S. SMITH.

Acton, Dec. 18, 1876. 25-tf

BIG PUSH.

Grand Final Slaughter!

THE LION

ALWAYS TAKES THE LEAD.

On the 1st of March we take stock, and in order to reduce it to the lowest possible figure, we will up to that date put down the prices lower than has ever been known in Guelph.

We will keep no winter goods on hand—we must have room for our new Spring Imports—so if you want the greatest Bargains going,

Now is the Time, and the Lion the Place.

We have done a rushing trade during the past season, and now to counterbalance the hard times so generally complained of, we will give our customers a

Grand Chance to Buy Cheap.

Our entire stock, amounting to over $90,000, is offered AT COST.

This will be found to be the greatest chance for buying Cheap Dry Goods ever known in the annals of Guelph.

The Lion has already the greatest reputation for selling cheap of all the stores in the Province, but this time we will surpass all previous efforts, and beat the world.

The Reduction is general throughout our Stock.

Everything to be rushed off at cost. No one should lose this big chance.

DRESS GOODS.

65 Pieces, reduced from 30 cents to 20 cents.
36 " " " 25 " 15 "
24 " " " 19 " 12 "
80 " " " 22 " 15 "

These are the very latest styles and colors, and no one should buy a dress without first making an inspection of these goods.

Fancy and Plain Silks at Extraordinary Figures.

Special drives in Clouds, Furs, Shawls, Wool Shirts and Drawers, Flannels Blankets, Quilts, Horse Blankets, and Winter Shirts.

WINCEYS! WINCEYS! WINCEYS!

SPECIAL ATTENTION.

Our Ready-made Clothing and Millinery and Mantle Branches, deserve special notice. These goods we will run out at any price, and any one needing these goods should come to us at once for they will never have a better chance to secure a bargain.

A fine assortment of Tweeds all marked down to cost. Full Cloth 30 Cents.

Why is it?—The question often asked is, Why is it that in a few years we have been able to increase the small business formerly done at The Lion, to its present enormous size, (the largest outside of Toronto)? The true answer is that we do the best we possibly can for our customers. We buy at the lowest figures; we sell at the same and we treat our friends so that they always come back to us. Honesty is the best policy, and honesty and courtesy are the ruling principles at The Lion.

J. D. WILLIAMSON & CO.

Guelph, Feb. 12, 1877.

GEORGE HYNDS,

Watchmaker and Jeweller,

POST OFFICE STORE,

ACTON, ONT.

My work is all giving satisfaction, and you will find this is the place to bring your

Watches, Clocks and Jewellery

To get Repaired.

THE FINEST SELECTION OF JEWELLERY,

THE LATEST STYLES IN JEWELLERY,

AND THE BEST STOCK OF WATCHES AND CLOCKS,

Will always be seen at

GEORGE HYNDS'

Jewellery Store, Acton.

February 7, 1876.

GREAT

CLEARING SALE.

On account of certain anticipated changes in business, and in order to reduce their stock preparatory to such change, the undersigned have decided to offer

Special Inducements to Cash Buyers.

DRY GOODS, FLANNELS,

Winceys and other Staple Goods

To be disposed of at cost price and under.

A large and varied assortment of

HATS AND CAPS

Of the latest styles to be rushed of at reduced rates. Also

GENTS' UNDERCLOTHING AND FURNISHINGS.

Parties desirous of supplying themselves with a cheap suit will find that now is the time to buy.

DICKSON & McNAB.

Acton, February 7, 1876.