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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

New Goods—John Hogg & Son, The Exchange Hotel—John Maney, Midwinter Examination—Co. Halton.

LOCAL MATTERS

The song of the grasshopper—this wheat by and by.

Don't fail to attend the Entertainment in the Drill Shed this evening.

C. W. Hill will have a large quantity of Ice Cream on hand to-day.

A \$4 bill was lost on Mill street last evening. The finder return it to Mr. M. Speight.

There are few more melancholy sights to the head of the household these days than the bottom of the family flour barrel.

We are requested to announce that the Rev. Mr. Stobo, of Brampton, will preach in the Baptist Chapel, next Sunday, at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

A by-law exists that prohibits horse, pigs, sheep and geese to run at large. Parties keeping the same running at large are liable to be prosecuted.

Last night some cats on the back fence were talking over the map of Europe, and requested one another that the line should be drawn around "Technique-toch-mayon."

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" will be the principal attraction to-night. Everybody who has read the story will want to see the dramatic representation of it, and those who have not read it, should see it enacted.

Some of our ladies have adopted the style of parting their hair on the side. This is probably done by way of retaliation for the liberties taken by those idiotic men who are addicted to parting their hair in the middle.

A pair of perambulating umbrella menders—male and female—were arrested here yesterday by Constable Matthews, and held till the arrival of Chief Constable Kelly, of Guelph, to whom they were delivered. The charge was said to be lechery in Guelph.

Our Public School should be the pride of every man, woman and child who resides in this village. The teachers should receive the support and encouragement of parents. Nothing encourages them more than to see that the parents take interest even in the school to visit it at least once during the term.

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The Georgetown Herald, of last week, says that a man by the name of Mr. Donald Kennedy, living near Acton, came to that village last Friday morning with a valuable horse, and while on his way home, the animal fell ill and died on the 7th line near the old graveyard. The animal was valued at \$125.

We are informed that a young lady in this village recently worked the motto, "I need thee every hour," and presented it to her chap. He says he can't improve matters, as it takes him two hours to clean his dog; he can't go two more to play with his dog; four to call on the other girl, not to mention the time spent waiting for professional calls, so he concludes he can't come to time.

Each man's Cabin.

The entertainment to be given in the Drill Shed this evening promises to be of an unusually interesting character, and the indications are that it will be exceedingly well patronized. Messrs. Halford and Banks are exerting themselves to have everything properly arranged, and the rehearsals show respectable aptness on the part of our local amateurs. The character of "John's Eve" will be represented by Little Ollie Halford, in a manner that cannot fail to attract the sympathies and admiration of the audience. Those who have read the book will recognize her remarkably life-like impersonation of the original "Eve" so beautifully portrayed by Mrs. Stowe. The other leading characters in the drama are taken by Mr. and Mrs. Algie Halford, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Banks and Mrs. Beard.

Ice Cream to be had fresh and good, at C. W. Hill's.

Oranges and Lemons, fresh, large and choice, just received at Second Row.

Mr. John Maney has fitted up the Stone Hotel in this village, in handsome style, and is now prepared to accommodate travelers and boarders. The interior of the house looks a great deal better than it has done for a number of years.

The Acton Social Club proposes having a dance after the close of the Dramatic Entertainment, in the Drill Shed, to-night, to which they respectfully invite those inclined to participate. A small admission fee will be charged; refreshments free.

Mr. Agnew has recently put up large additions to his driving sheds, in connection with his hotel.

Ice Cream by the quart or otherwise, at C. W. Hill's.

Austin Humphrey, who murdered Frederick Apple at Windsor in February last, suffered the extreme penalty of the law by hanging, last Tuesday morning.

Health.

S. L. Fee, Dentist, will visit Acton on the first Thursday of each month, Office at Agnew's Hotel.

Paint up your fences, mow your lawns, and lay out a few handsome beds of flowers in front of your house. It will improve the neighborhood, and help give our village an inviting look in the eyes of the hundreds of strangers who will visit us during the coming summer.

High School Entrance Examinations.

An examination of pupils for admission to the Oakville High School, will be held on Tuesday, the 3rd, and Wednesday, the 4th July next, beginning at 9 o'clock a.m. Candidates are requested to notify the Head Master, R. J. Willwood, Esq., not later than the 1st inst., of their intention to present themselves for examination, so that an estimate may be made of the probable number of papers to be printed.

We publish the following letter from the Rev. Mr. Calvert with a great deal of pleasure. Nothing that anybody else could possibly invent could show to better advantage that manner of man the people of Acton have had to deal with during the past two years. Personally, we have had very little contact with him, and have had no reason to utter any specific complaint against him. But the expressions regarding him that we have heard from those who felt themselves aggrieved at his ungentlemanly and unchristianlike conduct, have been so numerous and so general that it was not difficult to induce us to give place in our columns to the communication that appeared last week. The bitter animus which governs him in all his dealings with the public is so vividly portrayed in the annexed communication, that any further remarks on our part would be entirely superfluous.

To the Editor of the Free Press.

Dear Sir,—At the instigation of the Knights of Pythias, in the village of Acton, of which Society you are a member, you were pleased to publish a communication in your last issue, which is a direct and open attack upon my character; an attack which likewise is as malicious as it is public. It therefore becomes my duty not so much to reply to so vile and slanderous a publication, as to vindicate my character before the public. On reading your article, my first impulse was to answer it as it deserved to be answered; but, being repeatedly advised by Christian people that are members of other churches, as well as my own, not to take any notice of it; but to treat it with utter and silent contempt, and to give no place to it, as to be beneath the dignity of any christian to notice, or take to heart, I resolved to act differently to what I had intended at first. I am just now here that the first among the many individuals who have called at my place of residence, to express their disapprobation of the article in question, and their confidence in my integrity, was an eminent christian minister of this village, who also strongly advised me not to notice your vilification. Several of my ministerial brethren convened in Acton for our Annual District Meeting, and they agreed that we should present ourselves in the same way and gave me the same advice. I would just remind you, that you were very careful to slander at the same time you thought it would do me the greatest amount of injury, but you shot almost of the mark. My brethren in the ministry have known me too long to be influenced by so dastardly a deed. Their confidence in my integrity was shaken. As regards the article in question, I have to say that in part I have taken the advice so repeatedly given me by kind and judicious friends; but still cannot altogether allow it to pass by unchallenged. I will therefore take up and consider the two instances of alleged falsehood, which your committee of investigation pretend to fasten upon me, (whom they are pleased to call the man in all Christendom, and for which they may yet be sorry.) 1st. As regards the charge, that I told a gentleman that it would cost him one hundred dollars to fully equip himself in the Order, I think I am entitled to say, that it was in this wise: Entering into conversation with a gentleman, who had been initiated into the Order, I asked him if it were true, as his brethren have said, that he could not say, for he knew but little about the matter, but only pointed it the previous evening, and replied that it would cost him one hundred dollars to equip himself in the uniform worn by the gentlemen who came from Toronto to organize the Lodge, and that the uniform would cost one hundred dollars, for they looked to be equally as good as the uniform of a volunteer company, and I knew that such uniform cost one hundred dollars. But it appears that they are not so good as I took them to be. The Society of K. of G. being more sober than most, as they themselves say each equipment (sword, helmet, and equipment) cost \$250. 2d. As regards the "cast iron oath" which they say I have placed upon my "eloquent and characteristic phrase, a dirty black oath." This in part I positively deny. I never used the words "cast iron" nor do I ever remember using the words "dirty and black" as applying to the oath. I will explain what I do say. The gentleman who had been initiated, I met a young man who had been initiated, and he said that he might see how they prospered. I further stated to him that as far as I was concerned myself, I would never take such an oath, but that I would be glad to see him do so. In both cases, the parties spoken to were members of my church, and all that passed between us was nothing more than a conversation to cause me to make such a murderous attack upon my character. I leave the public to judge. I would also add that such a publication appeared to your last issue in both base, mean, low, dastardly and malicious, and any one who can calmly and deliberately put forth such an attack upon me, and who has the nerve to do so, is a man who is worthy of the name of a villain. I have written a little in order that the village of Acton there are three such men, and that they are all members of my church, an entire lodge of men, some 20 or 30 in number. Well assured, gentlemen, you have made the mark this time. The words you so maliciously cast upon me, have been made public, and have entered your own vile hearts. Public indignation is already against you. I leave the matter here. Trusting you will be satisfied by my remarks, I remain to the public.

G. W. CALVERT.

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WHEAT LOST.

About half a bag-full of Wheat was lost on Tuesday between the 4th line and Tolson's Mills. The owner's name is on the bag. The finder will please return it to G. & A. McDONALD, Lot 30, 4th line Esquimaux, May 23, 1877.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY IN ACTON.

Thursday, May 24.

PROGRAMME.

BASE BALL MATCH

Will commence at 10 o'clock a.m., on the grounds of the Pastime Club. A prize of \$10 is offered to the winning club, open to any base ball club in the County of Halton.

The other games will commence at one o'clock p.m., sharp.

Quilt Match \$100 \$200

Throwing heavy shoulder stone 2 00 1 00

Throwing light shoulder stone 2 00 1 00

Throwing base ball 2 00 1 00

100 yard foot race 2 00 1 00

200 yard foot race 2 00 1 00

300 yard hurdle race 2 00 1 00

Boys' 100 yard foot race, (under 15 years) 2 00 1 00

Hop, step and jump 2 00 1 00

Running jump 2 00 1 00

Standing jump 2 00 1 00

Boys' running jump (under 15 years) 2 00 1 00

Three-legged race 2 00 1 00

Three-legged race 2 00 1 00

Eating tonic tons 2 00 1 00

and other games if desired.

At 5 o'clock p.m. there will be a GRAND PARADE BY THE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS, in their handsome new uniform, accompanied by the Acton Brass Band.

In the evening there will be a splendid Dramatic and Musical Entertainment in the Drill Shed.

Under the joint auspices of the Acton Social Club, the Knights of Pythias, and the Acton Brass Band, when will be presented a complete representation of Mrs. Stowe's world renowned moral drama of

UNCLE TOM'S CABIN

Which will be enacted, with appropriate scenery, by a number of first-class dramatic performers, assisted by local amateurs. The services of several professional ladies and gentlemen have been secured at great expense, for this occasion, and the Committee are determined to spare no pains to make the entertainment of an excellent character throughout. The dramatic performance will be interspersed with Vocal and Instrumental Music. The Drill Shed will be comfortably seated, and otherwise well fitted up for the occasion.

Doors open at 7 o'clock; Entertainment to commence at half-past seven, sharp. Admission, 25 cents.

Ice Cream, Fine Apples, Lemons, and other refreshments will be furnished for those who desire them.

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C. T. HILL, MILL Street, ACTON.

DEALER IN Groceries, Crockery, Boots & Shoes, Wall Paper, Window Blinds, Walls, 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 RUBBER PAINT COMPANY of Cleveland, Ohio.

Cash for Hides. Acton, July 18, 1876.

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FOR THE BEST PHOTOGRAPHS in the County, at The Ontario Photograph Gallery

For Beauty of Finish and Brilliance in Tone, they cannot be surpassed.

COPYING & ENLARGING

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

Also a splendid stock of Mountings and Picture frames kept on hand and made to order.

A call is solicited, and you will be convinced that this is the place to get photographs.

Yours respectfully, C. W. HILL, Acton, Dec. 5, 1876.

ONTARIO SADDLERY, ACTON.

The subscriber takes this opportunity of thanking his numerous customers for the very liberal patronage given him for 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 work can be done for.

Repairing Done with Neatness COLLARS A SPECIALTY. R. CREECH, Acton, Feb. 14, 1877.

LIST OF MUSIC BOOKS

Sold wholesale and retail by John Anderson Bookseller, Guelph.

Burrows' Pianoforte Primer. Jousse's Musical Catechism. Bertini's New Method for the Piano. Clarke's New Method for the Piano. Hunt's Piano Forte School. Howe's Piano without a Master. Richardson's New Modern School. Giltner's Parlor Organ. Silver Wreath (Vocal). 108 different Music Books.

A Big Discount on all MUSIC BOOKS AT ANDERSON'S CHEAP BOOKSTORE

On the East side of Wyndham Street, GUELPH, ACTON

PLANING MILLS AND Pump, Sash, Door and Blind Factory.

THOMAS EBBAGE, Manufacturer of Window Sash, Doors, Venetian Blinds, Mouldings, and other Building Requisites. Also Maker of IMPROVED SUCTION PUMPS. Lumber Planed and Dressed to order in the best manner. All work guaranteed. Acton, Jan. 1876.

TO BREEDERS.

The thoroughbred Durham Bull "Zephyr" will serve cows on the farm of the subscriber, near the Grand Trunk Station, Acton, Terms—Durham, \$3; Grades, \$2. Pedigree—Zephyr (4050) bred by F. W. Stone, Guelph, got by Imported Sheriff (29864), dam Sanspareil 10th. C. S. SMITH, Acton, Feb. 14, 1877.

THAT WONDERFUL MAN.

TRADE MARK—THE GOLDEN MAN.

Our Spring and Summer Stock MILLINERY DEPARTMENT

Is now fully in and opened up.

BOTTOM PRICES ARE ONLY ASKED.

ATTRACTIVE STOCK OF SILKS.

An attractive stock of Black Silks all prices, all qualities, and at prices that are below anything in the trade. We have an immense variety of Colored Dress Silks in plain and broad, and our prices are amazingly cheap. Beautiful Brocaded Silks at 60 cents per yard.

Fancy Dress Goods Department.

In this Department we show the most attractive goods in the town. Indeed our variety of styles, colors, fabrics and prices, cannot fail to meet the approbation of all.

MANTLES AND JACKETS.

We show some of the prettiest goods in this line to be found, and it will be to the advantage of every lady requiring the newest styles in material and make to pay us a visit. Our stock of Mantles and Jackets consists of Black Silk, plain Black Cloth, Black Matalasso Cloth, Cashmere Cloth. The above are all this season's importations, and really beautiful goods.

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WE REQUEST AN EARLY CALL.

When we feel confident that the utmost satisfaction will be given to our patrons. We may mention that we do not offer old stuff or bankrupts' stock.

Our Goods are all New and Sound.

JOHN HOGG & SON, Alma Block, Upper Wyndham Street, Guelph.

May 23, 1877

BARGAINS BARGAINS.

Having during the past week, taken advantage of

The Immense Slaughter Sales at Toronto, are enabled to offer the

CHEAPEST LOT OF SEASONABLE GOODS

Ever Brought into Acton.

All new, fresh, and comprising this Spring's Importations.

Instance the following:

3127 yards of American Prints at 5c, worth 9c.

2113 yards of American Prints at 8c, worth 10c.

1000 yards of English Prints at 10c, worth 16c.

100 dozen Canada Straw Hats at 5c.

40 dozen Sunshades, 10c up.

60 dozen Kid Gloves, very choice, worth \$1.25, for 80c.

Dress Goods from 10c up.

Parasols at all prices.

OUR MILLINERY ROOM

Is now complete with all the novelties of the season, at our popular low cash prices.

Call Early and Secure Bargains.

TERMS CASH AND SMALL PROFITS.

CHRISTIE, HENDERSON & CO., Acton, April 20, 1877.

AT IT AGAIN.

The subscriber having bought the stock of Goods from the creditors of George Yeman, of the Post Office Store, Acton, on very favorable terms, would now announce to his old customers and others that he is again ready and willing to serve them with any quantity of first-class Groceries, Provisions, Crockery, &c.

at a considerable discount from former prices.

Trusting that by strict personal attention to business, and keeping at all times a fresh and well assorted stock of goods, to be able to give the utmost satisfaction and secure the patronage of all his old customers and many new ones.

By doing business on the only sure and satisfactory basis of strictly cash or trade, he will be able to offer extraordinary inducements to his customers.

Soliciting a call and a continuance of past favors,

I am respectfully,

JAMES MATTHEWS, Acton, May 16, 1877.

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