

GRAND TRUCK TIME TABLE. Trains leave Acton as follows: Night Express, 1.03 a.m.; Toronto mail, 8.10 a.m.; Day Express, 1.53 p.m.; Express, 3.17 p.m.; East mixed, 7.37 p.m.

Service in the Methodist Church every Sabbath evening at half-past six o'clock; and both morning and evening on the first Sabbath of each month. Rev. R. H. Jones, Pastor.

LOCAL MATTERS. Sewing and Birthday presents in Fancy Goods and Jewellery all the year round at Geo. Hynds Jewellery Store, Acton, Call.

Go and hear Watson. Beans at McGarvin's. School Board meets Monday evening.

"Bonns" is all the talk in town just now. Watson will be here Monday evening, sure.

Cabbage Seed at McGarvin's. Salmonville beat Milton at checkers lately.

Our merchants are beginning to get in their spring goods. Tip-top all wool tweeds at 62 1/2 cents at Rye and McNab's.

Mr. J. A. Murray has quit clerking in Matthews' store. Buy your Garden and Flower Seeds by weight at McGarvin's.

Last week this village was besieged by half-a-dozen insurance agents. The "oldest inhabitant" says this is the queerest winter he ever seen.

We have been informed that frost has been over three feet deep this winter.

A number of farmers in this neighborhood intend moving to Manitoba this spring.

The base ball season will soon commence. Are the Acton boys going to organize a club?

Mrs. Samuel Speight, of this village, is moving to her country residence for the summer.

Mr. James McGuire has purchased the hotel business of the late John Macey, for \$2500.

Messrs. Crawford Bros. have been selected to erect the new Georgetown Town Hall.

The Acton checker players are practicing nearly every evening. They are the champions of the county.

B. I. K. Rine, the temperance advocate, has decided to retire from public speaking until after his trial.

Get your Horse Bills printed at the Free Press office. We have a good assortment of cuts to choose from.

Lettuce Seed at McGarvin's. The merchants of this Village are at present thinking of forming a society to do away with the credit system.

Mr. Robt. Gallo way has been entering from a heaving thumb, which was caused by being struck with a sword.

Messrs. P. S. Armstrong & A. Brown intend shortly going into the dairy business, and purpose shipping milk to Toronto.

Parties wishing to go to Manitoba and all points west can get Tickets and every information at the G. T. R. office.

Mr. J. B. Watson, having recovered from his late illness, will lecture in the Temperance Hall, Acton, on Monday evening next.

SOMETHING ASTONISHING.—Those cuts made to order in the latest style, and best material, nobby and durable for \$11.00, at Rye & McNab's.

Mrs. Swan will give the Band Boys a social on Wednesday evening next. Lovers of Brass music should turn out and assist the boys.

Acton Division, Sons of Temperance intend having another Open Division on Tuesday evening, 9th of April, in the Temperance Hall.

Misses Bell & Stone announce by advertisement in another column that they have commenced dressmaking at Mrs. Stone's residence, John St.

During the past winter a horse collar and parts of harness together with other articles, have been stolen from the farm of Mrs. S. Speight. She will be obliged to any person who will return them.

Last Friday, two men, both having performing bears, paid this Village a visit, and amused some of our young folks by their antics. A collection was taken up at the close of the performance.

We are requested to state that last Sunday evening was rather too cold for the young gens and ladies to promenade. We don't know whether it was or not, but we merely mention it as an item of news.

Mr. J. E. McGarvin, druggist, has, of late, been making very extensive improvements in his drug store. In the dispensing department he has had a number of shelves and cupboards arranged in which to hold his large stock of goods. He has also had a fine blind put up in his front window, which was painted by R. H. Jones & Co. The entire improvements will cost upwards of \$50.

Tomato Seed at McGarvin's. We have a large quantity of waste paper on hand, suitable for wrapping purposes, which we will sell cheap.

We were told a few days ago, by a gentleman in the Credit Valley Railway office, that they are daily expecting to hear that Wm. Lashlaw has concluded the purchase of steel rails for the entire line. If he is successful in this, he says work will be commenced in May.—Champion.

NEW SPRING MILLINERY.—Christie, Henderson & Co., have pleasure in intimating that their stock of Millinery is now coming to hand. The greatest care has been exercised in selecting only what is choice and decidedly new. The Ladies can depend on getting the latest and the nicest. This branch will be superintended by persons thoroughly experienced and who have just come from the centres of fashion. No fancy prices for Millinery. The ladies will please remember this.

Owing to their largely increasing business, the Guelph Mercury has found it necessary to procure an entire new outfit for the office, and last week, the paper was presented to its readers in an entirely new dress. The Mercury has been receiving favor among the general public, and, in addition, the new departure will bring its noble reward. The Mercury is now one of the best and most widely circulated papers west of Toronto.

Onion Seed at McGarvin's. On Sunday morning last, Mrs. Edward Jones, of this Village, met with rather a severe accident. It appears that she went to one of the outside doors of her house and reached for something outside with her left hand, having hold of the door frame with her right. A gust of wind caused the door to slam on her hand, taking the first finger of the right hand clean off at the first joint. Dr. McGarvin dressed the finger, and Mrs. Jones is doing as well as can be expected.

It is pleasing to note with what commendable enterprise Mr. Jas. Byder has gone about the erection of another place of business. The fire of his former premises had hardly been extinguished before he took steps to erect a temporary shop. Exactly one week after the fire, he had erected a substantial blacksmith shop and was moving into it. He has had a stable beside the blacksmith shop fitted up as a carpenter shop, and things around there are about as lively looking as ever.

The summer session of the Ontario Agricultural College, at Guelph, commences on April 16, at which time there will be vacancies for 20 additional pupils. The college is now thoroughly equipped, and a full knowledge of all that pertains to the tilling of the soil, and the raising of cattle, horses and the smaller domestic animals, can here be acquired. Applications made to Wm. Johnson, president, will secure a circular, giving full information regarding terms, courses, etc. Applications will be received until 12th April.

Beet Seed at McGarvin's. At the last regular meeting of Acton Division, Sons of Temperance, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

Bro. H. Cameron, W.P. T. Albert Moore, W.A. Fred Ross, R.S. Sister Clara Speight, A.F.S. Hattie Speight, F.S. Bro. Ben. Nisbet, Treas. R. B. Cook, Chap. Bro. Warren, Jr., Con. Sister Annie Waldo, A. Con. Bro. D. Kelley, L.S. Alex. Waldie, O.S.

All the members are requested to be present next Tuesday evening, at 7.30 o'clock, as the very interesting ceremony of installation of officers will be performed.

Mr. Waldie's sale of farm stock and implements on Friday last, was well attended. The following are the names of some of the purchasers and prices received for thorough-bred stock: Cow, "Rock Rose," to Mr. S. Smith, Acton, for \$170; "Red Rose," to S. Smith, for \$39; "Rock Rose II," to S. Smith, for \$72; "Rock Rose IV," to C. S. Smith, Acton, for \$39; "Rock Rose V," to C. S. Smith, for \$43.50; "Duchess of Kent," to Mr. F. W. Stone, Guelph, for \$65; "Lady Mar," to Mr. Wilson, Trafalgar, for \$67; Bull, "Duke of Kent," to Mr. Alex. Stewart, Eramosa, for \$150; Bull, "Young Audley," to Mr. Alex. Isaby, Acton, for \$35. The farm was not sold.

A gentleman residing in Guelph who states that he has not failed in his weather predictions for the last eighteen years, intends trying to successfully compete with Vennor, who has been so far astray during the past season. He writes as follows regarding the changes that will occur in the weather during the next three months: "The spring, in my opinion, a very difficult spring to deal with; owing to the present unsettled state of the weather. Throughout the ensuing three months, from appearances, the weather will be favorable for farming purposes. We will probably have a few thunderstorms during this period, and those that we will have I locate in the beginning of June. In the fore part of the spring we will have light rains from the west or south. We are likely to have light drizzle or showers from the north in the latter part of March and the former part of April. The fore part of June is likely to be the wettest portion of the three months. I am inclined to think that the prevailing winds will be from the west and south. In concluding, I would say that it is a good sign to see the change in the position of the wind, which has generally been about south-west for the last six months."—Mercury.

Cucumber Seed at McGarvin's. We have for sale one of Beatty's celebrated Pianos that will be disposed of at a great bargain. For particulars apply at this office.

Our P. D. respectfully submits these lines for the consideration of certain saucy girls: "Belle Duke," Red. Two years old. "Sire—3rd Duke of Springwood; Dam—Maggie Duke, by Constance's Duke, &c. Can be seen on the farm adjoining the G. T. Railway. 36-1 C. S. SMITH, Acton.

Years rolled along, and the sweet little became an old sorrowful maid. She lived like a queen—was rich, but alas! Her beauty had all decayed. Once again they met, and the old maid tried To recall the former issue, But he gaily smiled, and only replied, "This devil won't wouldn't kiss you."

Always full of customers, and always busy, in fact, they are doing about as well as any business done at Second's New Store that we know of. Indeed, it is more so, for they have their Store packed from end to end, and piled up along the side of the street doors for a block or so, with every conceivable thing in their line from the rarest and choicest foreign Fruits and delicacies, gathered in those far off Eastern Countries, Southern Seas, and Tropical Climes, where sublimated nature, where niggers fry out at 120°, where whitties are created by a process of nature, where rich man harras call for \$2.00 per barrel, Tea sold at 50 cents, and where good fat misadventures (that don't use Tobacco) are esteemed the choicest luxury when served at La Cannibal Isles, from all these things down to the commonest as well as the choicest home products, such as Fish at \$2.00 per barrel, Dry Apples, Dry Peaches, Dry Cherries, Honey, Maple Molasses, Hams, Bacon, Flour, Meal, Cheese, &c., &c. And to please the eye and cheer the bosoms of their customers they have just purchased a large lot of choice House Plants and Flowers, but more of this anon. We are afraid to speak of the prices they are selling all kinds of crockery at, which are so low that it is almost incredible, but, just go and see. But also take too much money with you, for if you do, you will be sure to spend it all when you see the goods and hear the prices.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

LEGAL. Having altered my intention of removing from Georgetown, I beg to intimate to my friends and the public generally that I will continue the practice of my profession at my present office, Mill street, Georgetown.

J. D. MATHESON, Georgetown, March 6th, 1878. 36-22

SHORT-HORN BULL FOR SALE. "Belle Duke," Red. Two years old. Sire—3rd Duke of Springwood; Dam—Maggie Duke, by Constance's Duke, &c. Can be seen on the farm adjoining the G. T. Railway. 36-1 C. S. SMITH, Acton.

Barber and Hairdresser, adjoining Second Bro's Store, Mill Street, Acton. Hair switches and combings prepared to order.

Those wishing to have a shave or hair cut had better call early, as Acton will soon be minus a barber.

TO THE PUBLIC OF ALL NATIONS. If you desire a good Auctioneer try GEORGE GIBBS. He understands his business. Nuff said. Address Hillsburg P. O. 29-6th.

NOTICE. The undersigned begs leave to announce to Farmers, and others, engaged in butter making, who purchase butter in bulk, that he has a good quantity of butter on hand, and is prepared to sell it at a low price.

D. L. McDONALD, Auctioneer, Hillsburg P. O.

DRY PACKING HOUSE. The subscriber has always on hand all kinds of fresh Meat, Sausages and Poultry, cheap. CHAS. CAMERON, Acton, Dec. 12th 1877. 23-3m

Seeds, Seeds, Garden and Flower SEEDS.

J. E. MCGARVIN'S DRUG STORE.

Is now going on at THE GOLDEN LION GUELPH.

In a few weeks Stocktaking will begin, and by that time, if Cheap Prices WILL DO IT, We will not have a single piece of Heavy Goods left.

5,000 YARDS OF NEW AND FASHIONABLE DRESS GOODS, TWEEDES, BLANKETS, &c., &c. Purchased at a Discount of 33 per cent. The lot was detained in transit by cable hence the large sacrifice. These goods are cheaper than have been offered for years, and could not be replaced. NO FAMILY SHOULD BUY THEM.

Winter DRY GOODS before they see our immense stock of New and Fashionable Goods.

THE POST OFFICE Cash Store ACTON.

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PLOW FACTORY OPENED. The subscriber, having purchased the Acton Plow Works, is prepared to furnish Single and Double Frame Iron Plows, as well as the Boss Gang Plow, which has gained the reputation of being the best Gang Plow made, at the usual rates. All repairs done on the shortest notice and at the cheapest prices.

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PEACE PROCLAIMED Sales extraordinary at the NEW DRY GOODS HOUSE ACTON. Everybody satisfied. JAMES SYMON would return his thanks to his numerous friends for the very liberal support they have accorded him, and begs to inform them that he has this week made large additions to his Stock of extraordinary low priced goods. A word to the wise—Synon's cheap goods tell their own story—All accounts—No bad debts—No discounts—Every purchaser their own judge—Come out early in the day, and come often—It will pay you to come twice a day—James Symon's invites special attention of intending purchasers—Friends—Customers—And Strangers to the following Departments: DRESS GOODS, FLANNELS &c., TWEEDES AND GENTS FURNISHINGS, COTTONS &c., FANCY DEPARTMENT.

Read This! SPRING, 1878. A GRAND FINAL CLEARANCE Christie Henderson & Co. STOCK COMPLETE DRESS GOODS Rich Choice and Cheap. In a few weeks Stocktaking will begin, and by that time, if Cheap Prices WILL DO IT, We will not have a single piece of Heavy Goods left.

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