AUTUMN.

Now knock the nuts from off the trees,
And stow them in the barn;
And shear the chickens and the geese,
And spin your winter's yarn.
Dig up your outside windows soon
And train them to the wall;
Put on the rubber mouldings, too,
And the storm door withal.
Your cellar floor with coal now dress
And sharpen up your axe;
Your name put on the voting list,
And promptly pay your tax.
And when the winter's storm shall rage,
And snow and hail shall roam,
Just spread your evenings with your wife;
And read her the news at home.

[You will find the news in the FREE PRESS, Only $1.00 per year in advance.]

Acton Church Directory.

METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA.
Services—Sunday, Preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 6.30 p. m. Class after morning service and on Thursday evening at 8 p. m. Sabbath School at 2.30. Prayer meetings, General—Wednesday evening 8 p.m. Young People's—Saturday evening, 7 p.m. Bible class, Friday evening, 8 p.m. REV. E. YOUNG, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN.
Services—Sunday, Preaching at 11 a.m and 6 p.m. Gaelic sermon immediately after regular morning Service. Sabbath School at 2.30 p.m. REV. D. B. CAMERON, Pastor.

CONGREGATIONAL.
Services—Sunday, Preaching at 6.30 p.m Sabbath School at 9.30 a.m. Prayer Meeting on Wednesday evening at 8 p.m.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.
SERVICE—Sunday, Preaching at 6.30 p.m Sabbath School at 2.30 p.m.
REV. C. R. LEE, Incumbent

BAPTIST.
SERVICES—Sunday, Preaching at 11 a.m and 6 p.m. Sabbath School at 3.30 p.m. Prayer Meeting on Tuesday and Friday evenings, at 8 p.m.

DISCIPLE.
SERVICES—Sunday, Preaching at 11 a.m and 6 p.m Prayer Meeting, Friday a. 8 p.m.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL.
One mile north of Corporation on Main St.
SERVICE—Sunday, Preaching at 10.30 a.m Sabbath School at 2.30 p.m.

CATHOLIC.
One mile south west of Corporation on 1st con.
SERVICES—Fourth Sunday in each month at 10 a.m Sunday School at 1 p.m every Sunday.
REV. FATHER DeMORTIER.

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THURSDAY MORNING, Oct. 2, 1879.

REFORM NEEDED.

We have arrived at that delicate period of civilization when we must all dress in a mode and when it is difficult to tell which is the duchess and which is the young girl whose father earns but six or eight dollars a week, they dress so much alike. Dress, if it has not already become a passion in the female breast, is fast becoming so. Dress must be had at whatever cost, and the Paris fashions must be followed. No matter how sensible a young girl is in every other respect she (in the majority of instances) loses her head underneath a costly bonnet, as she must be in the fashion. It is useless to appeal to poor people to reform in the matter, it must come from the higher class, for so long as our present artificial civilization continues the poor will imitate the rich, especially on this free continent where one man is as good as another, if not as wealthy. If the rich then would effect a change it would become general, much to the profit of the country and to the increase of happiness in thousands upon thousands of poor families. Ladies should inaugurate the movement themselves, as the reform would ultimately rebound to their advantage. At the present time many an accomplished girl, capable of managing a home, and making a husband happy, has to remain single for the reason that a man of small salary is afraid to ask her in marriage. This state of things is not confined to a particular class, it extends through all, the man of two or three thousand dollars being as too poor for this reason as he of five hundred a year. The Princess Louise is setting an excellent example to the ladies of Canada in many ways. Not the least potent of the influences which she is likely to exert here for good will be through her marked simplicity and want of ostentation in dress. She is showing her Canadian sisters that the true charms and the noblest graces of woman do not need the flimsy accessories of costly dress to bring them out, and that true refinement and the highest culture need no aid from silks and satins. If the ladies of Canadian society would more generally follow the good example of the Princess many unhappy fathers and husbands would never become prematurely grey and the financial distress would be less keenly felt by not a few.

Esquesing Exhibition.

The Esquesing fall show was held in Georgetown on Tuesday 30th ult. The weather was exceedingly fine, and the large crowd of visitors present seemed to enjoy it. The show of stock and farm implements was very good, but the majority of classes in the Hall were incomplete, many not being represented at all. The attendance was very good, but they grew impatient before the judges had completed their work, it having been 4 o'clock before they commenced their duties. Among the exhibitors of stock Mr. G. W. Moore, Acton, took prizes in Hack Horse in harness and Saddle Horse, Messrs. A. and W. Waldie were foremost in the Leicester and Lincoln classes of Sheep, John Shaw took first prize for Farmer's Wreath, and second prize for Honey. Mr. A. Brown received first prize for thoroughbred Cow giving milk, and Mr. C. Swackhammer several prizes for Grain. Special mention should be made of the exhibit of Dr. Roe, Georgetown, a fountain and aquarium, which received the highest praise of all. The Free Press received first prizes for fine and coarse printing. Four of the first prize takers and several of the second in the heavy draught horses exhibited were sired by John Duff's "Duke of Argyle."

It is expected that the show will be held in Acton next year and we feel confident if it is that our people will do their best to make it a complete success.

PRIZE LIST.

HORSES, Heavy draughts—C. Brown J. Clark D. Little. Two year old Gelding or Filly, C. Brown J. Early. General purpose, C. Brown Halmer Bros. A. Neilson. Brood Mare, John Wrigglesworth A. Neilson J. Fleming. Two year old entire, J. Clark J. Hume. One year old entire, E. Nixon G. Wrigglesworth. Two year old Gelding or Filly, A. Stark R. Stewart. One year old Gelding or Filly, W. Brown W. Newton. Spring Colt, J. Wrigglesworth H. A. Reid. Roadsters. — Carriage Horses, J. Brownridge E. W. Devereaux Jas. Wetherell. Carriage Horse, Richard Graham, G. W. Moore. Hack Horse in harness, J. McIntosh T. Clark J. Wetherell. Saddle Horse, G.W. Moore J. Hume, sr. Brood Mare, M. Howson H. Mullen W. Newton. Two year old Gelding or Filly, T. Black A. & T. Aikens. One year old Gelding or Filly, T. Black J. Brownridge. Spring Colt, M. Howson H. Mullen.

CATTLE.—Thorough-bred.—Cow giving milk, A. Brown, J. & G. Hardy J. S. Bessey. Two year old Heifer, Jas. Early J. Miller. One year old Heifer, J. S. Bessey. Heifer Calf, H.G. Hardy W. Frazer. Bull, J. Early. Two year old Bull, J. Bradley W. Wilson. Bull Calf, W. Wilson, Bull, any age. W. Wilson. Ayrshires.—Cow, J. B. Bessey. Bull, J. B. Bessey, extra. Grades—Cow, giving milk, J. S. Bessey J. Wrigglesworth J. Evens. Three year old Cow, J. Barber McLeod, Anderson & Co. Two year old Heifer, A. Stark J. Miller. One year old Heifer, J. Barber J. Aiken. Heifer Calf, J. Early J. Clark. Working Oxen, J. & G. Hardy W. Devereaux. Three year old Steers in yoke, J. Clark. Fat Beast, W. Frazer, J. Miller.

SHEEP.—Leicester.—Ram, A. Waldie, Shearling Ram, S. Mason. Ram Lamb, H. A. Wilson W. Wilson. Two Ewes, G. Wrigglesworth W. Waldie. Two shearling Ewes, W. Waldie W. A. Wilson. Two Ewe Lambs, A. Waldie W. Waldie. South Downs.—Shearling Ram, S. Mason. Ram Lamb, S. Mason W. Wilson. Two Ewes, A. Stark S. Mason. Two Shearling Ewes, W. Wilson S. Mason. Two Ewe Lambs, A. Stark S. Mason. Fat Sheep A. Stark W. Wilson. Best Ram, (any age or breed) W. Waldie. Cotswolds —Best Ram, A. Stark. Shearling Ram, J. Early W. Wilson. Ram Lamb, W. Wilson A. Stark. Two Ewes, W Wilson. Two Shearling Ewes, W. Wilson. Two Ewe Lambs, W. Wilson J. Early.

PIGS.—Large Breed.—Boar, H. Huffman. Sow, D. Little. Sow, (under 1 year), H. Huffman. Small Breed.—Boar, W. Wilson E. Nixon. Boar, (under 1 year), S. Mason W. Wilson. Sow, D. B. McNair E. Nixon. Sow, (under 1 year). D. B. McNair.

POULTRY.—Pair Chickens, Dr. McCullough L. Rose. Brahmas, D. Hill Dr. McCullough. Chickens, D. Hill Dr. McCullough. Cochins, J. Clark. Chickens, J. & T. Hewson. Spanish, J. Holmes W. McLeod. Chickens, W. Snyder. Common Geese, Dr. McCullough Dr. McCullough. Turkeys, S. Mason, R. Noble. Rowan Ducks, W. Leslie J. & T. Hewson. Aylesbury Ducks, T. Bell J. & T. Hewson. Common Ducks, T. Bell F. Ruddle.

GRAIN.—Deihl Wheat, D. Cross G. Yemen. Seneca Wheat, J. Marshall A. Wilson, J. Wrigglesworth. Treadwell Wheat J. H. Nixon C. Swackhammer W. Snyder, other Winter Wheat, J. Marshall T. Ruddle D. Cross. Spring Wheat, H. Huffman C. Swackhammer W. Wilson. Small Peas, T. Ruddle R. Anthony. White Oats, J. Clark, T. Ruddle. Black Oats, H. A. Reid W. Snyder. Barley, J. Brownridge T. Black. Indian Corn, W. A. Wilson R. A. Reid.

ROOTS, VEGETABLES AND FRUITS.—Potatoes, H. A. Reid R. A. Reid. Field Carrots, T. Black R. Stewart. Swede Turnips, J. Bradley F. Ruddle. Other Turnips, J. Barber, sr. Beets, J. & G. Hardy J. Hunter. Onions, Dr. McCullough J. F. Brown. Mangold Wurtzel, J. Early Dr. McCullough. Celery, H. A. Reid Dr. Freeman. Cauliflowers, Dr. Roe. Pumpkins, J. Clark W. Leslie. Tomatoes, H. A. Reid C. Swackhammer. Apples, Jas. Bradley, T. Black A. Neilson. Fall Apples, J. T. Brown A. Neilson. Winter Apples, T. Black H. Huffman. Black Grapes, J. Barber A. Neilson. White Grapes, T. Ruddle. Pears, S. Phillips. Bottled Fruit, D. Cross, W. Hoare. Mixed Pickles, D. Cross H. A. Reid. Home-made Wine, A. Neilson. Home-made Bread, S. Mason T. Bell. Salt-yeast Bread, A. Neilson W. Snyder. Honey in comb, J. Fraser J. Shaw. Hops, D. Cross.

DAIRY.—Home-made Cheese, A. Stark. Butter, A. Neilson D. Cross W. Frazer S. Mason. Firkin Butter, W. Frazer A. Stark A. Neilson A. Cook.

DOMESTIC.—Manufactured Implements, Harness, Leather, etc.—Team Harness, J. & T. Hewson. Carriage Harness, J. & T. Hewson E. Gollop. Single Harness, J. & T. Hewson E. Gollop. Men's Sewed Boots, D. C. Watson. Men's Pegged Boots, D. C. Watson D. C. Watson. Women's Boots (hand made), D. C. Watson. Upper Leather, D. Cross. Sole Leather, D. Cross. White Flannel, S. Mason. Top Buggy, Culp & McKenzie, recommended. Open Buggy, Culp & McKenzie. T. Bell. Lumber Wagon, T. Bell McKenzie & Hamshaw. Market Wagon, W. R. Brown, T. Bell. Iron Plough, A. Grieve. Other Plough, A Grieve McKinnon. Reaping, Turnip Scuffler, McKenzie Iron Harrow, McKenzie & Hamshaw. T. Bell. Gang Plough H. W. King. Set Horse Shoes, McKinnon & Ramshaw, recommended.

LADIES' WORK.—Made in 1879.—Patchwork Quilt, M. Howson Wm. Hoare. Fancy Work Quilt, M. Howson Mrs. S. Mason. Fancy Wool Work on canvas, Dr. Freeman J. Hunter. Embroidery on muslin, Mrs. Ramshaw Miss Reid. Embroidery on cotton, Mrs. Ramshaw Miss Reid. Embroidery on Silk, J. Hunter Miss Reid. Ornamental Needlework, Miss Reid D. McColl. Crotchet Work, H. McKay Dr. Freeman. Tatting, D. McColl Miss Reid, Woolen Stockings, Mrs. S. Mason A. Neilson. Woolen Socks, D. B. McNair A. Neilson. Darned Socks, Mrs. S. Mason. Woolen Mitts, G. Chisholm D. B. McNair. Sofa Cushion, Mrs. S. Mason W. Hoare. Farmers' Wreath, J. Shaw.

FINE ARTS.—Painting in Water Colors, R. W. King. Canvas Drawing, Miss Reid R. W. King. Printing, (Fine Work), Acton Free Press. Printing, (Posters), Acton Free Press. Table Bouquet, D. Cross J. Barber. Hand Bouquet, D. Cross, Dr. Freeman. Greenhouse Plants, Dr. Roe J. G. Hatley.

GRAND TRUNK COLLISION.

Two Locomotives and Twelve Cars Destroyed.

A number of other cars smashed.

A TRAMP BADLY INJURED.

A disastrous collision occurred about four o'clock on Friday afternoon, midway between Guelph and Rockwood, on the Grand Trunk Railway. A freight train left Guelph, and the conductor and engine driver, thinking the up train had not left Rockwood, went speeding along to reach the latter station before the departure of the train for the west. The collision occurred near what is called the half way bridge, opposite Malone's tavern, York Road. The engine driver of the freight first discovered smoke apparently issuing in the direction of the track, and saw, when too late, the up train advancing upon him. Along this part of the line there is a bad curve which prevents the engineers from discerning each other. As quick as lightning the engineers, brakemen, and conductors of both trains did their best to bring their engines to a standstill, but all to no purpose. To prevent a collision was an impossibility, and the drivers, stokers, conductors, and brakemen leaped from the trains to escape what might have been fatal injuries. The speed at which the trains were going caused one of the worst wrecks that has ever occurred on this division of the road. The force was so great that it caused an explosion of one of the boilers, and the smokestack of the down train was blown fully two hundred yards from the scene of the catastrophe. In fact, the engines were rendered totally useless, and various portions of the wreck are scattered in all directions. Some of the cars were loaded with coal oil, which ignited, and, together with the fire from the engines, caused several cars to catch fire, which were quickly consumed, and 10 cars were totally destroyed. Two of the cars were loaded with flour, one with crockery, and one with coal oil, some barrels of which were got out without damage. Most of the flour was saved, but the crockery was completely smashed. Several other cars were damaged to a great extent, and the contents were scattered along the track. In connection with this catastrophe, a tramp who had stolen a ride from Guelph, was standing on the buffers at the time of the accident, which jammed him so tightly between the cars that it was necessary to have a portion of the end of one of them cut to relieve him of his dangerous, and probably fatal, position. The ribs of the left side were crushed into his lungs, and there is little hopes of his recovery. Crowds of people flocked to the scene of the accident during the afternoon. The intense heat of the burning cars prevented the men from removing any of the obstacles. During the afternoon the passenger trains east and west had to transfer their passengers and baggage between Guelph and Rockwood.

A misunderstanding regarding signals is said to have been the primary cause of the accident.

THE CRADLE.

In Acton, on the 27th ult., the wife of Dr. Lowry, of a son.

In Esquesing, on the 24th ult., the wife of Mr. H. Caley, of a daughter.

In Esquesing, on the 26th ult., the wife of Mr. A. McPherson, of a daughter.

ACTON MARKETS.

Flour	$2 75	to	$ 2 75
White wheat	1 05	to	1 07
Treadwell	1 07	to	1 09
Spring Wheat, (Glasgow	0 90	to	0 95
Red chaff	0 85	to	0 90
Oats	0 30	to	0 00
Peas	0 55	to	0 60
Barley	0 50	to	0 60
Eggs, per doz	0 09	to	0 10
Butter, dairy packed	0 09	to	0 10
Butter, rolls	0 11	to	0 12
Potatoes, per bag	0 40	to	0 50
Sheepskins	0 50	to	0 75
Hides, per cwt	4 00	to	4 50
Hay, per ton	6 00	to	8 00
Apples, per bag	0 50	to	0 75
Wool	0 18	to	0 20
Dressed hogs	6 00	to	6 00

GUELPH MARKETS.

White Wheat,	$1 05	to	$1 06
Treadwell	1 08	to	1 09
Spring Wheat, (Glasgow)	0 95	to	1 00
Red Chaff	0 95	to	0 99
Oats	0 29	to	0 30
Peas	0 58	to	0 60
Barley	0 50	to	0 58
Eggs, per doz	0 09	to	0 10
Butter, dairy packed	0 10	to	0 12
Butter, rolls	0 14	to	0 16
Potatoes per bag	0 40	to	0 50
Sheepskins	0 50	to	0 75
Hides, per cwt	5 00	to	5 50
Wood, per load	3 50	to	4 00
Hay, per ton	7 00	to	8 50
Straw, per load	3 00	to	4 00
Wool	0 18	to	0 20
Dressed Hogs	6 00	to	7 00

NEW STORE. NEW GOODS.
DRY GOODS AND GROCERIES
The undersigned has just opened a staple Dry Goods and General Grocery Store, in the stand opposite Dr. McGarvin's residence,
MILL STREET, ACTON, ONT.
—A stock of—
NEW DRY GOODS AND FRESH FAMILY GROCERIES
Has just been opened and will be sold at reasonable prices.
A share of the patronage of the residents of Acton is respectfully solicited.
B. HASLETT
Sept. 16, 79.-tf.

STOVES! STOVES!
CHEAP,

AT J. C. HILL'S.
A Large Stock of all kinds of STOVES just received—manufactured of the best quality of Iron—The finest finish and the most handsome Stove in the market.
COOK STOVES
of all sizes at the very lowest prices.
A well selected stock of
TINWARE,
ALWAYS ON HAND.
EAVESTROUGHING & ORDERED WORK ARE SPECIALITIES.
and will be executed on the shortest notice.
COAL OIL,
a good stock of superior quality, cheap.
COME AND SEE for YOURSELVES.
J. C. HILL.
September 16th, 1879.

MILLINERY STORE RE-OPENED.
THE SUBSCRIBER TAKES PLEASURE in stating that she will re-open her
Millinery Show Rooms,
—ON—
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1st, 1879.
with a choice lot of Millinery—all new goods—which will be sold as cheap as the cheapest.
MANTLE AND DRESSMAKING
in connection with the Millinery Department.
STORE.—On Main St., in the premises formerly occupied by Mr J. H. Smith, as a furniture store.
Miss C. Smith.
Acton, Sept. 23, 79. 1-3m

New Boot & Shoe Shop
W. WILLIAMS WOULD RESPECTFULLY intimate to the people of Acton and vicinity that he has opened a Boot & Shoe shop in the building opposite W. H. Storey's Glove Works, on MILL STREET, ACTON.
Any one in want of a substantial and good fitting
BOOT OR SHOE,
should not fail to leave their order at his stand
Repairing a Specialty and promptly attended to.
W. WILLIAMS.
Acton, Sept 2, 1879.

SCOTT & BOWNE'S
PALATABLE CASTOR OIL
Is prepared in a form peculiarly agreeable to children and most sensitive persons: all its manufacture and the properties of the oil of this product in and of spring are eliminated, and it is rendered not only mild and pleasant in its action, but absolutely tasteless and palatable. It is pre-eminently the finest laxative and cathartic known, and as a remedy for dyspepsia, Constipation, and all Intestinal Derangements it is unequalled, and is destined to take the place of crude oil and all drastic pills and purgatives. For sale by all Druggists at 25 cents a bottle. Don't fail to try it.

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any body can learn to make money rapidly operating in Stocks. By the new Puts, Calls and Straddles, in Stocks, Lawrence & Co's new circular explains the combination method, which this firm has made so successful, enables people with large or small means to reap all the benefits of large capital and best of skill. Thousands of orders from every State are pouring in daily, which are executed with the utmost promptness, and the combined capital of the whole system operated for all. Success is certain. Circular sent free. Address Lawrence & Co., Bankers, 57 Exchange Place, N. Y.

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&c., &c.,
CHEAP
AT THE
POST OFFICE STORE
ACTON.
JAS. MATTHEWS.
Acton, Feb. 26, 1878.

NEW FALL HATS.
STOCK COMPLETE.
Layard, Richmond, Newport, Baron, Lyttleton, Premier, Hartington, Rolla Post and Traveller.
SHAW & MURTON,
Merchant Tailors,
Guelph.
Guelph, Sept. 17, 1879.

GREAT
Bargains
BARGAINS!
NEW BLACK SILKS CHEAP.
NEW BLACK CASHMERES CHEAP.
NEW WHITE COTTONS CHEAP.
NEW SHIRTINGS CHEAP.
NEW GRAY COTTONS CHEAP.
NEW MUSLIN EMBROIDERY CHEAP.
NEW WHITE COTTON QUILTS CHEAP.
NEW TWEEDS, TWEEDS CHEAP.
NEW DRESS SHIRTS CHEAP.
NEW TIES AND SCARFS CHEAP.
NEW CORSETS CHEAP.
NEW KID GLOVES CHEAP.
NEW TABLE LINENS CHEAP.
NEW TOWELLINGS CHEAP.
AT
Wm. Stewart & Co's
CHEAP STORE,
GUELPH.
McCARTNEY'S

Golden Lion,
GUELPH.
WE HAVE OPENED OVER 300 PACKAGES OF
FALL GOODS,
Imported either direct, or purchased principally from Manufacturers in this country, and we are safe in saying that
OUR STOCK OF DRY GOODS,
Is Equalled by very few in Ontario. We show grand value in
Colored Dress Goods, from 10c. up.
FANCY DRESS GOODS in New and Fashionable Material.
BLACK AND COLORED SILKS, 20 per cent below regular prices.
PLAIN, BROCADED, and SATIN STRIPED VELVETEENS, all shades.
SHAWLS & MANTLES, New Designs.
MILLINERY GOODS—Lovely Styles, all the novelties.
MANTLE CLOTHS, and HEAVY BEAVERS,
FLANNELS, BLANKETS, and WOOLENS,
In our Stock of CLOTHS and FANCY WINCEYS,
OVERCOATINGS, NAPS and FANCY CLOAKS;
TWEEDS in 400 different patterns.
READY-MADE SUITS & OVERCOATS, OUR OWN MAKE,
—IMMENSE VARIETY OF—
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EVERYBODY SHOULD SEE OUR
WONDERFUL $14.00 SUITS,
Sold regularly at from $18.00 to $20.00
Come to the Lion, Guelph, and
SAVE MONEY.
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AT THE
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—IF YOU WANT A—
GOOD and CHEAP SUIT OF CLOTHES
Now is the time to purchase, as we are desirous of
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Before Fall Goods arrive.
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FIRST CLASS GOODS. AND LOWEST PRICES.
Stock unequalled for new and graceful designs, utility, good workmanship, and low prices in all grades and qualities.
Buy from them—Save elegance with comfort—and save money.
Large stock No lack of choice.
Ordered work skillfully and promptly executed.
SIGN OF THE CHAIR
Hazleton Block, Upper Wyndham St.
GUELPH

JUST OPENED.
YOUNG MEN
CLIMAX
1 Case Tweed Suitings for early fall wear.
1 Case Tweed Jacketings, newest things out for early fall wear.
2 Boxes handsome Brocade Ribbons, which every lady should see.
50 Dozen lovely 2 button Kids, in every leading shade first quality.
Ladies looking for choice goods must keep their eyes on the
FASHIONABLE DRY GOODS EMPORIUM
A. O. BUCHAM.
Fashionable Wet Goods Dealer, Mantle and Millinery Establishment, Guelph.

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DYE STUFFS OF ALL KINDS AT J. E.