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Acton, Thursday, June 16, 1881.

THE TOWN HALL.

At last there appears to be some evidence that the people of Acton are waking up to the fact that a town hall is necessary, and from the largely signed petition to be presented to the council at next meeting, we would judge that they are determined to have one.

The World's Crops.

Throughout the world the prospects seem to be good for this year's harvest. In England the quantity of wheat and other crops is expected to be very good.

Worthy of Consideration.

The time has almost arrived when it will be necessary for the Trustees of the Public School to provide further school accommodation, in some way, and we would recommend for their consideration the adoption of the half-day system for the junior classes.

By the half-day system the younger pupils attend school in the forenoon or afternoon, as may be arranged for their classes. One teacher is thus able to do practically the work of two, and the experience of places that have tried this system is, that the little ones make faster progress. It is found that they can do in three hours all that is needed at their teacher's age, and while they make just as good, or better progress, they have more time for recreation.

The Grand Trunk Railway is to be improved by the expenditure of as much money as the issue of two and a half million pounds of stock will produce. Among other things, double tracks will be provided on important sections.

A London East magistrates on Monday morning entered a hotel in the village and found a family named Mills, consisting of father, mother, and three children, absolutely destitute, the only article of furniture being a chair, with a bundle of straw to lie on. Whiskey did it.

The fact that the Scott Act in Lunenburg has been set aside on the ground that the vote was taken on a nomination day, seems to be about the silliest provision that any set of sane men could have invented. We would not be surprised if a law will be enacted some of these days that a murder committed on a Sunday is not a crime because some of the Majesty's subjects were attending divine service on that day.

On Sunday thirty-six laborers' houses at the asbestos mines, township of Thetford, Que., were destroyed by fire.

SEEDS, Garden, Field and Flower

GREAT FIRE IN QUEBEC.

Fifteen Hundred Families Homeless.

One of the most disastrous fires which the unfortunate city of Quebec has been afflicted took place on Wednesday night, 8th inst. The first alarm was from the corner of St. Olivier and St. Claire streets, at ten minutes before eleven o'clock, p. m., and the fire was not under control until six o'clock the next morning.

Some idea of the extent of the disaster may be gathered from the fact that 1,500 families have been burned out. The number of houses consumed is about 800, and the total loss of property not less than two million dollars.

The London Disaster.

The Coroner's inquest into the cause of the Victoria disaster was concluded on Monday, the evidence of a large number of witnesses having been taken. An examination of the wreck was made by the jury, and a number of leakages were found in the hull.

Immediately on the conclusion of the evidence in the inquest the manager of the boat, George Perish, and the captain of the ill-fated vessel were arrested by county constable Schram and Pope on a charge of manslaughter. The information was laid by Robert A. Jones, of London West, storekeeper. He charges the defendants with the manslaughter of Eliza Jones, daughter of the informant.

THE BOAT'S CAPACITY.

The Montreal Star, in an editorial says: "The Blue Book containing the reports for 1880 of the Chairman of the Board of Steamboat Inspection, etc., has just been published. We were curious and anxious to see the rating of the ill-fated steamer Victoria, of London. At page 118 of the report we read over the name of W. J. Menielle, Steamboat Inspector, that her horse power was 8,64, her gross tonnage 43, and her registered tonnage 27 tons. Therefore we had a vessel, which would have been fairly filled by 100 persons, carrying about 600. It was highly culpable to open start with such a number on board, and there can be no excuse for the want of knowledge."

A Frightful Tragedy.

In Dade county, Georgia, at the mines, Wash. McDaniel, a murderer under sentence for life, showed a fellow convict \$20 received from home. Ike Wood, the convict, enticed McDaniel into an abandoned part of the mine and struck him with a heavy hammer, crushing his skull, but, failing to kill him, Wood then, with a large piece of slate, hammered McDaniel over the head, gashing him fearfully, but, still failing to beat life out, he then walked to where his comrades were at work and returned with a pick and drove it through the victim's leg, and into his abdomen, tearing out the entrails and breaking his arm in two places. Think McDaniel dead, the assailant rifled his pockets. Hours after McDaniel was found and restored to consciousness. He gave details of the assault.

Methodist Church of Canada.

Minutes of the Ministers and Preachers in Guelph District.

The following is the final draft of the minutes and preachers of the London Conf. since for 1881 82 for Guelph district:

Guelph, (Norfolk St.), Wm. Williams; John W. Cooley, supernumerary; Guelph, (Dublin St.), Wm. J. Maxwell, Eldon, George Huggin; Samuel Fear, supernumerary. Posenby, Ephraim H. Stephenson, R. A. Ferguson, Wm. Beyer, Galt, Robt. H. Waddell, B. D. Paxton, Frank Swann, Heseler, Francis E. Nugent, Georgetown, W. Morton; Nelson Burns, M. A., left without a station at his own request. New Hamburg, Wm. Savage, Berlin, W. J. Ford, Elmdale, Geo. W. Dean, Nassagaweya, John S. Egler. Acton, Thos. L. Wilkinson, Rockwood, John W. Freeman, B. D. Elin, Insoo Ocas, Garsfrax, R. W. Wright, Chatham, W. Williams. Fin. Sec., W. J. Maxwell.

T. L. Wilkinson, of this village, who has held the office of Journal Secretary of the Conference for the past two years was appointed Asst. Secretary.

T. A. Moore, of this village, was stationed at Belmont this year.

Facts For The People.

A. W. GREEN will pay the highest market price for any quantity of Good Dried Apples.

ICE CREAM.—By the dish or quart, fresh and pure, at Nicklin's Bakery.

—CALL and examine Hill's new stock of Frames.

—A splendid lot of Harvest Tools, Cheap, at Pearson's, Acton.

—CAKES of every description made to order at short notice at Nicklin's Bakery.

—GILT, before buying, see our Millinery, Plumes, Flowers, Ribbons, &c., & less than half price, at Milne & Co's, Georgetown.

—TALK YOURSELF and your friends, to Ice Cream, at Nicklin's Bakery.

—CROCKERY and Glassware at prices that will surprise you, at Pearson's, Acton.

—EVERYTHING cheap but butter and eggs at the Farmers Produce Market, Christie, Henderson & Co.

—LATEST designs in Photo Frames at Hill's—selling very cheap.

—LACE Curtains 75c. per set at the Egg and Butter Depot. Here you can get the famous 50c. tea. Christie, Henderson & Co.

—NAILS and Hinges, Locks, etc., at astonishingly low rates, at Pearson's, Acton.

—C. W. HILL has just opened the finest stock of Photos. Frames ever shown in Acton.

—Remember that Famous 50c. Tea, at the Egg Emporium—sold in 5lb. lots at 45 cents.—Christie, Henderson & Co.

—HATS from 75 cents to \$2.50 at J. Fyfe's.

—See our ribbons at 2c. and up, small ribbon 15c. yard and up, girls hats 6c., silk very cheap, at Milne & Co's, Georgetown.

—See our 50c. T, the best in the county, "and don't you forget it," at Pearson's, Acton.

—First class retinned pressed Milk Panz at J. C. Hill's.

—Why pay 150 cents on the dollar for goods when you can buy them at Milne & Co's, Georgetown, for 70.

—LADIES' mantles—newest styles at Christie, Henderson & Co.

—A good second hand Cook Stove cheap for cash at J. C. Hill's.

—A good Felt Hat for 75 cents at J. Fyfe's.

—CHRISTIE, Henderson & Co. are now prepared to buy all the chobut butter and fresh eggs in the townships of Nassagaweya, Eramosa, Erin and Esqueping. They will lead the market as they have always done when buying these articles of produce. Remember their 50 cent tea sold in 5lb. lots at 45 cents.

—If you want a nobby, durable and cheap suit, J. Fyfe's is the place to go.

—Cistern and Force pumps, cheap, at J. C. Hill's Store Depot.

—Look out for the great auction sale of dry goods, beginning Tuesday 14th inst., as we have to leave by the 1st July, the store having been leased to another party, remember the place. Milne & Co., Georgetown. "Don't you forget it."

—A nice lot of Bird cages just arrived, at J. C. Hill's tin shop, cheap.

—Scottish, English and Canadian Sittings in great variety, at the East End Clothing store, J. Fyfe, Acton.

—Suits and Overcoats at extremely low rates and made in latest styles. Be sure to call and see them. J. Fyfe, Acton.

—THE Egg and Butter Emporium will take all your eggs and chobut butter at highest market prices. Having contracted to supply an Industrial Institution with butter, our facilities for handling large quantities are unlimited. We want at least one ton per week. Have you tried our famous 50c. tea? Christie, Henderson & Co.

—Milne & Co., Georgetown, intend remanaging a few weeks longer, to close out their summer goods of Grant, Thompson & Co's Bankrupt Stock. The ladies all say they are selling terrible cheap. Try them.

CHRISTIE, HENDERSON & CO.

Will not rest until every man, woman and child within a distance of fifty miles has heard that they sell

Dry Goods, Clothing, Hats, Groceries, Boots and Shoes, &c.,

At Almost Wholesale Prices.

See our prices for Dress Goods. See our prices for Cottons, Shirtings, Prints, Denims & Ducks. See our prices for Felt Hats and Gent's Furnishings. See our prices for Boots and Shoes. See our prices for Ready-made Clothing.

THEY ASTONISH EVERYBODY.

We believe that profit lies in the volume of business done rather than in large profits on a small turn over.

COME WITH THE CROWD TO THE "GLASGOW HOUSE."

Highest price paid for Fresh Eggs.

BEST VALUE IN 50 CENT TEA.

CHRISTIE, HENDERSON & CO.

CITY GROCERY.

GREEN SELLS CHEAP.

GREEN KEEPS PRICES DOWN.

GREEN DOES THE TRADE.

Eggs, Butter, and Dried Apples

WANTED,

FOR WHICH WILL BE PAID THE HIGHEST MARKET PRICE.

A. W. GREEN.

CORNER OF MILL & MAIN STREETS

ACTON.

FASHIONABLE TAILORING.

SPRING STOCK OF CLOTHS.

The subscriber in returning thanks to his numerous customers for the liberal patronage extended to him since commencing business in Acton, would invite attention to his fresh arrivals of

SPRING & SUMMER TWEEDS,

Cloths, Diagonals, Fancy Coatings, Trowsersings & Vestings.

Which have been selected with great care, and have been bought in the best markets on the most favorable terms. Close buyers will find it to their advantage to inspect my stock before going elsewhere, as my prices are put down to the lowest figures for cash. A Perfect Fit Guaranteed. The Latest Fashions Just Received.

R. E. NELSON.

"Must say it's the nicest thing I ever used for the teeth and breath," says everyone having tried "TEASNEY," the new toilet gum. Get a 5 cent sample.

THE SADDLER OF 540 STREETS.—The grey hairs of age being brought with sorrow to the grave is now, we are glad to think, becoming rarer every year, as the use of Cingless Hair Restorer becomes more general. By its use the scaly locks of age once more resume their former color, and the hair becomes thick and luxuriant as ever; with its aid we can now defy the change of years, resting assured that no Grey Hair at any rate will come to sadden us. Sold by J. E. McGarvin 50 cents per bottle.

Rest and Comfort to the Suffering. "Brown's Household Panacea" has no equal for relieving pain, both internal and external. It cures Pain in the Side, Back or Bowels, Sore Throat, Rheumatism, Toothache, Lumbago and any kind of a Pain or Ache. "It will most surely quicken the Blood and Heal, as its soothing power is wonderful." "Brown's Household Panacea" being acknowledged as the Great Pain Reliever and of double the strength of any other Elixir or Linctum in the world, should be in every family handy for use when wanted, "as it really is the best remedy in the world for Cramps in the Stomach, and Pains and Aches of all kinds," and is for sale by all Druggists at 25 cents a bottle.

Having secured the services of Mr. A. H. LEMON as a repairer of fine watches I am now in a position to do all kinds of watch repairing. MR LEMON being acknowledged by those of the trade who know him to be one of the best workmen in Canada.

Those who have been in the habit of getting their watches repaired at our establishment can therefore rely on their being done as carefully as usual.

Your Obedt Servant,

B. SAVAGE,

Watchmaker & Jeweller, Guelph

Seeds, at J. E. MCGARVIN'S

TO FARMERS.

I HAVE IN STOCK A SPLENDID LOT OF

HARVEST AND OTHER TOOLS,

—INCLUDING— SCYTHES (Cradsle and Grass), SNAITHS, RAKES, FORKS, (in 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 prongs), BARLEY FORKS, HOES, SPADES, SHOVELS, OHISELS, SPUDS, GRIND STONES (and fixtures), SCYTHE STONES, ETC., ETC., ETC. All of which I will sell cheap.

I HAVE ALSO A NICE LOT OF

CUTLERY AND SHELF HARDWARE

AT LOW RATES.

BUTTER TUBS, the nicest in town, CHEAP.

In Nails WE HAVE A FINE STOCK City Prices.

HINGES (Strap & T.), BUTTS, SCREWS, etc., in great variety, CHEAP.

In Crockery, Glassware, Stone & Earthenware, Lamps, Chimneys, Burners, &c., a large stock at Bottom Prices.

Glass (all sizes), Putty, Paints & Oils, Turpentine, Varnish, &c. Salt by the barrel, cheap.

IN GROCERIES—I have a Splendid Assortment at Lowest Prices.

SEE OUR 50 CENT T The best in the county, "AND DONT YOU FORGET IT."

Families laying in a stock for Harvest I am prepared to treat liberally. Come and see samples and save money.

Butter and Eggs taken at the Highest Price.

A call solicited.

Acton, June 16th, 1881. J. B. PEARSON.

THE WONDERFUL MAN

DURING THE BALANCE OF THIS MONTH WE SHALL OFFER IN OUR

DRESS DEPARTMENT

180 Pieces New Summer Dress Materials,

—IN EVERY DESIRABLE SHADES, SUCH AS—

Oxford Grey, Beige, Drab, Mastique, cambridge, Seal, Brown, Navy, Cream, &c., at 12 1/2 cents a yard.

We advertise this as the cheapest lot of goods it has ever been our pleasure to submit to an appreciative public. Together with this lot we will offer:

American Lace Bunting, new shades, at 25c.

French Black Buntings at 25c., 35c., and 40c.

42 inch Black Cashmeres, at 50c.

38 inch Black French Twill at 80c.

French DeBeige and Swiss Serges at 29c., 25c., 30c. and 40c.

Fringes, Satins and Brocades to match each piece.

THIS ANNOUNCEMENT

is worthy the thoughtful consideration of every lady in the city; and as this will be the largest offering of Fine Dress Materials ever made in Guelph, we predict that during the continuance of this sale, our establishment will more than ever be the centre of attraction for ladies wishing to procure first-class materials.

Silk Shades and Satin Parasols all reduced in price.

GREAT BARGAINS OFFERING.

JOHN HOGG & SON

Direct Importers,

GUELPH.

drug store, Acton. SEEDS.