

THE FREE PRESS.

Thursday Morning, Feb. 18, 1882.

HOW DOES YOUR BUSINESS STAND?

Stock taking is not one of the most attractive jobs in the world, but its necessity is so great...

Stock taking is the pulse of any business, and by the results and indications a merchant can form a general correct view of whether his business is healthy or the reverse.

At this season of the year, when the rush of the holiday trade has subsided, most merchants have a sharp breathing spell, and in no way do we think it could be more profitably employed than in taking stock, making up accounts and balancing one's books.

A great many merchants are gratified to say, seem to think that their operations are only secondary to that of selling goods, but we think that every merchant of experience will look to the statement, that they were of paramount importance to any successful business, and should not be neglected or used to give way for anything else.

We would advise all our readers who have hitherto neglected stock taking and balancing their books, to commence as soon as possible, and we are satisfied that if they do it thoroughly one year they will be so well satisfied with the information they have obtained about their own business that they will never again neglect it.

THE DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

Opening of the Fourth Session. The fourth session of the fourth Parliament of the Dominion of Canada was opened on Tuesday with all the usual attendant ceremonies...

Acton Village Council.

Council met on Tuesday evening, 14th inst. Members all present, Mr. C. S. Smith, reeve, in the chair. Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

Nassawogon Council.

The Council met on Monday the 6th day of February. Members all present, the reeve in the chair. Mr. Wheeler moved, seconded by Mr. Norris...

THE FIRE FIEND.

Three Buildings Burned on Monday Morning. Mr. McNab's Property Saved by the Efforts of Citizens. About 3 o'clock on Monday morning our citizens were aroused by the unrelenting alarm of fire.

J. E. McGarvin's Drug Store for

Smith, W. Murray, G. Garnet, T. Johnson, A. McNeil, D. McIntyre, D. Jones, W. Casick, G. Bluck, R. Black, J. White, W. G. Sida, R. J. Preston, J. Road, C. McPhail, J. B. Carter, E. Hunt, W. Watson, S. S. S. & Co., J. McPherson, J. Mason, W. B. King, H. B. King, J. Moffat, J. McPherson, A. McPherson, J. Ramsey, G. Elliott, D. Vickers, P. Delaney, W. Holmes, R. Darby, J. W. Hasbun, J. Gordon, W. McInnes, P. S. Stevens, D. Wilson, A. Nichols, J. McLean, C. A. H. H. Moffat, P. Campbell, J. Hill, T. Stoney, Jr., P. McDonald, J. Murray, G. Lusk, D. Piddie, J. Hanly, M. Flynn, D. Reid, D. Black, H. Campbell and F. Munaghan.

BUSINESS BRIEVITIES.

Some Facts about our Business Men and Houses, as usually, to our general readers.

HATS from 75 cents to \$2.50 at J. Fyfe's. A good Felt Hat for 75 cents at J. Fyfe's. Ladies' Hosiery - sweet styles at Christie, Henderson & Co.

Mr. Gould moved, seconded by Mr. Hutchison, that the sum of one dollar be refunded to E. Harmer, being an error in dog tax. Carried.

Mr. Norris moved, seconded by Mr. Wheeler, that the sum of \$12 be paid to K. McLeod, for work done in Div. 47, during last year. Carried.

Mr. Norris moved, seconded by Mr. Hutchison, that the Auditor's report be now examined by a committee of the whole, and that the Deputy Reeve take the chair. Carried.

The committee reported that they had carefully examined the said report, and found all correct, and on motion their report was adopted, and it was ordered that the Auditor be paid as per Bill. Carried.

Mr. Gould moved, seconded by Mr. Hutchison, that the sum of one dollar be refunded to W. Munton, being an error in dog tax. Carried.

Mr. Norris moved, seconded by Mr. Wheeler, that the sum of \$25.00 be paid to H. Stangle, as caretaker of the Town Hall. Carried.

Mr. Norris moved, seconded by Mr. Gould, that the Collector be, and is hereby appointed to collect any and all taxes, that may still remain unpaid in this municipality. Carried.

Mr. Wheeler moved, seconded by Mr. Hutchison, that the following sums be paid for sheep killed or worried by dog or dogs, and claims having been duly certified to, viz: - D. Wren, \$17.34, for 4 sheep; J. McKinnon, \$8.33, for 2 sheep; and J. Morris, \$10.00, for 2 sheep. Carried.

Mr. Norris moved, seconded by Mr. Gould, that Overseers of Highways purchasing gravel for roads be required to certify, that the quantity of gravel charged for has been taken. Carried.

On motion, the council adjourned to meet again on Saturday, the 27th day of May next, at a Court of Revision and Appeal, and for the transaction of their Township business.

J. EASTMAN, Township Clerk.

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GOOD GOODS FOR ALL. B. HASLETT. DEALER IN STAPLE DRY GOODS and General GROCERIES, &c.

Has just opened a stock of goods very suitable for the present trade. Ladies White Silk Handkerchiefs and Scarfs. Gentle Pink Handkerchiefs, in all Shades.

The Great Sale of BOOTS AND SHOES. CHEAPEST STORE in the County STILL CONTINUES.

JAMES GOODALL, CENTRAL BOOT AND SHOE. Custom Work carried on as usual by Mr. Thomas Grainger.

IN the High Court of Justice. CHANCERY DIVISION. MOORE vs. MOORE.

AGNEW'S HOTEL in the VILLAGE OF ACTON. By Wm. Hemstreet, Auctioneer.

Friday, March the 10th, A.D. 1882. In five parcels, the following property, viz: Parcel No. 1 - A farm of 180 acres, more or less, being the North East half of Lot No. 30...

J. C. HILL. Tin and Stone Business. A good stock of Stones of all kinds on hand, to be sold cheap.

FINE GOODS. Xmas and New Years Presents. Fur Caps in Otter, Seal, Persian Lamb and Mink.

Shaw & Murton, Merchant Tailors, Guelph. RUPTURE PLASTER. Sore cure by an outward application which will cause the broken membrane to heal and become as strong as before the accident.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas, WE REMAIN, CHRISTIE, HENDERSON & CO. Books, Slates, Copy Books, Toys.

Books, Slates, Copy Books, Toys, writing paper, envelopes, school...

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W. P. BROWN FOR Groceries, Crockery, Glassware, Chinaware, Toys, Etc.

Fish, Fish, Fish, Fish. Just received. A full stock of WHITE FISH, SALMON TROUT, LAKE HURON and LABRADOR HERRING, To be sold cheap for cash.

FANCY GOODS. Mrs. Brown has opened a nice assortment of Fancy Goods, in Berlin Wools, Fingering and Zephyr Yarns, Laces, Embroideries, Braids, and Crochet Braids, and all goods generally kept in a Fancy Shop.

Christie, Henderson & Co., ACTON, ONTARIO. This week and through the Holiday Season our stock of GENERAL DRY GOODS, MILLINERY, BOOTS & SHOES, ETC., ETC., Will be found Complete, Fresh, Choice and Cheap.

OUR IMMENSE STOCK OF BOOTS & SHOES. Enables us to fit and suit everyone, besides, our goods being made up by reliable manufacturers, can always be depended on to give good satisfaction, and can be testified by thousands who have worn our Boots for two or three seasons. This together with our low prices accounts for our immense sales.

OUR IMMENSE STOCK OF BOOTS & SHOES. Women's Button and Lace Shoes from \$1.00 UP. Men's Stoga Boots from \$1.50 UP. Misses, Women's, and Men's Overshoes from 25c UP.

OUR IMMENSE STOCK OF BOOTS & SHOES. Our Felt Boots and Half Boots are the Cheapest Offered. Overcoats, Shirts & Drawers, Mitts and Socks, Tweeds & Scarfs, ALL NEW AND CHEAP.

OUR IMMENSE STOCK OF BOOTS & SHOES. In Gents Collars and Fancy and Fashionable Ties we show full lines. Ladies Knit Shawls, Cloaks, Furs, and Fancy Goods, of all kinds.

OUR IMMENSE STOCK OF BOOTS & SHOES. HAVE BEEN SELECTED WITH CARE AND ECONOMY. Our Millinery Trade this Season. Quite surpasses former years, being more than double that of last year. Our efforts have been to please, and we accept this as satisfactory evidence.

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