

THE FREE PRESS.

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Geo. Hynds' Jewellery & Fancy Goods Store, Acton, Ont.

BITS OF BREVITY.

Local and otherwise prepared by the use of the pen and chosen for readers of the Free Press.

- May - Military.
Quit you like men.
Seeding is almost over.
The weather keeps cool.
Barbering is the second story.
Crocket has been revived again.
Big fish stories are now in order.
Accommodation for all, in Acton.
Fine shower on Monday afternoon.
Whose prostration was the greatest?
Warmer weather will be welcomed by all.
Council meeting next Tuesday evening.
Little people sometimes talk loud and fast.
May is cordially welcomed by the fishermen.
Marlatt Bros. butcher shop now sports a new sign.
How would it do for both parties to be a little charitable?
"Gerrymandering" has become a most popular word of late.
The spring is backward and the sun is yet chary of his smiles.
Trout fishing is the all-absorbing pastime with the boys now.
Mr. J. Fyfe has planted a new orchard on his property on Church street.
This month spring flowers will appear in Sunday's blossoms and clover here.
Wouldn't it be a good idea for the court to prohibit night work in a mill?
Don't fail to read the advertisements this week! They are full of important facts.
It's late now, gentlemen, you might as well turn the handle and observe it, first as last.
Messrs. Agnew, Campbell and Bennett created a sensation in front of their premises this week.
Fishing has been isolated in to a considerable extent this week. It hasn't been all that fishing, though.
Innards are like counterfeit money. We cannot prevent their being offered, but we are not obliged to take them.
The bottom seems to have fallen out of the merchants' early closing system. It was successfully carried out for several months.
Mr. George Garrett is the happy possessor of a brand new paragon and soothing rhympoconer. It's a boy, and George wears the broadest of smiles.
A rolling stone may gather moss, the mare may be the better horse; Tree may be straight but 'twig is bent, but landlord won't forget his rent - Grip's Almanac.
Gardening operations are now fairly commenced in this vicinity. We trust those who are engaged in this pleasant and healthful recreation will be amply repaid for their industry.
Mr. Henry Byrd has purchased the lot and dwelling recently occupied by Mr. James Goodall, and has taken up his residence there. Mr. Goodall has returned to the house opposite the Presbyterian Church.
Our citizens are repairing buildings and fences quite extensively, and a general appearance of thrift and enterprise prevails throughout our town. May peace be within her walls and plentyousness within her palaces.
The concert of the Olympic Lacrosse Club, which took place on the 21st of April, was a success. Referring to the Acton Glee Club, which took part in the programme, the Champion says: "These gentlemen are really first-class performers, and form a powerful quartette."
What People Say.
That one shed is as good as another.
That there was considerable night work put in this week.
That the new post card is an improvement on the old one.
That the farmers in this vicinity never had better prospects.
That from the present prices of butter the cows must read N.P. papers.
That there was apparently opposition in the barbering business this week.
That there was considerable talk over the bonfire on Saturday night.
That if any "pi" is required the printing office ought to be a good place to go for it.
That the fall wheat and clover in the vicinity of Milton are very badly winter-killed.
That the Free Press was correct when it said there'd be lots of fun over the Scott Act this week.
That the dogs will soon leave their hiding places - the season's work being almost completed.
That North West mud and an empty pocket book will cure a good many cases of North West fever.
That the Scott Act will be a complete success if all the residents of Halton County are law-abiding citizens.
That those "barber pole" monuments "stuprations" had a good deal of work on Sunday morning, with very unsatisfactory results.

VILLAGE VARIETIES.

A Collection of local news and other matters of special interest to our Village Readers.

COMPLETING.—Mr. J. E. McGarvin is having the interior of his drug store completed this week.
IMMEDIATELY.—Wanted at the Glasgow House, four girls to work in Millinery room. Christie, Henderson & Co.
BUSINESS CHANGE.—We are informed that Messrs. Robinson Bros., butchers, have disposed of their business to Mr. M. Holmes, of Nassauways.
DRUGGIST'S LICENSE.—The application of Dr. M. Forster of this village, for a druggist's license to sell spirituous liquors under the Canada Temperance Act, has been accepted.
DEWARE OF FRAUDS.—The original and only genuine "Rough on Rats" is manufactured by and has the name of Ephraim S. Wells, Jersey City, N.J., on each box. He employs no Travelling Agents nor Peddlers.
COMMUNION.—The usual quarterly sacramental services will be held in the Methodist Church here next Sunday. Until further notice the evening service will be discontinued in this church at 6 p.m., instead of 8.30.
SHEDS.—The large shed at the Methodist Church has been fitted up with feeding troughs, and all parties having teams are welcome to put them in and feed them there. Nicklin's mill shed is also at the service of the public.
IS BUSINESS.—We are informed that Mr. A. E. Nicklin of this village is now in business in Winthrop, in company with two Ontario young men. They are running a grocery and bakery business, and have excellent prospects. We wish the boys success.
ARBOR DAY.—The reeve hasn't proclaimed a holiday for planting shade trees yet. It only requires a little expense, a little work, and our village would be increased in beauty, and there would be a day's fun besides.
I. O. O. F. CONCERT.—The members of Acton Lodge, No. 294, I. O. O. F., are talking of getting up an entertainment for some time in the month of May. If it is carried out, the costumes will likely be elegant, and a good time will be provided.
CONTRACT.—On Sunday last Mrs. T. M. Speight and Mr. W. Speight, of Concord, were in the village. The old lady was eighty years of age, and had survived her husband about six years. A number of the friends in this village attended her funeral on Wednesday. "Her end was Peace."
DISAPPEAR.—The editor of the Georgetown Herald has stated that Rev. T. L. Wilkinson, with everything but respect to his claims during the past two or three weeks. Last week his remarks added insult to injury, and we will be considerably surprised if the Herald does not make an apology in this week's issue.
IMPROVED.—The Acton, Mass., Patriot has changed hands, and the new proprietor, Mr. E. J. Hammer, has given his newly adopted child a new dress. We have exchanged with the Patriot for several years, and consider it one of the best country papers on our list. May success continue the efforts of the new editor.
BRUTAL.—Much indignation was expressed by those who witnessed the brutal manner in which a worshipper at the shrine of Bacchus treated the dumb beast he was driving to and fro through the town last Saturday afternoon. Such cruelty should not be permitted, and we deeply regret that such an "excuse for humanity" was not immediately arrested and put in durance vile.
ACTON BRASS BAND.—Acton's excellent brass band was out in full force on Monday evening, in honor of the Scott Act, and our citizens in all parts of the village were treated to a number of splendid tunes. They first serenaded the Free Press office, and then marched down Mill street and up Main street to the bonfire at the corner of Elgin and Mill streets.
BEAUTY.—The most attractive thing about a city, town or village, is cleanliness, and the time of the year has arrived when the back yards, as well as all streets and lanes, should be cleaned up. Let us have all rubbish removed as soon as possible, so that when strangers visit our little town they will be impressed with the fact that cleanliness, beauty and business are prominent features of the place. A word to the wise, etc.
RAILWAY SMASHUP.—The Saturday morning express on the G. & N. W. railway was thrown off the track at Milton by a cow. The engine, tender, and baggage car are a total wreck, and are lying piled up together. Nobody was hurt seriously. The fireman had a most miraculous escape, being uninjured, though hurled beneath the pile. The accident occurred at a deep cut in the road, and there would certainly have been loss of life and much more damage.
THE PULPIT.—Rev. J. C. Bell, of the M. E. Conference in session at Georgetown, preached a very acceptable sermon in the Methodist Church here on Sunday morning. In the evening Rev. T. L. Wilkinson delivered a most practical and interesting discourse from the text, 1 Cor., 16: 30: "Quit you like men" referring to the Scott Act, and advising all to act honorably, and to do their duty as men of principle. Rev. J. C. Bell, of Georgetown, preached an excellent sermon in the Baptist Church on Sunday evening.
DOMINION ALLIANCE IN HALTON.—The Halton Branch of the Alliance met at Milton on Thursday. Resolutions were unanimously adopted declaring it to be the duty of citizens to uphold the Alliance in its determination to enforce the provisions of the Scott Act, and characterizing the action of those who seek to defeat the operation of the Act as subversive of the very foundation of order and social intercourse; also, authorizing the Executive Committee to appoint special agents to assist the inspector, and make a special appeal for funds to aid the Alliance in enforcing the provisions of the Act.

BUSINESS.—Dear reader, if you are not indebted for the Free Press pass this notice by. If you owe for one or two years you should not excuse yourself from paying on the plea that the sum is small. True one or two dollars appear so small a sum that any person might get along without it; but a number of hundreds of such sums held back from any merchant would seriously embarrass his business. We can no more carry on our business without money than you can carry on yours. Pay up and receive a copy of Keble's horse book free.
WINDING DIRT.—A young man from this vicinity now in Winthrop gives the following description of the value to which property has risen in that city:—"People here actually wade through the mud, knee deep, and slash it in all directions as though it had no value, whilst every foot of it is worth a small fortune. I have, at the present moment, about fifteen thousand dollars worth on my boots. I am going to have it surveyed into town lots and sell it by auction in Toronto. The city council has just passed a by-law forbidding foreigners leaving town taking main street property away on their boots unless they can show good title."
AN EXPERIENCE.—An old merchant who had always been an extensive advertiser, was in the habit of saying (and practicing upon the theory) that the most necessary time to advertise freely is when times are dull. Accepting this as a fact, the present is a good time to advertise. If merchants have bargains to offer now is the time to induce purchasers. It is now that purchasers watch for bargains and bite a hook that is temptingly baited, and how much better it is that merchants who have goods with which to bait hooks should bait them, and sell the goods at small profits rather than keep them upon their shelves and invite damage from dust.
ACCOMMODATION.—We trust those farmers and others who were in the habit of dealing in Acton, previous to the passage of the Scott Act, will not now inconvenience themselves by going to towns in other counties further away from home, because reports have been circulated by the enemies of the act that there is no accommodation in Acton. This report is false. When you come to Acton if you require sheds for your horses, they will be provided for you; if you want stables, there are plenty at your service. If you require meals, you will be accommodated, and if you wish to remain over night you will be cared for. Our merchants will treat you with just as much respect as formerly; prices as good as any town in the country will be given for your produce, and our merchants claim that they can give you cheaper goods than those of many other towns.
A MISREPRESENTATION.—The opponents of the Scott Act seem to take considerable pleasure in misrepresenting the condition of things in Halton since the Scott Act came in force. The following from the Georgian Mercury will suffice to show this:—"A traveller from Perth reports that during the heavy rain storm on Monday afternoon, whilst in Hallowville, he tried to get his horse and wagon in the stable of the hotel, but could gain no admittance, and as a last resort had to lie under the wagon till the shower passed over. The pump in connection with the hotel was also locked up, and it was found necessary to go to private residences to get refreshments for man or beast. The same was passed through Acton and reported the state of things in a similar condition." As far as Hallowville is concerned it will only be necessary to state that there has been no licensed hotel there for several years, consequently the Scott Act was not to blame in any respect for the state of things as represented. As for Acton, the statement was unfounded, as the sheds at the disposal of the public were not half full at any time during the rain storm on Monday, and there was plenty of food for both man and beast. Stick to the truth, gentlemen.

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OUR SPRING STOCK. SPECIAL LINES. 917 Patterns of Choice English and French Prints at 6 cents a yard and up.

Mantle and Dress Cashmeres, 50-inches wide, single width. Dress Goods, all the Fashionable Colors and Shades, with Trimmings to match, from 8c. a yard upward. Linen Goods of every description, at prices that Cannot be Beaten. Heavy White Counterpanes at \$1.00 Beautiful Stand Spreads at 80c. and 40c.

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS, THE MOST COMPLETE STOCK IN ACTON.

MILLINERY. Our Millinery will be found more attractive than ever this season, as we have taken all pains to obtain the latest and choicest class of goods in the New York, Montreal and Toronto Markets. Special lines in Children's Hats. Fancy Straws at 15c. & 20c.

Our Prices will be found the very lowest for all classes of goods. Highest Price paid for any quantity of good Butter and Eggs. EDINBURGH WAREHOUSE, ACTON.

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But I'm going to stop right here in Acton, and intend to do the largest trade this season I have ever done because I have the goods to do it with, and the prices are closer than ever.

The question is often asked, "How can GREEN sell so cheap and still make money?" My answer is just this: I buy close and keep a sharp look-out at all times for bargains, and buy everything that a farmer offers for sale, and my customers invariably get the benefit of it.

I have a Full and Complete line in GROCERIES, All Fresh, Clean and New. The Largest Stock of CROCKERY AND GLASSWARE Ever Shown in Acton.

DISHES, any color, any price, or any style you want. Special attention given to the Provision line. Cash paid for Produce of all kinds. American Silver and Nickels taken at par for goods.

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NEW Flour and Feed STORE.



The undersigned has just opened in the premises formerly occupied by Mr. J. C. Hill, Mill street, Acton, a Flour, Feed & Provision Store,

CALL AT J C Hill's New Stand for GOOD SUBSTANTIAL

Flour, Feed & Provision Store, and will keep constantly on hand a full supply of Flour, Bran, Shorts, Buckwheat Flour, Cornmeal, Seed Corn, Oatmeal, Pot Meal, and all kinds of Feed.

Goods delivered any place inside or out of Corporation. Your patronage is respectfully solicited.

R. ELLIOTT Acton, April 19th, 1882.

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Groceries,

TWO CRATES OF GLASSWARE AND CROCKERY which he is determined to sell at ROCK BOTTOM PRICES.

REMEMBER HIS CELEBRATED 50 CENT TEA.

WANTED.—All kinds of Produce, especially Butter and Potatoes.

FANCY GOODS.—A new lot of Fancy Goods just to hand. W. P. BROWN.

NEW STORE, NEW GOODS, BOTTOM PRICES.

Everything Fresh Neat and Clean!

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COMPRISING: Family Supplies of all kinds, Teas, Sugars, Coffee, Fruits, Canned Goods, Dried & Salt Meats, etc.

And is convinced that he can sell as CHEAP AS THE CHEAPEST.

A splendid stock of CROCKERY, GLASSWARE and CHINA, is now on hand. Call and inspect our goods.

T. H. HARDING

J. E. McGarvin's Account against you will be sent at once. Be ready to settle. I must have money to run the business. Kindly call and settle account as soon as possible.