Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 10, 1883.

Fishing Tackle at Geo. Hynds.

A splendid assortment of Hooks, Catton & Linen Lines, Fly Hooks, at Geo. Hynds. Rubber Balls, Base Balls, a large stock.

Geo. Hynds, Dealer in Jewellery, Fancy Goods, School Books & Stationery, Acton, ont. Give us a call.

BITS OF BREVITY.

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

Milliners are busy.

New moon last Sunday.

—Attend to your gardening duties.

Lilac buds are "on the burst."

—Dare we venture to say that spring is really here?

It is said that snakes are numerous in the county.

—Milton is agitating for the erection of a new post office.

Regular meeting of Village council next Tuesday evening.

—A good many fruit trees are being planted in town this spring.

—Dwelling houses are scarce in Guelph this spring. A healthy sign.

—Many a back yard has been ornamented with a bonfire during the week.

—It is better to see a great deal and tell nothing than to see a little and tell it all.

—Fishing has "filled in" the leisure time of a number of our citizens during the week.

—The carpenters' saw and hammer are ringing forth welcome news of progress in Acton.

The sale of gardening implements is very satisfactory to the hardware merchants.

—All classes of fine commercial printing executed neatly, cheaply and promptly at this office.

—Paint is making many transformations this spring. It is certainly a very improving article.

—Mrs. Standish has been appointed postmistress at Omagh, in place of Mr. Thos. Little, resigned.

—Mr. C. B. Griffin's adv. this week commands a careful perusal. A number of special lines are offered.

—Mr. Thos. Ebbage is having his dwelling on Main street completed. The plasterers are now engaged at it.

—From present indications there will be very lively competition for Mr. Eli Snyder's fine property on the day of sale.

Mr. Thomas Craine returned on Monday after having spent a pleasant week with his son John, and other friends, in Cleveland, Ohio.

—Again it is suggested that Nicklin's pond be stocked with black bass and other varieties of fish. But who is to make a practical move in the matter?

Any subscriber to this journal can get a copy of "Kendall's celebrated Treatise on the Horse," free, by calling at the office, or sending a 2 cent stamp to pay postage.

—Gossip is the parting two and two to a friend and telling five of them. We impute it, of our citizens have had an extended experience in this kind of thing.

Mr. Wm. Gurney, foreman of Mr. Jas. Moore's shoe leather manufactory, has purchased the lot on the corner of Frederick and Church streets, and intends erecting a house thereon this summer.

—Mr. W. A. Playfair, our enterprising seedsman in Nassagaweya, will kindly accept our thanks for a selection of seeds. Mr. Playfair's building up a very satisfactory trade in the seed business.

—Mr C. S. Smith continues to improve the beautiful grounds which surround his residence. Mr. Smith employs a gardener during the entire season and has without doubt the finest grounds in town.

—The Acton Building Association is having summer kitchens built in connection with their houses on Bower Avenue. The association seems desirous of looking after the comfort of their tenants, in every possible manner.

—Acting upon the suggestion of the Free Press of last week, the street and sidewalk committee have workmen engaged in raking and cleaning the streets, and by Saturday night our little town will be looking as neat and clean as a new pin.

—Mr. Joseph T. Thompson, of Esquesing, has purchased Mr. John Crozier's farm of 50 acres, adjoining the village of Erin, for $1,500 cash. We understand Mr. Thompson intends erecting a cheese factory on the farm this summer.—*Mercury.*

—A number of boys in town seem to take a good deal of pleasure in annoying the merchants on Mrs. Secord's corner. Boys, mend your ways, the lock-up is ready for you, and constable Hemstreet will handle you without gloves if you conduct yourselves improperly.

—A man will use himself up pretty badly by using the garden hoe and shovel for a day, but the next morning an industrious, energetic neighbor's hen can undo his work in exactly fifteen minutes, and do it easily. These mischievous bipeds should be penned at this season of the year.

—The newspaper of to-day is the great free library of the people. There is no line of information which is withheld from its ample pages. People who do not have time to read books hardly need to realize any privation, if they will spend a few moments a day with their newspaper.

—The sand from the cellar of Mr. W. P. Brown's new building was deposited on Mill street. Some people say it is an improvement, while others complain that the street will always be in a muddy condition as a result. A few months, however, will demonstrate the right or wrong of the matter.

Removal.

Mr. James Matthews has removed the hop kiln which was situated on Mr. Joseph Fyfe's property on Church street, to his own lot on the corner of Willow and Church streets. The removal of this building has greatly improved the appearance of Mr. Fyfe's fine new residence.

VILLAGE VARIETIES.

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

For the North West.

Messrs. E. Matthews and R. Watson leave this morning for the North West, with a couple of car loads of stock, etc. We trust they will have a profitable trip.

Health.

The six diseases most prevalent in this district during the past week, as given by the Weekly Health Bulletin, are Bronchitis, Anæmia, Influenza, Neuralgia, Diarrhœa, and Rheumatism.

Read and Examine Them.

Owing to the remarkable reputation of the Free Press as an advertising medium, our columns are this week crowded to excess. Our readers will, however, find very attractive and profitable reading even in the advertisements, and we do not hesitate to recommend a careful perusal of them.

An Illegal Practice.

We regret to notice that a number of our citizens are engaging in that most unseemly practice of throwing the weeds and other rubbish which has accumulated in their gardens on the street. The chairman of the committee on streets and sidewalks should immediately put a stop to this illegal action.

Poor Fellow.

The Acton Free Press wants a fire company established in that village. It has no faith in hand engines, having found them of little use. It had better send a man to Georgetown to inquire about that matter as our hand engine has saved the town on several occasions. Among the equipments for a Hook & Ladder Co., the Free Press suggests picks. What would the picks be for, pray?—*Georgetown Herald.* Tut, tut, Mr. *Herald*, you should not make such publicity of your ignorance. Keep your eyes open at the next fire you attend and the Hook and Ladder boys will show you what picks are for.

Presbyterian Church Work.

The meeting of the Synods of Toronto and Kingston, held at Guelph last week, was very interesting and profitable throughout, to those in attendance. During the several sessions the following subjects were discussed:—1. Source and conditions of spiritual power; 2. Religious life and intercourse in the home; 3. Helps and hindrances in the congregation to ministerial success; 4. Promotion of life and interest in the prayer meeting; 5. Developement of a missionary spirit among the young; 6. How to enlist church members in christian work; 7. The Spirit's power in the preaching and the hearing of the Word.

John Hogg & Son Guelph.

By a mammoth advertisement the above firm announces in this issue that they have received their very large spring stock of staple and fancy dry goods, and respectfully invite you to call and examine their immense assortment of goods. They have a stock to choose from more varied than on any previous occasion and are prepared to give value such as was never before offered. Their dress goods department especially is well filled, and they are offering silks at prices unprecedented. When you call examine their millinery and enjoy a treat. Their carpet room, too, deserves more than a passing glance. A very large trade is anticipated this season.

Mass Meetings.

On Sunday afternoon a mass meeting of children and young people was held in the Presbyterian Church. The attendance was very large and the meeting was interestingly addressed by Rev. Mr. McIntyre. In the evening a mass meeting was held in the Methodist Church, this edifice being filled to overflowing. The following clerical gentlemen were present:—Rev's. McIntyre; Coutts, Georgetown; Glover, Toronto, and Cameron, Bryers and Cook, Acton. Rev. Mr. McIntyre delivered a discourse full of exhortation and entreaty, which was attended with good results, as evidenced by the number which attended the enquiry meeting. During the special services over 100 persons have given in their names as seekers after the New Life.

Dedication.

The dedication of the Oddfellows' splendid new hall in Cutten's Block took place last Wednesday evening. There were present to conduct the ceremonies Bro. Jas. Woodyatt, of Brantford, Grand Master; Bro. H. P. Moore, P. G., of the Acton Free Press, acting as Grand Chaplain; Bro. Gibson, of Stratford, Grand Representative, acting as Grand Marshall; Herald of the North, Bro. Wilmott, of London; Herald of the South, Bro. J. B. King, Grand Secretary; Herald of the East, Bro. Masters, of Berlin; Herald of the West, Bro. Welsh, P. G., of Stratford; Grand Herald, Bro. F. Bisooe; Inside Guard, Bro. Bolton.—*Guelph Mercury.* Bro. P. G's. Craine and Snyder of Acton lodge were also present, a very interesting and enjoyable evening was spent by the brethern.

Another Large Business for Acton.

We are pleased to be able to announce that through untiring efforts on the part of Mr. W. H. Storey, our worthy reeve, Messrs. Beardmore & Co., Toronto, have been induced to re-establish their very large sole leather manufactory in this village. When the extent of the business which will be carried on by this firm is realized our people will have some idea of its importance to our ever increasing municipality. It is the intention of Messrs. Beardmore & Co. to put in new and improved machinery throughout the entire establishment. New engine and boilers will be necessary, new leaches, new vats, new kilns, new engine house, new leach house, in fact nearly everything about the place will be renewed. This work will no doubt give a large amount of employmqnt to mechanics and laborers during the entire summer. The establishing of this business here is a matter of great importance to the farmers in the community, as it will require a very large quantity of hemlock bark, for which a price higher than ever before offered, as will be seen by reference to our advertising columns, will be paid. We would advise our farmer friends to bring in their bark at once as no higher price will ever be offered, as the firm can secure all the bark they require, shipped here from other points, at the figure named. When the manufactory is placed in working order, employment will be given to a large staff of workmen.

Acton's Beautifiers.

There is no better evidence of the progress of this community, in financial and intellectual prosperity, than the manner of improving and adorning the surroundings of both public and private property. During the present spring more than ordinary interest has been manifested in planting shade trees and otherwise improving the general appearance of our attractive little town. As far as we can learn, the following is a complete list of trees planted on the streets this spring. If, however, any have been overlooked we will be pleased to add them to the list next week:—

Public School Grounds	43	trees.
Mr. R. Little, P.S.I.	40	"
" Patrick Kelly,	24	"
" C. S. Smith,	17	"
" William Hemstreet,	16	"
" W. H. Storey,	15	"
" James Goodall,	15	"
Church of England property,	14	"
Mr. W. T. Smyth,	14	"
" Joseph Fyfe,	13	"
Messrs. Christie & Henderson,	12	"
Mr. John Cameron,	9	"
" Abram Matthews,	9	"
" H. P. Moore,	7	"
" Thomas Easton,	7	"
" James Matthews,	6	"
Town Hall Grounds,	6	"
Mr. Paul Jarvis,	5	"
" D. D. Christie,	5	"
" James Moore,	4	"
" Alex. Secord,	4	"
" Donald Mann,	4	"
" J. McRae,	4	"
Mrs. Edward Moore,	1	"
Mr. C. W. Hill,	3	"
" William Steel,	3	"
" Isaac Francis,	3	"
Mrs. MacBeth,	3	"
" Josiah Adams,	2	"
Mr. Anthony Stephenson,	2	"
" Levi Lambert,	2	"
Drill Shed Property,	2	"
Mr. Benj. Heslett,	1	"
" David Mahaney,	1	"
" Alex. F. Smith,	1	"
Mrs. George Naylor,	1	"
Total number planted	321	Trees.

We hope to see many of our citizens vieing with each other in this work, for there is no doubt that such pleasant features will attract more wealthy residents to the place, so that the ultimate result will well repay the outlay.

The majority of the above trees were put in by Messrs. James Grant and Wm. Swackhammer, they having made a specialty of tree planting this spring. They seem confident of the successful growth of the trees planted.

Our Cotemporaries Opinions.

Our brethern of the press have our thanks for the following kindly notices of our improvements:—

The Acton Free Press has come out in new costume and its appearence is very much improved.—*Milton News.*

The Acton Free Press came out in a new dress last week. The Free Press is an excellent local paper, and is well edited.—*Durham Review.*

The Acton Free Press came out last week in a bright new dress. It is a spicy sheet and well deserves its apparent prosperity.—*Stratford Herald.*

The Acton Free Press come out last week in a new dress. The Free Press is an interesting little sheet and deserves support.—*Georgetown Herald.*

The Acton Free Press came out last week with a new dress. It is very neat, and the entire paper shows increasing prosperity.—*Niagara Falls Review.*

The Acton Free Press has donned a new dress. It is a lively local paper and well deserves the liberal patronage awarded it by the business men of Halton.—*Dundas Sentinel.*

The Acton Free Press looks decidedly nobby in its new spring suit. It is a strong advocate of temperance principles, and deserves to succeed.—*Hamilton Daily Tribune.*

The Acton Free Press is almost continuous in its improvements. Only a short time ago a new power press was added to the plant, and last week the issue was printed from new type. That friend Moore may keep on prospering is our wish.—*Port Elgin Busy Times.*

The Acton Free Press comes to hand in a new dress and though it was by no means a bad looking sheet before, it is much improved. That it may meet with the success that will encourage it to still greater improvement is the wish of the *Advertiser.*—*Orangeville Advertiser.*

With pleasure we notice another improvement in our ever welcome exchange the Acton Free Press. The F. P. has been treated to a new dress. It is an able representative of Acton. We advise the citizens of that place to tender it their undivided support, as it is laboring zealously in their interests.—*Blyth Review.*

The Acton Free Press, one of the best because one of the newsiest of our exchanges, has surprised its readers by donning a new suit before the old one was worn out. The Free Press is an uncompromising enemy of the liquor traffic and its prosperity is doubly sure now that Halton has become a Scott Act county. More power to your pen, brother Moore.—*Wallaceburg Echo.*

Our lively cotem., the Acton Free Press, has donned a new dress and comes out with a fine typographical appearance. It is one of the neatest of our exchanges, and also one of the spiciest. The Free Press certainly deserves a liberal support from the people of Acton, which we infer it gets from all that can be gleaned in glancing over its columns. Success, my boy, there's nothing succeeds like success.—*Brampton Conservator.*

THE GRAVE.

ELLIS.—In Acton, on the 8th inst., the wife of Mr. J. T. Ellis, of a daughter.

PANTON.—At Milton, on the 1st inst., the wife of Mr. Wm. Panton, County Clerk, of twin daughters.

THE ALTAR.

MOORE.—SMITH.—At St. George's Church, Guelph, on 1st May, by the Ven. Arch deacon Dixon, Richard, son of Mr. John Moore, of Rockwood, to Marie E., eldest daughter of Mr. James Smith, late of Fernyhurst, Eramosa, now of Shell River, N. W. T.

THE CRADLE.

WORDEN.—In Acton, on the 7th inst., Freddy, infant son of Mr. J. P. Worden, aged 6 months.

1883 **Esquesing Fall Show** 1883

$10 SPECIAL PRIZES.

$5.00 Cash for best dozen Swede Turnips.
$5.00 Cash for best dozen Mangols,

raised from seed purchased at—

J. E. McGARVIN'S

Drug and Stationery Store, Acton.

These prizes are open for competition to all resident farmers in Esquesing, Nassagaweya, Erin and Eramosa Tps.

All Kinds of

Garden, Field and Flower

—SEEDS,—

Good, Fresh and Reliable,

AT J. E. McGARVIN'S

Drug & Stationery Store,

ACTON.

Halton Dry Goods House.

ACTON.

SUMMER IMPORTATIONS JUST TO HAND.

New Dress Goods for This Season.

CHECK AND PLAIN SATINS, NUN'S VEILING, WOOL BUNTINGS AND CASHMERES, IN MYRTLE GREEN, BROWN, GREY, STONE, NAVY BLUE, CREAM & BLUE, WITH NEW SHADES, AND 50 OTHER DIFFERENT KINDS OF FABRICS, SATIN BROCADES, OTTOMAN CORDS AND SPOTS. TRIMMINGS:—BRAIDS, TARLATAN BRAIDS, IN NEW COLORS, PASSEMENTRE TRIMMINGS IN GREAT VARIETY, MANTLE LOOPS, FROGS AND ORNAMENTS IN ALL THE NEW PATTERNS.

A GREAT DRIVE.

We are in receipt of 40 pieces of Cashmeres, in Blue Black, Jet Black, Brown Black, and Dull black. Every person able to purchase a dress should not lose this opportunity to secure a Cashmere at at least 30 per cent less than regular value.

STAPLE GOODS.

We are filling up again. White cottons are down, and purchasers will find on examination of our Cottons, Ducks, Denims, Shirtings, Cottonades, and (Linton Cassimeres, special lines) that our prices are the lowest. We are the only house in Acton that handle these goods, which are scarce on account of the increasing demand since their value has become known. We open two case, of these goods this week—(don't fail to see them.)

Special Values in all kinds of Linen Goods, Hosiery and Gents' Furnishins.

Millinery Goods.

Summer trade has opened up with us in full blast, and to meet the great demand for Fashionable Millinary, we have ordered, to arrive this week, several cases of Ladies and Misses latest New York styles of Hats and Bonnets, in Straw Leghorn, Tape and other materials. Don't fail to see these goods before leaving you orders for summer wear.

Solid Leather Boots and Shoes.

We are the only house in Acton that sell J. D. King's solid leather Boots, Shoes, Slippers, &c. We will guarantee every pair. We can furnish you with cheap Eastern work, same as other houses, if you want them, but it will pay you to buy solid leather goods only, and get them warranted. They cost but a trifle more. Please give us a call for these goods and we will guarantee you satisfaction.

GROCERIES.

We sell Groceries cheap. Good Butter for sale from 15 to 20 cents. Seed Potatoes for sale, 60 cents a bag.

C. B. GRIFFIN.

CITY GROCERY.

W. H. HOWELL

HAS ON HAND A VERY LARGE ASSORTMENT OF CANNED GOODS, PICKLES AND SAUCES.

A GOOD SUPPLY OF HAMS, BACON AND LARD CONSTANTLY ON HAND.

PEOPLE WISHING TO GET A FIRST CLASS ARTICLE, WILL FIND IT TO THEIR ADVANTAGE TO PATRONIZE THIS HOUSE, WHERE THEY CAN CHOOSE FROM A LARGE AND WELL ASSORTED STOCK.

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED A FRESH SUPPLY OF THAT CELEBRATED 50 CENT TEA, WHICH HAS GAINED SUCH A REPUTATION THROUGH ITS OWN MERITS. WE WILL SELL THIS TEA IN 5 POUND LOTS AT 45 CENTS PER POUND.

WE ALSO GIVE 13½ POUNDS GOOD BRIGHT SUGAR FOR $1.00

W. H. HOWELL, ACTON.

1883 **SPRING OPENING.** 1883

TO THE PEOPLE OF ACTON AND SURROUNDING COUNTRY:

We take much pleasure in announcing that our stock of General Goods is very complete in every department, and has been bought Closer than ever, and shall be sold CLOSER THAN EVER.

MILLINERY DEPARTMENT.

We would announce that we have an extra choice selection of all goods that pertain to this department, in Flowers, Feathers, and everything kept in a first class house, and all at the Very Closest Prices. All goods trimmed in the very latest style, by experienced milliners. All we ask is an inspection. Our Millinery Opening will be on

SATURDAY, 14th APRIL, 1883,

When we hope to see all our old customers and many new ones.

MANTLE GOODS DEPARTMENT.

We have this season bought a stock of Black Silks, Silk Brocades and Satins, which we know are bought right, and shall be sold right.

DRESS GOODS DEPARTMENT.

In this line we have some extra good value, in Check and Plain, Nuns Veiling, which are attracting great attention, and a line of Colored Cashmeres at 25 cents, and a job line at 12½ and 15 cents per yard. Everyone that wants a cheap Spring Dress should see our Black Cashmere stock, which is now complete. It is needless for us to mention anything about these goods, as every person who has seen our Blue Black Cashmeres at 50 cents knows that it beats anything ever shown at the price. Big Stock of Prints, at lower prices than last season, which we would like you to see—in all, over 200 pieces—from 6 cents per yard upward.

GENTS' FURNISHING DEPARTMENT.

We have now to hand and are showing an excellent stock of Gents White and Colored shirts, and also a fine stock of Felt and Straw Hats. Collars, Cuffs, Braces, Ties, in endless variety.

STAPLE DEPARTMENT.

We have this season a heavy stock of Cottonades better value than shown before, and also the Famous Dundas Shirting, which for quality cannot be beat, and also very full lines of Factory, Hollands, Towellings, at very low prices. See them.

ORDERED CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

Stock now full and choice. This department will have the very best attention, and all orders entrusted to us will have our best person supervision. All goods made right, and made to fit in the latest fashions. Come and be SUITED at once, as the rush has already commenced.

BOOT & SHOE DEPARTMENT.

We would like all parties who are wanting a good durable Boot or Shoe, to call on us and we will be able to show them goods in this line at low prices, as we buy all our goods from the manufacturers direct, saving the wholesale and middlemen's profit, which we give our patrons the benefit of. We give 5 per cent, off to any person who buys 5 pairs and upwards. We have a few Job Lines which we are rushing off at an immense reduction.

GROCERY DEPARTMENT.

We have a stock of Groceries which are all fresh and cheap. See our Bright Sugar, 13½ lbs. for $1.00, and also another lot of that Famous Fifty Cent Tea just to hand, better than ever.

We shall this season pay the very highest market price for Good Fresh Butter and Eggs. Come and leave us your money and produce, and we shall give you better value than ever.

Come one and all and Secure Bargains.

Remember the Old Stand

THE GLASGOW HOUSE.

NELSON & M'RAE,

Successors to Christie, Henderson & Co.