RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWA

GOING EAST.		GOING WEST	
Mixed	3.47 a.m.	Express	12.60 a.m.
Express	7.10 a.m.	Express	3.30 a.m.
Pass. (mail)	10.00 a.m.	Express	1.40 p.m.
Through Ex.	3.45 p.m.	Mail	3.45 p.m.
Special	9.53 p.m.	Special	6.37 p.m.

TIME OF CLOSING MAILS.

Going West.—9.15 a.m.
Going East.—9.15 a.m. and 3.10 p.m.
English mail closes at 9.15 a.m. on Thursday.

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The leading store in Acton for School Books, Bibles, Albums, Envelopes, Note Paper, Pens, Ink, Pass Books, Toys, Dolls, Purses, Vases, Pocket Knives, Razors, Combs, Hair Brushes, Nail and Tooth Brushes, Wedding and Birthday Presents, Berlin Wools, Zephyr Wools (all shades), Cructs, Table Spoons, Tea Spoons, Butter Knives, Table Knives and Forks, Watches, Clocks, Jewellery and Spectacles, a large stock. Call in. Geo. Hynds' Jewellery & Fancy Goods Store, Acton, Ont.

Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY MORNING, FEB. 14, 1884.

WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT IT?

There is nothing we dislike more than dunning and collecting, and yet this is necessary in every business. A large number of patrons are indebted to this office, in sums of different magnitude, the majority of whom could pay up without the least possible trouble or inconvenience. Some think that their indebtedness is so small that paying it would be hardly perceptible, but this is a great mistake, as nearly all the receipts in newspaper offices are in small sums. The number of them is what counts, so if the reader of this paragraph owes only a dollar let him not think that its smallness will prevent its doing any good. After this is read we expect that numerous responses will be given without any delay. Will you be one to comply?

H. P. MOORE,
Free Press Office,
Acton, Ontario.

BITS OF BREVITY.

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

—Lent commences on the 20th inst.

—Valentines decorate the stationers' windows.

—How would a leap year carnival suit the skaters.

—More snow storms this week, and another thaw, too.

—Valentines will fly to-day. Of course they'll all be pretty ones.

—Five Fridays this month. This will not occur again until the year 1912.

—The post office officials will have their hands full to-day. It's St. Valentine's day.

—Mr. A. A. Secord, sr., has been appointed assessor for 1884. His salary is to be increased $10.

—A full attendance is requested at the meeting of the debating society at the Town Hall this evening.

—There have been several cases of scarlet fever among the children in town during the past two or three weeks.

—There is some talk of a company being formed to erect a new skating rink, in some central position in town, next summer.

—Every member of Acton Lodge I.O.O.F. is requested to be present at the meeting to-morrow evening, important business.

—A very successful social and literary entertainment was held in the Methodist Church, Eden Mills, last Monday evening.

—Eight applications for the offices of Caretaker of Town Hall, and Lamplighter, were presented at the Council meeting on Tuesday evening.

—We are informed that a couple of Limehouse business men have rented Matthews' store and intend putting in a stock of groceries and hardware.

—Mr. Geo. P. Tolton informs us that he will have something to say to our readers respecting the case of Tolton *vs.* Arthurs, in next issue of the FREE PRESS.

—The cells in the New Town Hall were occupied all night for the first time on Tuesday night. A couple of tramps found them very comfortable lodgings.

—Berlin brass band has "thrown up the sponge," says the *News*. This is to be regretted, as the Berlin band occupied a foremost position amongst amateurs.

—The Council purposes charging $2 each for all dogs in the municipality hereafter, instead of $1 as formerly. "Shoot the dogs" will now be the order of the day.

—Mr. Robert Bennelt, of Georgetown, was before the Police Magistrate again a week ago, on a charge of illegal liquor selling, but for lack of evidence the case was dismissed.

—Mr. Carrique is talking of contesting Mr. Husband's election as 2dd Deputy Reeve of Trafalgar. Burlington Reeveship is also spoken of as being in the Election Court.—*Champion.*

—The devil at this office came in rather late and drowsy on Tuesday morning, and on being asked by the foreman his reasons for being so late, he replied: "I thought this was a leap year."

—Special services will be inaugurated in the Methodist Church, Nassagaweya, next week. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Henders, will be assisted by Rev. W. Byers, of Acton, several nights next week.

—She was complimenting him on the appearance of his costume, at the carnival Monday night, when he replied: "Now, s—s, don't be giving me so much taffy; it makes me so all stuck up like."

VILLAGE VARIETIES.

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

—We invite a comparison of the FREE PRESS from week to week with any other local paper. The FREE PRESS is acknowledged to be the best local paper in this district, and our large and growing circulation attests the truth of the matter.

—A donation tea-meeting will be given in the Ballinafad M. E. Church this evening, for the benefit of Rev. G. W. Dewey, junior pastor of the Georgetown Circuit M. E. Church. A good programme has been arranged and a very pleasant time is anticipated.

—This is a good season for advertising, and the FREE PRESS presents an excellent medium for reaching those people who have leisure for reading in winter, more than during any other portion of the year. The circulation of the FREE PRESS is steadily increasing and it is read throughout.

—"Our Little Ones" for February has been received. It is the best juvenile magazine published on the continent, and its monthly appearance is invariably hailed with delight by the little people. The contents are pure, interesting and instructive. Send 15 cents to Russell Pub. Co., Boston, Mass., for a copy, and see for yourselves.

—An exchange observes that the greediest man after a local newspaper is the one who is too mean to subscribe. He is always waiting for the latest paper, and it is not two minutes on the subscriber's premises till the non-subscriber pounces upon it and never lets up till the last line is read. His last act is usually to cast it aside with the remark that he could make a better local paper himself.

A New Cemetery for Acton.

At the last meeting of the Municipal Council the very important question of providing a new cemetery was brought up for discussion. It was decided to call a meeting of the ratepayers at an early date to consider the matter. Due notice of the meeting will be given.

Convalescent.

The many friends of both political parties of Wm. Kerns, Esq., M.P.P. for Halton, will be glad to learn that he is fast recovering from the illness that has confined him to his house for a couple of weeks, and that he hopes to be able to resume in a few days his parliamentary duties at Toronto.

Orange Blossoms.

About sixty guests assembled at the residence of James McMillan, Esq., Nassagaweya, on the 30th Jan., on the occasion of the wedding of his daughter, Miss Kate McMillan, the bridegroom being Mr. James Moore, of Nassagaweya. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. Neil, assisted by Rev. Wm. S. McTavish, cousin of the bride.

Bennett vs. G. T. Railway Withdrawn.

The case of Bennett *vs.* the G. T. R'y Co. has been withdrawn from the courts, each party paying their own costs. Besides receiving no compensation for his loss Mr. Bennett will have to pay several hundred dollars of costs. Large corporations like the Grand Trunk are difficult to come at.—*Georgetown Herald.*

New Burglar Alarms.

Drive a headless nail into the casing over any door, and after closing the door hang a tin pan on the nail when you go to bed. That is to say, do all this if you are naturally timid and want a cheap burglar alarm that will work every time. A clothes pin put against the handle of a key will strike against the door knob and make it impossible to turn the key with nippers from the other side.

Mrs. Pech's Lecture.

The lecture of Mrs. Susannah Evans Pech in the Methodist Church last evening was very largely attended. The lecture was interesting, instructive and entertaining, a most encouraging review of the temperance work throughout this continent was given, and the position of the women in relation to the cause was fully explained and vindicated.

Tea-Meeting at Church Hill.

The members of Church Hill Congregational Church, near Acton, will give one of their excellent old-fashioned tea-meetings next Tuesday evening. The following speakers have been invited to be present:—Rev's Bryers and Cameron, Acton; Robertson and Dewey, Georgetown; Dobson, Ballinafad; Fowlie, Erin, and the pastor of the church, Rev. G. Scarr. Good music will be provided. All are invited.

Does It Pay?

An Ontario merchant, when asked the above question the other day, answered:—"My advertising bills amount to hundreds of dollars annually, and my success in business I attribute to judicious advertising." This is the answer of every successful business man. A merchant who does not constantly keep his name before the public in the press might almost as well take his sign down and discharge his clerks. People seldom go where they are not invited.

A Beneficial Change.

A new feature has been introduced into the Wednesday evening prayermeeting service in the Methodist Church. Instead of devoting the whole time to prayer, a half hour or so is devoted to a review of the Sabbath School lesson for the ensuing Sunday, by the pastor, with questions, &c., by the teachers of the school. This interesting feature promises to be an attraction to the meeting, and will undoubtedly be of much benefit to the teachers and to the school.

Anniversary Services.

Our readers are again reminded that the members of the Methodist Church, Acton, will hold their anniversary services next Sunday and Monday. Rev. W. Briggs, of Toronto, will preach on Sunday at 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m., and Rev. E. H. Dewart, D. D., will deliver a lecture on Monday evening, on "Christian Union." An oyster social will form part of the proceedings on Monday evening. These services promise to be of a most interesting character, and we hope to see them largely attended. Admission 25 cents. Doors open at 6.30. Lecture etc., begins at 7.30.

Magnificent Carnival Paper.

The great Carnival number of the *Montreal Star* has come to hand. It is truly a valuable souvenir, and is the most profusely illustrated Paper of the kind ever published in Canada.

New Newspaper Dress.

The *Milton News* came to hand last week in a neat and becoming new dress of type. The *News* appeared to very good advantage in its old costume, but then its proprietor is one of those men who desire to be abreast of the times, consequently the present improvement. If the *News* only had sufficient independence to throw away its patent outside now, it would occupy even a more prominent place than at present among country weeklies.

Crooked Whiskey Sellers.

At the police court on Tuesday the case against Mary Hamilton, Chas. Morsland, John C. McMurray, Wm. Parkhill, Wm. Irwin, Ellen O'Connor, Peter Green and Wm. Glen were remanded. Jerry Scechan was fined $50 and costs; Samuel Wicks was fined $20 and costs each on two charges; Mary Hamilton was fined $20 and costs each on two charges; Wm. Marsland fined $20 and costs each on two charges; Herbert A. Seaton fined $20 and costs each on three charges; John C. McMurray fined $20 and costs each on two charges; and Wm. Parkhill and Wm. Irwin $20 and costs each.—*Toronto Truth.*

The Joys of Coasting.

Did you ever stand near a hill in winter and watch the boys coasting and not wish you were a boy again just for an hour? How jolly a crowd of coasters always are! Every boy seems to have an idea that he must talk and shout or something will burst, and they all try to do it at once. The keen fresh air and invigorating exercise makes the lungs demand exercise, and nature asserts her sway by making the boys exercise their lungs by shouting and talking. See the laughing, sparkling eyes and rosy cheeks of the youngsters. Fun? Was there ever a place on this earth where a boy gets more fun than while coasting? And a large number of our Acton boys enjoyed this sport to the full extent last Saturday afternoon.

Chromatic Printing.

This style of poster printing is getting to be "the rage" because of the pretty work done at the *Conservator* office. There's no poster so attractive and pretty as one worked in bright and varied colors; and there's no office in York, Peel, Halton or Dufferin that can turn out this sort of work as fast, pretty and showy as the *Conservator*. We have the best material, and workmen who know how it's done.—*Brampton Conservator.* Your claims are altogether too sweeping, dear *Conservator*. We can't answer for York, Peel, or Dufferin counties, but the public know a printing office in Halton where chromatic printing, equal in every respect to that turned out at the *Conservator* office, is executed, and if our friend of the *Conservator* will visit the ACTON FREE PRESS office we will take pleasure in showing him samples which will convince him of this fact.

Serious Accident.

On Tuesday, while engaged in chopping in the bush, alone, Mr. Thomas Lamb, of the fifth concession, near this village, met with an accident of a very serious and painful character. While at work a heavy limb fell, striking Mr. Lamb upon the head and other parts of the body, rendering him unconscious. In this condition he lay for about three hours, with his face in the snow, before any one became aware of his perilous condition. As soon as discovered he was removed to his residence, by his brother, Mr. M. Lamb, and a neighbor, and medical aid was immediately sent for. It is ascertained that Mr. Lamb's injuries are of a most serious nature. A deep gash is cut in his head, his arms and one leg seem to be paralyzed, as well as minor injuries. The physician in attendance entertains strong hopes for his recovery.

School Matters in Milton.

The *Milton News* of last week has the following:—"Perhaps the ratepayers of Milton, who have to pay heavy taxes yearly for the support of the public school, are not aware that since the completion of the new addition, one of the lower class rooms is being used as a wood house. Perhaps they are not aware, either, that fires were kept all through the winter vacation, and are still kept going from Friday nights till Monday mornings. Perhaps they are not aware also that many of the pupils complain that some of the class rooms are not sufficiently heated during school hours. They are doubtless aware that no report of the School Board meetings is ever furnished for publication, consequently all the doings of the Board are unknown save to the members. The people ought to enquire into these things, as our school is the most expensive thing the town has to maintain. There are several other things the ratepayers should look into and pass judgment upon." The above is certainly not a very commendable state of affairs for our county town.

The Band Carnival.

The carnival held on Monday evening, in aid of Acton Cornet Band, was very largely attended, there being quite a representation from Georgetown, Milton, &c., There was a large number of costumers, exhibiting a great variety of styles and designs. The several contests resulted as follows:—Best lady skater, in costume, Miss Alice Henderson, 2nd, Miss Lottie Hemstreet; Fastest lady and gent, ten laps, Miss Lily King and Mr. Willie King, 2nd, Miss Statham and Mr. W. Speight; Barrel race, Briggs Nicklin; Best dressed lady, Miss Minnie Secord; Best dressed gent, Mr. H. Worden. But the race of the evening was that of the members of the Band. This created considerable amusement, and there was considerable speculation as to who among the boys would win the laurels. There were ten entries, but only four or five of the contestants stuck out for prizes. Mr. [illegible] was first, [illegible] in his lady visitor, Mr. D. Bell being second. The manager of the rink informs us that another Carnival will be held in [illegible].

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Just the Thing the People Want! Cheap Goods and Good Goods, and the Very Best Value for Their Money.

HERE IS THE BEST VALUE IN THE MARKET.

LOOK AT THIS LIST OF $5.00 LOTS:

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13 lbs. Sugar, 5 lbs. 50 cent Tea, $1.75 Lamp, 40 cent Pitcher, for $5.00

6 lbs. 25c. Tea, 1 Toilet Sett, (4 Pieces), 1 doz. Tea Plates, 6 lbs. Currants (new), 6 lbs. Raisins (new), 1 covered dish, for $5.00

12 lbs. Sugar, 1 Sett Dishes, 70c Platter, 80c Pitcher, 2 lbs. 50c Tea, for $5.00

1 Toilet Sett (9 pieces), 55c. Fruit Dish, $1.50 Lamp, 1 lb. 50c. Tea, n8c5B.2a ofSraop s, r $5.00

1 doz. Breakfast Plates, $1.25 Glass Sett, 2 lbs. 75c. Tea, 2 lbs. 40c. Coffee, $1 Cup and Saucer, 3 lbs. Biscuits, for $5.00

5 lbs. 40c. Tea, 10 lbs. Granulated Sugar, 1 doz. Goblets, 75c. Glass Pitcher, 1 doz. Dinner Plates, for $5.00

½ doz. China Cups & Saucers, $1.25 Cake Basket, 90c. Fruit Dish, 3 lb. 75c. Tea, (Black or Green), for $5.00

1 doz. Cups & Saucers, 90c. Platter, 80c. Scollop, 40c. Pitcher, 75c. Fruit Dish, $1.25 Glass Sett, Broom, 15 lbs. Rice, for $5.00

6½ lbs. Sugar, 2 lbs. 50c. Tea, 1 lb. Coffee, 4 Packages Corn Starch, 10 lbs. Rice, and a 60c. Lamp, 3 15c. Bowls, 2 Covered Dishes, 1 Pickle Dish, 60c., for $5.00

1 lb. Tobacco, 1 Large Tub, Wash Board, Scrub Brush, 1 Sett Colored dishes (Blue), for $5.00

½ doz. Nickel Silver Forks, ½ doz. Nickel Silver Dessert Spoons, $3.00 Lamp, 6 Large Cakes Toilet Soap, for $5.00

½ Bbl. Herrings, 50c. Lamp, Pitcher, 2 gallons Coal Oil, for $5.00

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We have decided for the next 30 days to offer our large stock of Winter Goods, consisting of Overcoats, Ready-made Clothing, Mantles, Mantle Cloths, Knitted Goods, in Shawls, Clouds, Hoods, &c., at less than cost price.

We are offering No. 1 Value in Gentleman's Lamb Caps, Felt Hats and Caps. A First-class Stylish Hat from 50 cents up.

Special value in Ladies Muffs, in Mink, Seal, Coney, &c., at less than cost price.

IN ORDERED CLOTHING

We are giving No. 1 value in Tweed Suitings. Good Workmanship and Perfect Fits guaranteed every time.

Boots and Shoes in endless variety, at less than manufacturers prices.

IN GROCERIES

We are giving the best values to be had in the County. Be sure and secure a box of those Layer Raisins. We are offering first-class fruit at $1.80 per box.

We have the most complete stock of 50 cent Teas, in Japan, Black and Green, to be found in town.

Splendid values in Sugars—18¼ lbs. Bright Sugar for One Dollar, and everything else in proportion.

Be sure and give us a call, and secure first-class goods at

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Clearing Sale Of Remnants of every description.

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Clearing Sale Of Winter Tweeds, and Winter Goods of all kinds, including Clouds, Squares, etc.

Great Bargains Will Be Given.

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We have just the goods you want, and you cannot buy them cheaper elsewhere, nor as cheap, I believe, by 20 per cent, as I will sell for cash, in order to clear out my stock by the first of April.

Will sell you Teas, Sugars, and other Groceries, cheaper than any other house in town.

KEEP THIS FACT IN YOUR MEMORY, AND TELL ALL YOUR FRIENDS TO GO TO

GRIFFIN'S

WITH THEIR CASH, FOR HIS MOTTO IS, NOT TO LET THE NIMBLE SIXPENCE SLIP, IN HOPE OF THE FUTURE SHILLINGS. I WILL NOT CARRY OVER ANY WINTER STOCK—IF I HAVE TO SELL IT AT HALF PRICE.

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