

RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.	
GOING EAST.	GOING WEST.
Mixed Express. 5:45 A.M.	Express. 11:30 A.M.
Express. 7:10 A.M.	Express. 1:30 P.M.
Passenger. 10:00 A.M.	Express. 2:30 P.M.
Passenger. 1:30 P.M.	Passenger. 3:30 P.M.
Passenger. 2:30 P.M.	Passenger. 4:30 P.M.
Passenger. 3:30 P.M.	Passenger. 5:30 P.M.
TIME OF CLOSING MAIL.	TIME OF CLOSING MAIL.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

We helped Santa Claus out of an embarrasment this season. The partly old friend of our childhood finds it impossible to reach the walls, wainscots, hung beside our modern bed-burners and patent fires, we therefore come to the rescue and putting our staves at his disposal, have filled it to overflowing with elegant Christmas presents.

Santa Claus' Main Depot is now open for your inspection. We invite you to call. You will be delighted.

GEO. HYNDS,
Santa Claus' Headquarters.

AT GEO. HYNDS, ACTON.

Xmas Gift Books, from 5c. to \$1.50.
Xmas Toy Books, 1c. upwards—just fancy a Complete Testament for 6c.

Bikes, a Large Stock.

Dolls, China and Ware; Toys; Cups and Saucers, China and Glass; Mugs, Cruts, Cake Baskets, Napkin Rings, Pickle Stands—the Finest Goods ever shown in Acton.

Xmas Annals coming in, leave your order early for them.

The Leading Store in Acton for Xmas, Wedding and Birthday Presents.

GEO. HYNDS, Dealer in Jewelry, Fancy Goods, School Books & Stationery.

Acton Free Press.

TUESDAY MORNING, Nov. 27 1884.

BITS OF BREVITY.

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

—Rink ripples will soon be raging.

—Leap year has only another month, girls.

—Board of Education next Monday evening.

—Has that tobogganing scheme fallen through?

—Indian Summer has vanished for this year anyway.

—Fire wood is in urgent demand. The supply is ample.

—Mr. Adam Cook has launched out in the milk business.

—Regular semi-monthly Council meeting next Tuesday evening.

—The Bell Telephone Co.'y has sixty-three subscribers in Guelph.

—Obstructions are lying on several of the streets in town contrary to law.

—Farmers in the vicinity of Guelph are shipping turnips at 12 cents per bushel.

—Get your mind's eye on candidates for municipal honors. The time is drawing nigh.

—Time marches on with the slow, measured tread of the average man working by the day.

—Mr. Donald Mann drove the first sleigh load of grain into market this season, on Tuesday morning.

—Mr. J. E. McGarvin has been appointed agent in Acton for Laurence's celebrated spectacles.

—An unusual amount of fall plowing has been done this season owing to the very favorable weather.

—The Christian Guardian, Toronto, will celebrate the new year by a new dress, a new press, and a new form.

—Stories of our exchanges will this week remark: "The joyous jingle of the merry sleigh bells is again heard on our streets."

—Wonder if there'll be a contest for the Refreshing this year. It would give us a jamb-jam joy time to have a good hot con test.

—Read the adv's in this issue. They will be found interesting and will direct you where to purchase cheap and seasonable goods.

—The Chairman of the Street and Sidewalk Committee has ordered a new lamp for the corner of Mill and Frederick streets. Thanks.

—A new G.T.R. time table is out. The morning train from the West arrives here about 11 o'clock, instead of 10 o'clock, as formerly.

—The party who took a tinsmith's hammer, belonging to Mr. Chas. Speight, from the work bench in Hill's tin shop, will oblige the owner by returning the same at once.

—Miss H. Gartrude Hart, acrobat, of Boston, will give an entertainment under the auspices of the Baptist Church, Georgetown, in the Town Hall, on Friday, 5th December.

—The new furnace for the Methodist Church, has arrived and is now being placed in position. Its principle is a common sense one, and will, we have no doubt, prove successful.

—The Temperance Hall, on Church st., was sold yesterday afternoon to Mr. John Cameron, architect and builder, for a reasonable sum. We believe Mr. Cameron intends converting it into dwellings. The Small Advertisement.

—The Presbytery of Guelph have sanctioned the call of Rev. John Neil, B.A., of Nassagawaya, to the Charles street Presbytery church, Toronto. The induction will take place some time next month.

—Messrs. J. D. Williamson & Co., of the Lion, Guelph, announce on our fourth page a great holiday gift entertainment in connection with their clearing sale. A partial of their adv. will show the attractions offered.

—The cemetery by law, which has lately been causing quite an excitement in Acton was defeated by a majority of fifteen. The Actionists are evidently anticipating long life, and too no hurry to secure a decent place of burial.—Georgetown Herald.

To those intending to build next season, we would say that there is economy in letting your contracts during the winter season. Building material can be laid down during the winter month for a considerably less sum than at any other time.

—Several of our citizens have in contemplation a visit to the World's Fair and Cotton Centennial Exposition at New Orleans, La., during the winter. The trip will be a grand one and the exposition will undoubtedly repay any who visit it.

—A letter was received the other day by the editor of the Free Press from a prominent Ottawa capitalist, asking him to take the cemetery debentures at two per cent premium. Pretty good offer, but we haven't bought the debentures for our Ottawa friend.

—Rev. Job. A. Williams, D.D., of St. Catharines, has been invited to take the pastorate of Norfolk street Methodist Church, Guelph, at the expiration of the present ecclesiastic year. He has accepted the invitation, subject to the approval of the Stationing Committee.

—We have received from New Orleans lithographs representing the various buildings which have been erected at immense cost for holding the World's Exposition which opens December 1st, next and closes next May. It is expected that very cheap railway fares will be issued from all parts for New Orleans this winter.

—The remains of the late Harry White-side, who died in Guelph on Monday, arrived here for interment by the 11 a.m. train yesterday. He was son of the late Robert Whiteside, who was so foully murdered at his home about five miles from here, seven years ago. This is the fourth child which has died since the murder of their father.

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—Mr. EDITOR.—Dear Sir.—I am informed that certain parties in Acton hold rallies for fowl, etc., every Saturday night, and that large numbers of the lads of the place are induced to be present and participate in the gambling business conducted by the managers of the concern. This is to be deplored. I call the attention of the authorities to this matter, and trust they will put forth every effort to stamp out all such vicious and illegal organizations, erasing a stain from the character of our fair town and remove temptation away from our boys. I am, yours etc., A Father.

VILLAGE VARIETIES.

A collection of local news and other matters of special interest to our village readers.

Clear Your Sidewalks of Snow.

A By-Law of this municipality provides that by 10 o'clock a.m., after every snow storm, the sidewalks must be cleared of snow by the owners or occupants of the properties alongside of which sidewalks are situated. Acton has generally enjoyed a good reputation for carefully cleaned sidewalks during the winter months, and we trust that due attention will be given the matter this winter.

Burglary.

Last Friday night burglars broke into the Knitting Factory of Mr. A. W. Green, and relieved his shelves of about \$200 worth of knitted goods. They entered by a back door. Among the goods stolen was a parcel containing a special order which he had made ready for the morning express. Burglars entered Mr. Green's residence a few months ago and he is beginning to think the thing a little monotonous, and hopes in future they will pass him by.

A Compliment to Miss Hastings.

Says the Toronto World:—"Mlle Albaun has now a rival in the person of Miss Hastings, of Guelph, who is said to possess a voice equal if not superior to that of the Quebec prima donna. Professionals who have heard Miss Hastings sing predict a brilliant future for her in the musical world." Our readers will remember Miss Hastings at a concert here a year ago. Her singing on that occasion won admiration from all. She is a universal favorite.

Clear the Front.

The Glasgow House, in a new announcement in these columns this week, presents a number of attractions in the way of special bargains in seasonable goods. The firm claims that they are offering goods now at rock bottom prices. The quotations they make in a number of lines are certainly attractive.

Messrs. Nelson, McRae & Co. with the public to understand that it will be no object for any one to visit Guelph or Toronto for cheap goods, as they are prepared to supply goods at lower prices than are quoted in other towns.

THE CRADLE.

Snowmen.—In Acton on the 24th Nov., the wife of Mr. C. C. Speight, carriage painter, of a daughter.

McLaughlin.—At Crescenzo's corners on the 2nd inst., the wife of Mr. H. P. McLaughlin, of a daughter.

THE ALTAR.

BRIDAL.—Meadows.—At the residence of the bride's father, in Rockwood, on the 26th inst., by Rev. W. Sparling, Mr. George Speight, of Acton, to Mary Augusta McLain, of the same place.

THE GRAVE.

WARRIOR.—At the residence of his mother, corner Sydenham and Southampton st., Guelph, on the 24th November, Harry Whiteside, aged 30 years.

Cakes of all descriptions, fresh, at the Excelsior Bakery.

Fresh Oatmeal for sale at the Excelsior Bakery, E. Nicklin & Son.

Remember Howson will pay 20c. per pound for No. 1 butter and 20c. per dozen for any quantity of fresh eggs.

Sabbath School Entertainments.

The friends of the Methodist Sabbath School, will hold their usual anniversary on Monday evening, 22nd December. A good programme will be provided. St. Alban's Sunday School will hold their Christmas entertainment on Friday evening, 26th December. The singing of the children will form an interesting part in the evening's proceedings.

The Effect upon the Printer.

Two pages of the Acton Free Press were blank last week, and an explanatory note credited it to "an accident that generally befalls every printing office once or twice in a life-time." The uninformed may not know what that accident was, but the bare mention of it will make the poor printer tremble and hardly speak of it above his breath.—Port Elgin Free Press.

Right you are, friend Johnson. The members of the craft are fully qualified to sympathize with each other in any such misfortune, but after all they are not given to "making a song about it."

His Last Resort.

The following is going the rounds:—A great newspaper reader was out hunting recently, and a storm coming up he crept into a hollow log for shelter. After the storm abated, he endeavored to crawl out, but found that the log had swelled so that it was impossible to make his exit. He endeavored to compress himself as much as possible, but with indifferent success. He thought of all the mean things he had ever done, until finally his mind reverted to the fact that instead of subsiding for his local paper he was in the habit of troubling it from his neighbor, and thus doffing its ruffianism. On this, he felt so small that he slipped out of the log without an effort.

Acton Literary and Musical Association.

The Literary Society was met last Thursday evening by a large number of ladies and gentlemen who were desirous of becoming members of the Association, provided one or two subjects were added to the programme laid down by the original society. The basis of union was thoroughly discussed and it was considered advisable that amalgamation take place. The Society will now be known as "Acton Literary and Musical Association."

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