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HOME GLEANINGS.
 Which are Mostly of a Local Character and All Interesting.
Acton Spring Show.
 The annual spring show of entire horses in Acton, to be held on Tuesday, 10th April to the exhibition park, when an excellent lot of prizes will be awarded in the various classes. The prize list is considerably larger than that of last year, and a very successful show is anticipated. The same rules and regulations as last year will govern the proceedings. The officers for the year are as follows:—Wm. Hennefer, Pres. T. H. Harding, Sec.; Treas. Directors: Joseph Holmes, James Matthews, Samuel Johnston, Adam Cook, John Lawson, W. S. John Harvey and Joseph Anderson. The officers are exerting themselves to assure the success of 1889's show.
 The Attorney-General's attention has been directed to the existence of a band of young ruffians at Georgetown who style themselves "White Caps," and terrify citizens, small ladies on the street, and show signs of lawlessness. The County Crown Attorney of Halifax has been directed to investigate, and an effort will be spared to stamp out this ruffianism. The local authorities have been unable to cope with the band.—*Toronto News*. It is to be regretted that these youthful fiends have been allowed to get the upper hand. The Attorney-General's attention having been attracted some of them will likely land in Kingston.
 A *Struck Housemaid*.
 The following from Monday's Toronto News refers to an uncle and sister of Mrs. Thomas T. Moore, wife of the Principal of Acton Public School:—In a house on Pacific avenue, West Toronto Junction, there are two corpses, the result of paralysis. Yesterday Philip Rose, one of the oldest residents of York County, and a brother of Dr. Rose of this city, was stricken down. Mrs. George Graham, a sister of Mrs. Rose, received a stroke in the house yesterday, and died. The physician, however, who was summoned afterward, thought the trouble was heart disease. Mrs. John Asmus, of 237 Major street, a niece of the late Mr. Rose, went out to the Junction, and becoming laid out on the way, died. She received a stroke of paralysis also. For some time her condition was very critical.
 "The Life of Christ."
 The Young People's Union of the Methodist Church here have completed arrangements for the presentation of M. A. W. Strubbers' of St. Thomas, beautiful religious picture exhibition of the "Life of Christ." This exhibition comprises a series of pictures depicting in artistic execution and coloring magnificent life principal events in the life of our Saviour, and are brought out on canvas full life size. Mr. Strubbers gave his splendid exhibition here a couple of years ago, and those who saw it were delighted and very much impressed therewith. Since it increased in Acton, the exhibition has been shown in a variety of places, and is now at the act of a powerful instrument has been added as well. Referring to the exhibition as given in Shelburne a few weeks ago, the *Standard* says:—"The principal part of the exhibition, however, was the scenes in 'The Life of Christ,' every one of which impressed the hearts and consciences of those who viewed it. The impressions left upon the minds of those present will not be easily effaced." The entertainment will take place in the church on Tuesday evening, 16th inst.
The Monthly Examination.
 The examinations of the pupils of the public school were held last Friday and resulted as follows:—
First Department.
 Spelling—S. E. Laird, 202; Annie Stephenson, 251; Geo. Perkins, 517.
Intermediate.—Bella Stephenson, 351; Mabel Brown, 390; J. J. Pearson, 259.
Johnston.—Minnie Moore, 220; Ellen Henderson, 215; Clara Moore, 215.
Spelling.—Wm. McNab, 221; Maggie Cressell, 203; Fred Ryder, 128.
Marks possible, 200. Thor. T. Moore, teacher.
Second Department.
Spelling.—Ralph Smith, 252; Bessie Cameron, 145; Charlie Moore, 222.
Arithmetic.—Robt. Garvey, 169; Geo. McGill, 164; Edna Thurgood, 158.
Johnston.—Minnie Edwards, 221; George Mann, 207; Robt. McPherson, 197.
Marks possible, 200. Cassie McPherson, teacher.
Third Department.
Spelling.—John Edwards, 217; Ellen Steney, 227; Ada Francis, 225; Bertie McCann, 225.
Intermediate.—John McDonald, 275; Allen Campbell, 237; Arthur Moore, 218.
Johnston.—Leona Holmes, 231; Minnie Holmes, 225; Russell Cameron, 197.
Marks possible, 300. Maggie Melville, teacher.
 Owing to the illness of Miss McLaughlin no examination was held in the fourth department.
The Millinery Opening.
 Last Saturday was ladies' day, and from an early hour in the afternoon it was easily seen that an occasion of so small importance to the ladies of Acton and vicinity was occupying their attention to a very unusual extent. The opportunity to thoroughly gratify their love of the beautiful in everything that pertains to their adornment. Indeed the ladies were present in such numbers, both at R. B. Jermyn's and the Glasgow House that when our reporter visited the showrooms it was with difficulty that he could obtain even a glimpse of the new and novel beauties of dress and headgear. However, the voluntary expressions of admiration by the ladies present were sufficient to satisfy the *Free Press* that the beautiful goods and artistic labor had wrought out many becoming combinations.
 A very handsome display was made of trimmed hats and bonnets, fancy ribbons, flowers, etc., that were very beautifully arranged and reflected the greatest credit upon the lady in charge, Miss Carrie Smith. From an early hour the store was full of ladies. The leading combination of colors is green and black, in the various shades of Nile, Main, Printemps, Chantreux, etc., while the Fustians, Diaperes, Laid, Regent, etc. are the shades in favor with the public. The whole spring stock is worthy of careful inspection, and is sure to attract marked attention. The exhibition continued from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.
 At 11 p.m. the ladies' day was over, and preparations had been going on all the week for the military opening on Monday day. The main centre of attraction of course being the very handsome and elaborate display of all kinds of trimmed hats, bonnets, fancy ribbons, flowers, etc. The show room had been specially decorated for the occasion. The display included the newest styles and styles and was greatly admired by the ladies, all speaking in the highest terms of the skill of Miss Peniston, the lady in charge of this department. The whole display was a good one, and showed the result of labor, care and thought. All the other departments are crowded with new goods.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.
 Furnished by Correspondents, Culled From Packages and Picked up by the Way.
KNATHUBULL.
 While Mr. Robinson Anderson, accompanied by his wife and cousin, Miss Campbell, were on their way to church last Sunday morning, and Mr. William Darby who was also driving were passing, their rig came in contact with the result that Mr. Anderson's was upset and the occupants thrown out, the rig badly damaged. Fortunately no one was injured beyond receiving a severe shaking up and a bad scare.
 The last few days has put the brakes on sugar making, but April Fool day is past now.
 Sunday was March's last day of grace and a regular snow storm caused the snow falling to the depth of three or four inches.
ERIN.
 Maple sugar making is the order of the day. Quite a number of farmers in the township are at it.
 We vote on the Scott Act to day. Many feel that it will be a calamity if the Act is repealed.
 Mr. John Clarke, of Brandon, Man., son of John Clarke, of this township, has ended his holidays and returned home last week.
 Mr. R. H. Atkins, our most esteemed consular agent, was home on a visit last Friday evening, the occasion being the celebration of his parent's silver wedding. We are under the impression that Tom will soon celebrate another wedding.—*Advertiser*.
 William Gamble and family left here last week for Portage La Prairie.
 Arch. Thomson, of Hillsboro, left for Brandon on Thursday evening.
 Mr. C. J. McMillan shipped five cases of potatoes from Hillsboro for police east last week.
 Mr. W. Stewart and family removed this week to their new home near Collingwood.
MILTON.
 William Pitman and George Gibbs were up before Justice Robertson and Lindsay the other day, but although numerous witnesses were heard it was impossible to secure a conviction. The Crooks Act is greatly well framed as far as convictions are concerned.
 Robert Sherwood, Thomas Sherwood, John Barry and John Cochran, charged with the robbery of the house of Archibald Robertson, of Niasagawey, and committed for trial by Justice Robertson and Lindsay. They pleaded not guilty, and after hearing the evidence His Honor reserved judgment.
 Three Nelson men left Milton Tuesday on the C. P. R. Colonist train. They were Messrs. J. Houston, C. Worthington and D. Agnew, and their destination was Douglas, where Mr. Agnew has been living for five years, and where he has a farm of 200 acres.—*Advertiser*.
 During the Scott Act there were 21 cases and course of quarter sessions at which there were no criminal convictions. At the last sessions there were two criminal cases.—*Advertiser*.
ROCKWOOD.
 On Sunday morning the Rev. Dr. Strachan preached the 150th Anniversary sermon of his parishes in Rockwood to a congregation now numbering 60 or 70 families and which when he took the charge consisted of only 17.
 A meeting in the interest of the Scott Act will be held in the Town Hall tonight at which parties from Guelph and the resident ministers will deliver addresses. An all-day prayer meeting will be held in the Methodist church on Thursday, the day of voting on repeal of the Act in Wellington.
 "Tom" Moore, a notorious character in this neighborhood, is at present living at the expense of the county. It appears that one night last week he went home drunk and with a knife chased his sister and another young lady around the house and had a good time generally. Unfortunately for "Tom" an information was laid before Squire Strange with the result that he now languishes in the jail at Guelph, a place good enough for him.
 The entertainment given at the Hall last Friday evening by the Star Comedy Company was very good, but, owing to not being well advertised the attendance was small. But if the S. C. C. pays us another visit we bespeak it a better house.
GEORGETOWN.
 The township Council has commenced their session's grants to farmers who have had sheep killed by dogs. A by-law was passed at last session.
 The frame building on Main street, owned by Messrs. McKinlay & Warren narrowly escaped destruction by fire one evening last week. The fire originated in the rear of a confectionary store and the back of several buildings were damaged. The fire Co. did good service in saving the block.
 Cookman Bros. recently received orders from Spain, France, New Zealand, &c. for nearly \$1000 worth of their knitting machinery.—*Herald*. This enterprising firm is to be congratulated upon their success.
 Revival prayer-meetings have been held in the Methodist church during the last two weeks. The attendance is very fair and the interest is very encouraging.—*Herald*.
 Mr. W. W. King has just been granted new patents for improvements on his excellent system of steam heating.
 Mr. H. W. King has been charged about \$100 for tax this year when he claims that the by-law exempting him for ten years does not expire for a year yet. Mr. King feels considerably aggrieved over the matter and concludes a letter to the *Herald* as follows:—"With a few notable exceptions I have been treated here in Georgetown as if I were not wanted, and as 75 per cent. of my property is movable you can probably foresee what will be the result when occasion offers a chance for retaliation."
 Death of an old Niasagawey Settler.
 There was no better known or more highly respected resident of Niasagawey, outside the ranks of public life, than Jeremiah Smith, who died on the 25th ultimo. Mr. Smith had been ailing for some time and his death was not unexpected. He was a resident of the township for many years. He occupied the position of alder in the Presbyterian church, but would never accept any municipal office or other public position.
 Brimston has a variety of local Saturday night papers. A few weeks ago the *Cornerator* commenced the publication of *Saturday Evening*. The following week the *Banner* placed its *Kicker* before the citizens, and last Saturday afternoon the *Times* indicated the *Greater* upon a long-suffering public. Each paper has merit from a typographical standpoint but their columns contain more trash to the square inch than the regular weekly editions of the office devote to a page. A few weeks hence *Orator*, *Kicker* and *Saturday Evening* will pen their mournful valedictions.

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 Town of Brucebridge.
 Brucebridge, Ont., April 1.—Brucebridge was incorporated into a town by the last session of the Ontario Parliament, and nomination for its municipal officers took place to-day, resulting in all the candidates being returned by acclamation as follows: Mayor, S. H. Armstrong; Beere, W. W. Kinsey; Council—Ward No. 1, J. A. Wells, G. Fuller; No. 2, A. Hunt, W. Sibbett; No. 3, H. B. Dwyer, R. Bwain.
 March went out with a persistent snow storm from the east all day. As a result about six inches of fell. April's sun; soon dispersed the fleecy mantle.
Rich and Poor.
 Prince and Peasant, the Millionaire and Day Laborer, by their common use of this remedy, afford the world-wide reputation of Ayer's Pills. Leading physicians recommend these pills for Stomach and Liver Troubles, Constipation, Biliousness, and Sick Headache; also, for Rheumatism, Jaundice, and Neuralgia. They are sugar-coated, contain no alcohol; are prompt, but mild in operation; and, therefore, the very best medicine for Family Use, as well as for Travellers and Tourists.
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 "Ayer's Pills have been in use in my family upwards of twenty years and have completely verified all that is claimed for them. In attacks of piles, from which I suffered many years, they afforded greater relief than any other medicine I ever tried."—T. F. Adams, Holly Springs, Texas.
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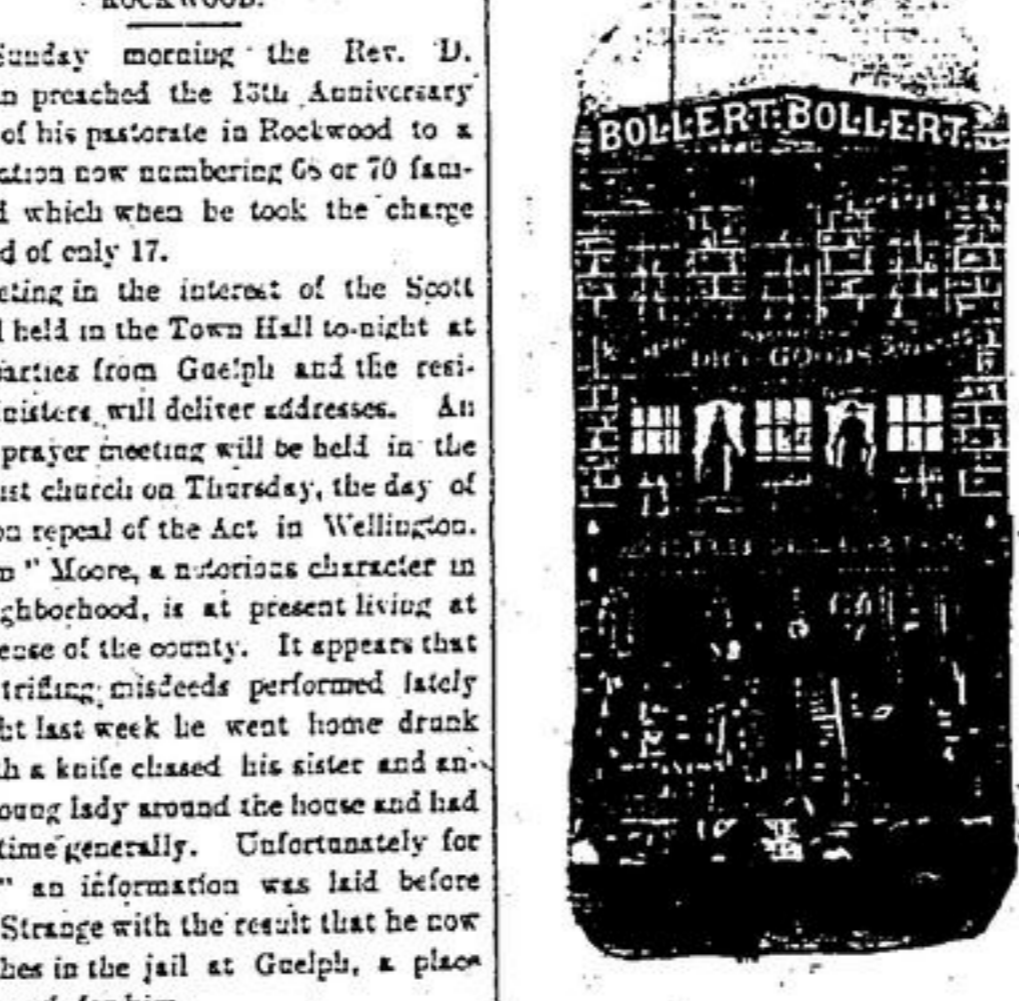
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 Desire to thank their many patrons for their numerous purchases during the 30 days sale and also to announce that their stock for the Spring Trade is now complete. We have a well assorted stock comprising all that will be required by the public and having purchased from the manufacturers direct at close prices so are prepared to give good value.
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