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The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY, JULY 3, 1890.

LITTLE LOCAL BRIEFLETS

Which Caught the Eyes or Ears of Free Press Reporters this Week.

NEWS IN A NUTSHELL.

—Volume fifteen.

—The legal vacation has commenced.

—The Willow street sewer has been completed.

—Dublin Sabbath School will be organized next Sunday.

—Strawberry festival in the town hall to-morrow evening. Go.

—Young street roadway has now been completed according to contract.

—Quite a number of thoughtless youngsters went out boating last Sunday.

—Frequent and constant advertising brought me all I own.—*A. T. Stewart.*

—A new sidewalk has been laid this week on Elgin street between Mill and Church.

—Elder James Kilgour, of Guelph, preached in the Disciples' church on Sunday.

—The holiday was too much for a good many. They weren't worth much yesterday.

—The Methodist church was tastefully decorated with plants and flowers on Sunday.

—No success in life can be so desirable that man can afford to sell his integrity for it.

—This is the FREE PRESS' sixteenth birthday. A healthy youngster all will admit.

—Mr. James McIntosh is improving his residence and surroundings on Bower Avenue.

—The school boys and girls and their teachers have entered upon their summer vacation.

—Trespassers are warned against fishing, fishing or berrying on lots 29 and 30, the property of Mr. Joseph Lasby.

—The angler sits upon the bank, (for so he is cozened) and drinks each time he gets a bite—and each time when he doesn't.

—A party of the young folks in town visited "The View," near Milton on Tuesday for their annual Dominion Day outing. They had a pleasant time.

—Joseph Wagner, who recently rented the American Hotel, Guelph, was fined $20 and costs Saturday at the Police Court for selling liquor on election day.

—A green young man in town, who affects sporting manners, wanted to know the other day when the much-talked-of Anglo-Saxon race is coming off.

—Mr. J. A Keay, of the McMaster Hall Glee Club, Toronto, will entertain visitors to the strawberry festival in the town hall to-morrow evening. He is a host.

—Through the thoughtful consideration of Miss Lottie Speight the editorial table and the sanctum has been beautified and perfumed this week by a beautiful bouquet.

—Mr. Wm. Shortill, of Ballinafad, found his stolen mare near Ospringe. She had been driven there by the thief at lively speed as the marks of the harness on her clearly showed.

—Mr. Harry Lapont, of Windsor, who has charge of the Bell Ice Company's business here, had his right arm severely sprained while loading ice one day last week. He has been taking holidays since.

—The hotels in the west end can't complain this year that the street and sidewalk committee have failed to pay them due attention. Between $200 and $300 has been spent on the street, opposite their premises.

—Rev. G. B. Cooke, visited his former parish, Palmerston, and preached there morning and evening last Sunday. Mr. Thompson, of Trinity College, Toronto, conducted the services in St. Alban's Acton, and St. John's, Rockwood.

—The summer meeting of the Ontario Fruit Growers Association will be held at Niagara-on-the-lake beginning Tuesday July 8 and continuing Wednesday and Thursday. Everybody who is interested in fruit culture is invited to attend.

—The Sunday School at Church Hill is now in a most prosperous condition. There are between 30 and 40 scholars in regular attendance. We hope it will henceforth be one of the "Evergreen" schools of the county. Mr. Harry Gibbons, is the superintendent.

—Rev. Dr. Gifford preached to the united congregations of the Presbyterian and Methodist churches last Sunday, in Knox church in the morning and the Methodist at night. His sermons were both excellent and evidently appreciated by his large audiences.

—In the year 1705 the average weight of fatted steer in the London and Liverpool markets was but 301 pounds. This, too, at the average age of five years. In 1755 this average was increased to 462 pounds. In 1830 the weight was 650 pounds, more than double that of 1705. The average weight of the fatted steer to-day is four times what it was in 1705, only 184 years ago.

THE NEWS AT HOME.

Mostly of a Local Character, and Every Item Interesting.

ACTON IS THE HUB.

A Visitor's Opinion of Acton.

The Newmarket *Era* says:—The editor, wife and son, had delightful visit with friend Moore, of the Acton FREE PRESS, over Sunday. Acton is a thrifty little place about 15 miles east of Guelph. The streets are clean, sidewalk in excellent repair and everything betokens a spirit of enterprise on the part of the Council and private citizens. Messrs. Beardmore & Co., are constantly extending their extensive operations in the tannery line, while Messrs. W. H. Storey & Son keep up their reputation in the glove line. These two firms give constant employment to upwards of 250 hands.

Where is the Proof?

The following from the Milton *Reformer* shows very conclusively that the profit derived from the liquor business in this county is visionary:—"The following amounts from this license fund have been distributed to the province and the different municipalities of this county, viz:—Provincial Treasurer, $1765; Milton, $216; Oakville, 200; Erlington, $252; Acton, $222; Georgetown, $256; Esquesing, $170; Nelson $54; Trafalgar, $68; Nassagaweya, $24;—total $3,300. Besides this a balance of $109 from last year has been distributed. This amount is over $2,000 less than what the administration of justice cost the county at year. The traffic in intoxicating liquors is disastrous to the best interests of the people either morally or financially.

The Public School Examinations.

The semi-annual examinations of the pupils in the various departments of Acton Public School took place last Friday. There was quite an attendance of parents and others, all of whom manifested a lively interest in the accomplishments of the children. In every department the pupils acquitted themselves most creditably and to the general admiration of the visitors. At the close of the exercises short addresses expressing satisfaction with the attainments of the pupils and complimenting the teachers upon the success of their labors were made by Revs. G. B. Cooke, Dr. Gifford, Messrs. H. P. More, Dr. Halsted and Isaac Francis. The announcement that the school would close that evening for summer vacation was made by Principal Moore to the evident satisfaction of the children.

Opening the New Band Stand.

The new bandstand on the site so kindly tendered by Mr. W. H. Storey, on Bower Avenue, was opened last Friday evening by a most enjoyable open air concert by Acton Cornet Band. The following programme was presented:—

Gallant Quickstep	A. Mikren
16th Battalion Quickstep	J. C. Querrie.
Cleveland Belle ecottisch	Ripley.
Elwood Quickstep	Pettee.
Melbourne Quickstep	Southwell.
Neva Schottische	Pettee.
Doc Munger's Quickstep	Southwell.
Paragon	Southwell.
Andante and Waltz "Victory"	Pettee.
God Save the Queen.	

Bower Avenue sidewalk was crowded with spectators while on the square in which the stand is situated hundreds of children disported themselves with glee. The site is an excellent one. The roof of the stand and the gas fixtures remain yet to be put up and after the whole receives a coat of paint its stand will present a handsome appearance.

The Late Mrs. Swackhammer.

One of the earliest settlers in this district passed away last month, in the person of Mrs. Jacob Swackhammer. She, along with her late husband, moved to Esquesing about the year 1820, from Clinton Township in the Niagara district. Mr. Swackhammer having served in The Royalist Ranks during the war of Independence in several engagements and notably at the Battle of Lundy's Lane in 1812, had allotted to him as a reward for his services in the cause of his King, 100 acres of bush land in Esquesing upon which they settled in the above year. The trials of pioneer life in Canada have often been related both by the press and by individuals. Mrs. Swackhammer's experiences if given in full would fill a good sized volume. They were full of interesting adventures and trying occurrences. In the year 1828 the late Rev. Hiram Denny organized a Congregational church at Swackhammer's Hill, which in later days changed its name to Church Hill, and in looking at the church roll it will be found that Mrs. Swackhammer's name is among those who first joined the church, of which she was a member until her death. Many have shared in her hospitality and to ministers of the Gospel she ever kept an open house. To the distressed and downhearted she was always ready to lend a helping hand. Her memory will be fragrant in the hearts of her children, grandchildren and neighbors for many years to come. She died on Sunday, June 15th, in her 90th year.

Bishop Dowling at St. Joseph's.

The visit of Rt. Rev. T. J. Dowling, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Hamilton, on Dominion Day, was a red letter day in the history of St Joseph's church, Acton. The members here made considerable preparation for the reception of His Lordship and erected an arch at the entrance and had the church tastefully decorated with flowers and bunting. There was a large audience. At the entrance of the Bishop the anthem "Welcome" was sung by the choir. Upon assuming his position before the altar His Lordship addressed the congregation stating that at this his first visit to Acton he had pleasure in congratulating them upon their beautiful little place of worship. He then proceeded to explain the rites of baptism, penance and confirmation and informed them that he had come amongst them as their Bishop to impart the sacrament of confirmation. The children to be confirmed were then instructed and the ceremony proceeded with, His Lordship being assisted by Father Doherty, S. J., Guelph, Father McEvay, rector of St. Mary's Cathedral, Hamilton, and Father O'Lone, the priest of this parish. At the conclusion of the ceremony the parents, guardians and sponsors were exhorted to educate the children in righteousness, and to see that they kept out of bad company and from reading bad books. The children were shown that it was their duty to love, honor and obey their parents. "Your parents are your best friends boys and girls," he said. The history of the Catholic Church and its various beliefs was rehearsed. In concluding his remarks the Bishop said he was glad to hear good accounts of Acton mission and promised as soon as the increase of priests would warrant it he would appoint them a resident priest. The last act of His Lordship was to ask the children whom he had confirmed to make him one particular promise, which was comprised in the following pledge:—"I promise, with the help of God, to abstain from all intoxicating liquors, unless given me by a doctor or my parents as medicine, until I am twenty-one years of age." The promise was entered into by all. During his stay in Acton Bishop Dowling was the guest of Mr. John A. McGrail.

THE COUNTRY AROUND.

Interesting Items Supplied by our Correspondents and Culled From Exchanges.

KNATCHBULL.

Last Tuesday Mr. Jno. Richardson had the misfortune to lose a valuable horse.

Many of the farmers will commence haying operations during the coming week. The crop promises a fair yield.

In Nassagaweya, on the 22nd June, the wife of Wm. Dredge of a daughter.

A number of the young people of the Ebenezer neighborhood went pic-nicking at Puslinch Lake last Saturday, and a most pleasant time was spent by all.

There seems to be a disease prevalent affecting spring colts, several cases are reported. Mr. David Agnew lost a fine one the other night.

GEORGETOWN.

Instead of the usual service in the Presbyterian church on Sunday morning, Rev. Mr. Drumm conducted the Sabbath School review. A similar service was held at Limehouse in the afternoon.

A meeting of the Directors of Esquesing Agricultural Society was held here on Saturday.

Mr. Elias Clark, proprietor of the Clark House, died last Thursday. He resided in Acton for some years.

Mr. Geo Bevis has been working with circular saws for the past forty-five years and never met with an accident until last week. He was engaged in Aldous & Cole's factory and was so unfortunate as to lose the first and third finger and part of the thumb of his left hand.—*Herald.*

The new Methodist pastors will preach their inaugural sermons next Sunday.

MILTON.

At the last meeting of the town council a by-law was passed granting $100 to the association.

At the same meeting notice was given that a by-law be introduced at the next meeting to prohibit smoking in the reading room.

The fire limit by-law came up for discussion and Councillor Hemstreet expressed the opinion that some at least of the by-laws should be printed so that people could see what was in them. He is right. All by-laws effecting the public should be printed and circulated so that ratepayers and others might become acquainted with their provisions.

Mr. S. Center, an old and highly esteemed resident of the municipality died last Wednesday.

Tenders are asked for the various works in the erection of a new church for Knox congregation.

BURLINGTON.

The Sunday schools of Knox and Chalmers churches, of Guelph, will spend the 10th at the Beach.

There was an interesting time on the farm of Jackson Featherstone, Dundas St. Nelson township, on Friday afternoon and evening. The occassion was a barn-raising. The barn was 51 x 100 feet with twenty-four-foot posts—quite a structure to run up in one afternoon. But there were many men to do it, no less than 110. Everything was done without a hitch or accident of any kind, the work being under the general supervision of A. C. McMillan, of Nassagaweya. The tired workers sat down to a supper which had been set out on the lawn in front of the house. Afterwards music and dancing made the hours pass swiftly and merrily, and it was midnight before the company broke up.

Strawberries were 5c., wholesale last week and are now getting cheaper.

The crops at present look splendid in the neighborhood. In fact, in every respect they promise a superabundant yield.

There was a very pretty and fashionable wedding in St. Luke's church, Burlington, on Thursday, when Mr. Ralph H. Reville proprietor of the Brantford *Courier*, married Miss Elizabeth Agatha Westell, daughter of Charles Westell, Esq., Whalley Lodge, Burlington.—*Budget.*

An Airy Climb.

Paul Godfrey, the chimney sweep from Palmerston, performed a daring feat last Saturday morning at the town hall. A year or so ago the rope in the flag staff became entangled in the cresting surrounding the tower and could not be removed. Paul ascended the tower, then the eighteen foot flag pole which surmounted it, removed the old rope and inserted a new one. The pulley at the top of the pole is some 120 feet from the ground. It was a somewhat dangerous undertaking, but the $10 bill at the top of the pole gave Paul the necessary nerve.

Strawberry Festival.

A Strawberry festival and entertainment will be given in the town hall on Friday evening under the auspices of the Baptist Church. An excellent programme is anticipated, the following talent having been secured:—A quartette from Georgetown Baptist Choir; Mr. J. A. Keay, of McMaster Hall Glee Club, Toronto; Miss Kate McLean, Milton and Jessie Warren, Acton. Short addresses will be delivered by Revs. Dr. Gifford and J. W. Rae; Rev. W. E. Norton, pastor of the church, will occupy the chair. Strawberries and ice cream will be served from six to eight o'clock.

Canada's Great Fair.

The receipt of a copy of the Prize List for this year's Toronto Industrial Exhibition, which is to be held from the 8th to the 20th of September next, reminds us that the fair season is again fast approaching. The Prize List shows the addition of many new classes and a large increase in the amount offered as premiums. Toronto offers many attractions to visitors during the season, but the greatest of all is its annual Exhibition which this year promises to be greater than ever. A copy of the Price List can be obtained by any of our readers, who may desire one by dropping a post card to Mr. H. J. Hill, the Secretary, at Toronto.

Appropriating Flowers.

"Folks are not always asleep when the lights are out." A week ago last Saturday evening a couple of young ladies (?) broke into a garden on Young street and helped themselves to flowers with which they were seen to be decked on the following Sabbath. It was suspected they might attempt the same the evening before Dominion Day and in order to ascertain this and preserve the flowers a watch was set for the depredators. About nightfall the lights were extinguished and shortly after the parties suspected appeared, cautiously opened the gate and proceeded to the flower plot. The lady of the house made her appearance and the visitors speedily disappeared apparently very much frightened.—COM.

—We are in receipt of *The Burlington Budget*, a neat local paper published by Mr. J. A. Belt, son of the Rev. Canon Belt, Burlington. The *Budget* pays careful attention to matters of interest to Burlington and vicinity, and should receive the support of the community. Burlington is the last civic municipality in the County of Halton to welcome the Press within its borders.

COMING AND GOING.

Visitors to and From Acton and Various Other Personal Notes.

FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS.

Mr. Fred Secord will arrive home shortly.

Mr. Broley, of Fergus, visited friends here this week.

Mr. W. A. Mokeau left on Tuesday on a trip to Scotland.

Mrs. Wm. Gurney visited friends in Fergus last week.

Mr. Charles Matthews returned on Tuesday from a visit to Lansing, Mich.

Mr. John A. Henderson, of Toronto, was home for Sunday.

Mr. Jos. Perkins, of Berlin, was in town for Dominion Day.

Mr. Simon Frawley, of Norval, visited Acton friends this week.

Mr. G. B. Ryan, of Guelph, will leave for the Old Country to-day.

Miss Elizabeth Halsted left on Saturday to visit friends at Kimberly.

Mr. W. A. Storey left last week on a trip to Chicago and Rockford, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ferguson, of Guelph, visited friends here this week.

Mr. R. D. Limebeer left on Monday to take a situation at Orangeville.

Mrs. W. H. Storey is much better. She returned from Toronto last week.

Rev. C. A. Cook, and son, of Bloomfield, N. J., are guests of Rev. R. B. Cook.

Mrs. Mrs. M. Speight, of Markham, is the guest of her son Mr. C. C. Speight.

Mr. Byard and Miss Maggie Hall, of Hornby visited Acton friends this week.

Mrs. Johnston of Wellandport is the guest of her sister Mrs. J. W. Rae, at the Manse.

Miss Mary Brown has returned from a pleasant visit with friends in Berlin and St. Marys.

Misses Lena and Emma Boomer, of Berlin, made Acton friends a short visit this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Matthews, of Brantford, arrived on Monday evening to spend a day with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Speight, of Berlin, spent several days during the week with friends at their old home.

Hundreds of visitors spent Dominion Day with friends in Acton, whose names we have not been able to secure.

Rev. Alex. Jackson, pastor of Knox church, Galt, has received the degree of Ph.D. from Worcester University, Ohio.

Mr. William Cook and family, of Hamilton, and Mr. E. K. Cook, of Palermo, were guests of their father, Rev. R. B. Cook over the holiday.

Mr. A. G. Easton, formerly of the FREE PRESS office now occupies a good position in the telegraph offices of the M.C.R.R. at Chicago, Ill.

Miss Maggie Bonis, teacher, left yesterday to spend a week or so with friends at Grimsby, thence she will proceed to her home at St. Marys.

Miss Cleveland, teacher, left on Monday for her home at Thorold. She will spend a part of the vacation on a trip up the lakes to Sault Ste Marie.

Henry M. Stanley, who attended the Commemoration day exercises at Oxford University last week was given a rousing reception by the students. The degree of Doctor of Civil Law was conferred on the explorer.

Mr. Stanley's wedding will, according to present arrangement, take place at Westminister Abbey on July 12th. The officiating clergymen will be the Bishop of Ripon, the Master of the Temple, and the Dean of Westminster.

Rev. B. B. Williams, of Dudley, England, the newly appointed minister of the Congregational church, Guelph, arrived last week and was warmly received. He will fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Rev. Mr. McGregor a year ago.

Rev. Dr. Willoughby, who has been pastor of the Norfolk Street Methodist Church, Guelph, for the past two years and now takes a superannuation relation, was presented quietly, by the new members of the church during his pastorate, with two very handsomely upholstered easy chairs for Mrs. Willoughby and himself.

OUR MUNICIPAL LEGISLATORS.

A Big Batch of Street and Sidewalk Accounts Passed.

Council met on Monday evening.

The Reeve in the chair. Members present. Messrs. J. A. Speight, W. E. Smith and John Kenney.

The minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

The committee on Finance presented their ninth report recommending payment of account as follows:—

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS.

George Clark, 413 rods drain	$ 67 65
Henry Bell, gravel and stone	62 25
Hugh Mann, contract Young street	63 00
Aaron Swackhamer, contract stone	53 09
Edward Dynes, on work	23 00
George Clark, extra work	10 88
William Carroll, 6½ days work	6 50
Robert Kennedy, 6½ posts	6 50
A. B. Wright, 188 feet timber	6 80
	$224 25

CEMETERY.

Thomas Easton, work	$ 6 25

CONTINGENCIES.

Putting rope through flag staff	$ 10 00
	$305 63

Moved by W. E. Smith, seconded by John Kenney, that the ninth report of the Finance Committee just read be adopted.—Carried.

It was reported that Hugh Mann was allowed $20 extra for the completion of the work on Young street.

The Street and Sidewalk Committee were ordered to have the grass and weeds cut forthwith.

Councillor Kenney—I think we should put some of the good gravel on Main street above the G. T. R.

The Reeve—Yes, Mr. Kenney, I think you should, and, added the Reeve in his jocular way, there are some votes up there too.

Councillor Kenney—Oh, votes. Its not votes I want. I want to have good work done.

A good deal of complaint was made that the contractors putting in the new switch at the G. T. R. were dumping earth on the streets where it was doing more harm than good.

It was decided that no further earth be allowed to be put on the streets.

A cheque for $222, Acton's share of the liquor license fees, was passed over to the treasurer.

Upon motion the Council adjourned.

—A strawberry festival and jubilee was given by the Salvation Army on Tuesday evening. Guelph band was announced but failed to put in an appearance. There was a small crowd but an enjoyable time.

—The Oakville *Star* commenced its eighth volume last week. The *Star* is edited by the junior journalist of the County, in the person of Mr. A. S. Forster, but the *Star* shines brilliantly nevertheless and Oakville is very creditably represented by its interesting paper week by week.

QUEER CUSTOMERS WATCH-MAKERS HAVE.

The business hours of a jeweller are not always a continual stream of unalloyed happiness, but occasionally we have customers who leave us in a happy frame of mind by their acknowledged appreciation of our success in making their watch keep good time. But the rule is that we get more blame than thanks. It is very likely we deserve it all right enough, but it is pleasant to get a little credit even if you are only doing your duty, but many a time we are expected to make a perfect timepiece out of some old plug of a watch which never was expected to go by the maker, but only to be sold by some pedlar, who sold the buyer at the same time. Possibly the same watch has done duty in every horse trade in the county for the last year or two since. Then again, so many things happen to a watch that is neither the fault of the watchmaker who repaired it last, nor the wearer. The watchmaker has to stand the blunt of them all the same. But, as I said before, we have many a pleasant customer sandwiched in between the growlers. Our first customers in the morning, especially such weather as we have been having for the past month or two, are usually some of those who have been unfortunate enough to let the electricity which is so plentiful in the air get in through the key hole and into the mainspring barrel of their watch and snap the spring. They don't look happy to the tune of one dollar, but we do. Sometimes the year is not out since the last one was put in by us, then the laugh is on us, as we always warrrant them for one year. After them a few customers drop in to compare their watch with our regulator. Some are content if within five minutes and some are not if within one. Generally the persons with the poorest watch expect to be nearest right. After them, probably, comes some thoughtful one to buy a present for a loved one. A mother for her baby, or a father for his boy who is 21 to-morrow, or only some friend getting a parting gift for another friend. Each of these makes us feel that there is a great deal of good in the world yet, notwithstanding the maladministration of Sir John A., and leaves us in a prepared state of mind to receive the next customer, who has come in and with the usual "What's the matter with my watch," she's never gone right since you fixed her!" begins to abuse watchmakers generally. After examining his watch we ask him what he has been doing with it. Oh! nothing! only I was just having a look in her last Sunday and I thought I saw the end of a hair sticking out, and I took a pin and tried to pull it out, and you had ought to see the hair spring. He had got it in such a shape that it looked like a brush heap. After him comes perhaps the man who is just at the end of his troubles, but which end I won't take it upon me to say. He wants a marriage license and perhaps a ring and in a year or so after we generally see him back for a little bit of a gem ring *Papa's Darling* on it, or maybe finger ring that won't even go on the end of your little finger. I think probably the greatest amount of satisfaction experienced by me at least, if not by all jewellers, is when we have been successful in making some who has never been able to see well or who has continually suffered in some way through imperfect vision, see as well as any body. There are troubles enough in the world without having to go through it missing any of the pleasant sights as we pass along or the many pleasant hours in reading because the eyes tire. Science has advanced this art so much in the last twenty years that comparatively few have to suffer from imperfect vision or tired eyes, if they only will apply to an optician. But no matter whether the customers of the day have been reasonable or unreasonable ones, a quarter to six finds us in the best of spirits, it's packing up time, and in 15 minutes we count the cash and lock the doors and forget that we ever were accused of robbing your watch of its jewels and putting in leather ones in their place. In conclusion, if you can't be easy with us, be as easy as you can. Yours, Geo. D. Pringle, Guelph.

Great Success

has thus far attended our June Sale. The crowds of customers that have thronged the various departments from Monday morning until late on Saturday night, and the large piles of goods sold have exceeded our most sanguine expectations. We are more than gratified. We are delighted, and so are the customers. It's a mutual affair this. Goods for money, and money for goods. Only a little one sided in this respect, that the goods pile always largely exceeded the money consideration paid. Still it suited our purpose, we bought the goods cheap, and we are selling them cheap. In some cases at no profit, in most at a small profit, and in every case with pleasure and satisfaction. Mind you this, We employ no clap trap methods, no make believe we are doing wonderful things. Here are the goods, here are the samples for you to take anywhere and compare, and our doors are open for you to come and go as you like. What began so successfully with the month will be intensified towards its close. Every department has fresh demands made upon it for Bargains. Take this as a sample. We have about 25 handsome COMBINATION COSTUMES, running in price from $5 to $20 per costume. During this week we will sell them at a straight Cash Discount of

25

per cent.—Thus—Say:

1 Costume	$15 00
25 per cent. discount	$ 3 75
Net cost	$11 25

See the saving? They are in all shades and styles imported for our fine trade. Again:—Table Linens, regular price 75c. now 50c. Do. regular price 35c. now 25. All Wool Carpets, regular price $1, now 75c. But it is impossible for us to give anything like an idea by quoting prices. You must see the goods? There are still stacks of 12½c. Prints for 5c., piles of 25c. Ticks for 17½c., and so on.

Now we want to say this. People have had to go out almost every day without having been as fully served as we always endeavor to do. It was unavoidable. We did our best, and we speak for the kind indulgence of customers in this case. Come again and we will do our best for you. It's our aim and effort to win your approval, and good will. The goods should attract you, and we promise you our best services. The

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will be continued with unabating effort. Come with the throng.

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Blow Gentle Breezes,
Blow,

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I'll Go.

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I'll get the lot for about a dollar.
A pair of boots and stockings, too,
My poor old toes are looking blue.

I'll go a five for a new suit,
Yes, ten—and get an overcoat;
I'll be a dude, I will you bet,
A city swell—aristocrat!

Hold on, that ain't all yet,
An undershirt and pants I'll get,
I'll buy a pair of gloves unlined,
If they don't show a better kind,

A pair of braces in they'll give,
For I'm the stuff that's going to live,
To travel the country o'er and o'er
And recommend Kelly Bros.' store

Some groceries too, I'm going to buy
For my dear wife as well as I;
Tea, sugar, and other things I'll get,
We intend to live till we have to quit,

They sell so cheap, it is really funny,
What a lot you get for a little money;
They sell for cash, and buy goods right,
Because they say to draw at sight.

Other merchants can't buy so cheap,
Because they don't go in so steep,
They sell on tick, their money is out,
And they've to mind what they're about.

And do you think I have the stuff,
Of which few if any get enough,
To buy a suit from head to toes,
If not, I'm here as grub for crows.

If I ain't good-looking I have conceit
That I can pay for what I wear and eat,
For credit is one of the greatest curses,
I'll tell you in the next two verses.

I look like a man that's chased by dogs,
Oh worse than that, they were really hogs,
They charged two prices for their goods,
They chased me to the very woods.

Because the bill I couldn't pay,
My grain was poor and cheap was hay,
I'm honest, boys, yes I'm a dandy,
Would give them the money if I had it handy.

Before I left I'll tell you square,
While the wind is whistling through my hair,
I happened to put in my left hip pocket
Twenty in cash—in there I socked it.

That's all I have, not one cent more,
But it will buy most at Kelly Bros. store,
And after this I intend to buy
At Kelly's Store until I die.

You think this rhyme contains no sense,
We'll let you say so without defence,
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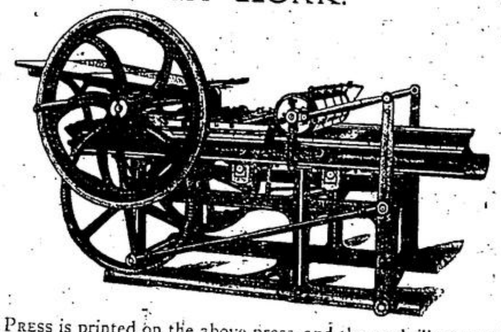

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