

Bank of Hamilton

Georgetown Branch.
A General Banking Business Transacted.
Correspondence Solicited.

Savings Department

Interest allowed on sums of ONE HUNDRED and upwards from day of deposit to day of withdrawal. No formalities and no delay in making payments.

Farmers' Business

Solicited. Notes of responsible farmers discounted and money loaned for legitimate business purposes.

Our Collection Department

Has every facility for making prompt returns.

Sale Notes

Hypothecated and money advanced on account of farms at low rates of interest.

Capital	\$1,500,000
Reserve Fund	250,000
Total Assets	13,163,000

Necessary Articles

Dressing Combs
Fine Combs
Back Combs
Side Combs
Hair Brushes
Tooth Brushes
Hair Pins
Purses
Sewing Machine Needles

The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1900.
GRANDMA'S VALENTINE.
He sent a valentine to "Grandma dear" the first of the month for a long time. And grandma brought it home within his time. One more New Year's day.
You see he was a very little bit. And found it harder than any other. Then said, "My grandma's sure to understand it. Some awful, chilly February."
He wanted, and he wrote, "I love you." And grandma, and she said, "I love you." Yet she stamped it quite with Jane, the nurse, directed.
"All on a certain February day."
But she stamped it with the letter "W" O. P. D. O. I. just that way. And she said it was her happy as a princess. "That snowy, bluey February day."
-Miss Thora.

LITTLE LOCAL BRIEFLETS

Which Caught the Eyes of Free Press Reporters this week.
-Next Wednesday is St. Valentine's Day.
-Excellent sleighing now in this section.
-About ten inches of snow fell here on Sunday.
-The sleighing has made things lively this week.
-Read the "Fuss Paves" Valentine story this week.
-The town hall is shortly to be wired for electric light.
-Next sitting of the Youth Division Court, March 9th.
-A meeting of the Board of Education was held last evening.
-For money orders at low rates and the cards of the Merchants Bank.
-A North West buyer advertised in another column for 1000 pigeons.
-Mr. Wm. Noble, of Toronto, spent several days this week with Acton friends.
-There was more snow shovelled on Monday and Tuesday than elsewhere before this winter.
-Mr. James Matthews is putting his new patented horse hair rein protector on the market.
-Quite a number of local skaters attended the carnival in Georgetown skating rink Monday evening.
-The good sleighing and the moonlight night contribute to the success of numerous sleighing parties.
-A meeting of the Liberals of Acton and vicinity will be held in the Council Chamber to-morrow evening.
-Mr. George Howard is arranging to enter his skidding sleds and put in a larger stock of boots and shoes.
-Mr. Alfred Day, Provincial Sunday School Secretary, preached an eloquent and very practical sermon at the Brick Church last Sunday morning.
-A Barlow Hotel will be held this evening at the home of Mr. T. H. Gibson, Church. A programme of interest will be provided.
-The school room of Knox Church in its new dress was much admired by the delegates to the Sunday School Convention. The ten new tables for the class were also considered a good idea.
-The transport with "D" falling in which the Acton boys are being passed Cape Verde Islands last Tuesday, 6th January, making the trip to their port in three days less than the day before.
-In the Christmas examinations at the Ontario Academy, Guelph, J. M. Russell of Freeman stood at the head of the second year class and took honors in a number of subjects. P. E. Reid, of Georgetown and C. J. Russell, of Hamilton, also, passed the first year examinations.

THE NEWS AT HOME.

Mostly of a Local Character, and every item interesting.

Good Friday and Easter.
Easter comes this year on April 10th. The date for Easter is the fourth day, and in fact, is within one week of the latest possible date for the feast. The setting of the date is by means of the Paschal moon, and on this account it is impossible for it to come earlier than March 21st, or later than April 25th.

The Municipal Council.
The Council met on Monday evening in regular session. All the members were present, except H. H. Pearson, who was absent. Councilor Williams was moved to the chair. The minutes of last meeting were confirmed; some general conversation concerning municipal matters ensued, but no business was transacted.

Agony of a Sick Man.
A young man, who is now lying in bed at his home, 13th street, at Churchhill, is suffering from a severe case of diphtheria. The nature of the disease is such that it is almost certain that he will not survive. His condition is such that he is unable to take any food, and he is suffering from great pain.

Home Circle Installation.
The Home Circle of St. Andrew's Church installed its new officers on Monday evening. The installation was held at the church, and was attended by a large number of friends. The new officers are: President, Mrs. J. H. Moore; Secretary, Mrs. J. H. Moore; Treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Moore.

Zealous Police-Red Snapper.
The police were on duty on Monday morning, between Acton and Stockwood, owing to a fire in the engine. The fire was caused by the engine striking a hole in the road. The engine was damaged, and the fire was extinguished.

New Reading Business Appreciated.
Business is opening up with very satisfactory results in the Acton Branch of the Merchants Bank. It is proving an advantageous institution for Acton as a steady business and one which has been helping to build up the town.

A Diversity of Temperatures.
The wind brought the "Fuss Paves" letters on Monday from two former residents whose environments as to temperature were widely different. Mr. H. M. Meeker, writing from his home at Richmond, Mich., says: "If you are suffering from heat in Acton just come over here and we will cool you off. It has been below zero for nearly a week and is still cold."

Acton W. C. T. U.
The meeting of the ladies of Acton in the Baptist Church last Wednesday afternoon for the organization of a branch of the Women's Christian Temperance Union was attended by about twenty-five ladies. The meeting was addressed with much interest by Mrs. J. Persons Smith, of Hamilton, organizer for the division of West North and Hamilton. A Union was formed with the following officers: President, Mrs. J. H. Moore; Secretary, Mrs. J. H. Moore; Treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Moore.

The Social Reproduction of the South African War in the town hall on Monday evening was not favored with a very large audience. This was not due to any lack of loyalty on the part of our citizens, but to the fact that the gentleman who arranged the entertainment failed to take the general public into his confidence as to his personality. The line-light views shown were very good and portrayed all the great battles of the current war giving in accurate, official photographs the active heroism, brilliant charges and exciting exploits of the British forces. The views were from negatives taken on the field of battle and were most interesting to the like of this. The interesting narrative given by Mr. J. Robert Long, the lecturer, added interest to the patriotic and instructive entertainment. It is not likely that Acton will have much to her credit in the next few days from the profits of the entertainment.

NASSAGAWEVA.
An enjoyable evening was spent last Wednesday, 8th January, at the home of Mr. Thos. Harty, Superintendent of the Sunday School, at school section No. 2. There was a delightful program of songs, addresses were presented to Mr. McLaughlin, on the eve of his removal, by the pupils of his class.

Dear Friends:
On the occasion of your removal and relocation as teacher of our Sunday School Class, which position you have held for so many years, permit us to express our gratitude for the kindness and helpfulness you have shown to us in our school, while we have been pupils of your class. It is with much regret that we bid you adieu, and we are sure that you will be remembered by us in our prayers. May we hope that others may profit by your Christian teaching.

We don't need dear teacher, that your heart has been in the work to which you have devoted yourself, that you were ever anxious for the improvement of those under your tuition, and we assure you these words have not been in vain, but will surely bless the seed sown.

In severing your connection with us, we do not forget that you have been a great blessing to us. Our prayer is that you may long be spared to continue in the good work which you have carried on so long and so well. We are sure that you will be remembered by us in our prayers. May we hope that others may profit by your Christian teaching.

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To CHURCH A GOLD IN OMM DAY.
This is the first time that the church has ever had a gold in Omm Day. The church was very successful in its collection, and the gold was used for the benefit of the church.

JOHN SNYDER KILLED.

Was struck by a C. T. H. Engine at Toronto, Whence he had Wandored from Home While Temporarily In Town.

Early last Sunday morning John Snyder, farmer, of lot 22, con. 3, Esplanade, while manfully wading from his home, about a mile north of Acton, Mrs. Snyder and their little two-year-old daughter had gone to Ottawa on Saturday afternoon to visit her father, Mr. John Snyder, and he was alone at home. He was not missed until Monday afternoon, when "one of the brothers" called on the house and finding no foot-tracks in the snow since Sunday's run he hurried to the barn thinking possibly that he had been killed by one of his horses. There was no sign of him there, but the horses and cattle which had scattered either foot or water for nearly twenty days, were in great distress. The alarm was given and diligent but fruitless search was made at every conceivable point.

On Tuesday evening a neighbor who had heard of the account of the unknown man killed on Strachan Ave., Toronto, in the Toronto papers, showed the article to the family, and the description led to the conclusion that the unidentified man was Mr. Snyder. The brothers, James and David, took the evening train for the city where they found the remains at the mortuary in the Emergency Hospital, which the injured man had been taken, and at once identified the lost brother.

He was walking up the tracks in the railway yards, at Toronto, and was struck by the passenger train which passed through Acton at 6:24 Sunday evening. The skull was fractured and his right arm, in his mortal conflict, he had evidently walked down the railway to Toronto during the day. Evidence that Mr. Snyder was "unitedly" mentally came out here yesterday when it was stated that he had visited one of the hotels here Saturday evening and had treated at the bar and drank himself a thing which surprised all present for he was one of the strongest temperance men in this section.

Mr. Snyder was a honest straightforward man, and a very kind and loving father and a happy home. His bereaved wife and little daughter as well as his father's family feel keenly the sudden and heavy affliction. They have universal sympathy in this hour of bereavement. The funeral will be held at the home of the Church in the cemetery this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

THE ROLL OF HONOR.
The Standing of the Pupils at the Close of the Term of 1900.
The first monthly examinations of the new year were held at the Public School here last week with results as follows:

Class V. - Lottie Moore 90, Annie Oram and Ada Curry 91.
Class IV, Jr. - Ethel Coleman and Wm. Taylor 90, Jennie McQueen 90, Myrtle Matthews and Roy Arnold 90.
Marks possible 100.

Class III, Sr. - Phillip Holmes 95, Jennie Smith 90, Florence Murray 90.
Class III, Jr. - Edwin Perryman 94, Helen Jones and Daniel Ritchie 93, Frank Hevill 93.
Marks possible 100.

Class II, Sr. - Lillian McLaughlin 90, Charles Matthews 90, Willie Plant 91.
Class II, Jr. - Ada Clark 90, Vera Foster 90, Vincent Goodwin and Clara Moore 90.
Marks possible 100.

Class I, Sr. - J. A. McLaughlin, Teacher.
Class I, Jr. - Freeman Coleman 100, Mabel Arthur 101, Fern Downer 101.
Inter. - Hattie Arnold 104, Alice Shaw 100, Willie Lawson and Leonard Warden 100.
Marks possible 100.

Class I, Jr. - J. A. McLaughlin, Teacher.
Class I, Sr. - J. A. McLaughlin, Teacher.
Class I, Jr. - J. A. McLaughlin, Teacher.

THE FREE LIBRARY.
The Annual Meeting - Election of Officers and Committees.
The Library Board met on Wednesday evening, 8th January, in annual session. Members present J. B. Pearson, Chairman; J. A. McLaughlin, Thos. T. Moore and H. P. Moore, Secretaries.

The Secretary reported that Rev. H. A. Macpherson and Mr. Thos. T. Moore were re-elected by the Council and School Board for another three years.

The Librarian's report for December showed that 266 books of the following classes had been given out: History 100, biography 6, voyages and travels 23, science and art 5, general literature 23, poetry 4, fiction 61, religious 35, miscellaneous 7. Cash receipts \$1 00.

Moved by J. A. McLaughlin, seconded by T. T. Moore, that Mr. J. B. Pearson be re-elected Chairman, and Mr. H. P. Moore, seconded by T. T. Moore, that the standing committees for the year be as follows:

Finance - T. T. Moore, Chairman; J. B. Pearson, J. K. Godden and the Treasurer. Book Committee - J. A. McLaughlin, Chairman; J. K. Godden, H. A. Macpherson, John Cameron and the Secretary. Maintenance Committee - H. A. Macpherson, Chairman; John Cameron, J. B. Pearson and T. T. Moore. - Carried.

The Board then adjourned.

COMING AND GOING.

Visitors to and From Acton and Various Other Personal Notes.

The Pass Paves invites all its readers to contribute to the column. If you, your friends are going away on a holiday trip or if you have friends visiting you drop a word to the Pass Paves.

Miss M. W. Wallace is visiting friends in the Northwest.
Miss Jean McLaughlin, of Stockwood, visited the Misses Wallace last week.
Mr. T. H. M. Howard was home from the east for a short visit this week.

Mr. Alfred Howard is at Glouceville, N. V., on a business trip this week.
Misses Daisy and Edith Nichol were home from Guelph over Sunday.
Mrs. Jas Brown and Mrs. A. H. Brown visited Toronto friends this week.

Miss Ethel Addy, of Toronto, was in town this week receiving friends. Her brother, Mr. E. W. Addy, of Guelph, is visiting Mr. John McGill at the C. T. H. Hotel.

Miss Jennie Hall, of Pennington, was a guest at the home of Mr. James Brown during the week.
Mr. James A. Brown, of Edmonton, N. W. T., made his headquarters, Mrs. George Howard, at his home last week.

Mr. W. D. Shackleton, of Calgary, was in town this week visiting his old friend R. Agnew of the Dominion House.
Mr. Thos. Perryman, Sr., who was confined to the house for a couple of weeks through illness is able to be about again.

Mr. John Walsh has been in a very low condition of health for some time. He is now recovering and is not improving.
Messrs. L. P. and E. J. Moore are attending the annual meeting of the Canadian Press Association at Toronto this week.

Miss Jessie McDonald has been engaged as primary teacher in "Markdale Public School" and left on Monday morning for that town.
Mrs. M. Simpson, of Toronto, who has been suffering from pneumonia at Fairview Place while visiting her friend, Miss C. H. Smith, is now convalescing.

While visiting in "Hesperia" a couple of weeks ago Mrs. (Rev.) J. K. Godden was taken ill on Tuesday morning on a well-earned holiday. He will spend the month at Windsor, Brandon, Portage La Prairie and other points west.

Mr. A. E. Nichol, who has been in the Maritime Provinces since New Year's, was home for two or three days during the week. He left on Tuesday evening to spend a month in the Eastern townships.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.
SICK HEADACHE.
Positively cured by these Little Pills.
They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Heavy Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Headache, Stomach Troubles, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Biliousness, Pain in the Side, TOXIC LIVER, They Regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.
Small Pills. Small Dose. Small Price.

CREWSON'S CORNERS.
Those from here who attended the Sunday School Convention at Acton on Thursday and Friday last, during the best convention they ever had the pleasure of attending.

Rev. Mr. Couch, of Guelph, will preach here next Sabbath.
On Wednesday evening last a very enjoyable time was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. Forbes by about forty of their friends from this place and Acton. The guests were very hospitably entertained by their host and hostess, and the evening was pleasantly spent in games and various other amusements, the party breaking up in the early hours of the morning.

Mr. R. McGregor and Miss L. McGregor, of Michigan, were visiting friends in this vicinity.

THE LIFE OF MOODY.
The Public Publishing Company, Toronto, have in press a "Life of Dwight L. Moody," and they announce that it will be ready to place in the hands of the public during the first week of February. The book will be published in paper and cloth binding, and will contain over twenty illustrations. This book is sure to have a very large circulation, as the price has been made so low that the great mass of the people may secure it. Price, in attractive paper binding, 25 cents; cloth, 50 cents, postpaid. For sale at all bookstores.

Chas. L. Nelles, Guelph.
THE BIG BOOKSTORE.
It is too early to talk.
Not a bit.
We are ready when you are.
John D. McKim is now agent in Acton. Whichever you want to buy.

A Fair Outside Is a Poor Substitute For Inward Worth.

Good health, inwardly, of the kidneys, liver and bowels, is sure to come if Hood's Sarsaparilla is promptly used.

This secures a fair outside, and a vigorous vigor in the frame, with the glow of health on the cheek, good appetite, perfect digestion, pure blood.

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The Noted TEA STORE and CHINA PALACE.

Wanted 20,000 pounds Good Dried Apples.

I Just Received Lake Huron Trout in half barrels. Lake Huron Herrings in half barrels. Labrador Herring in half barrels. Labrador Herring in barrels.

In the China Palace
We have heavy 10lb. Tin Tea
\$1.00, this week \$0.75.

J. A. MCGREA, GUELPH.

Great Sale
Silver Knives, Forks and Spoons.

I have bought the largest quantity of them that ever was brought into Guelph at one time, and at a price that will enable me to sell the best Rogers Bros' goods at prices never before equalled.

Genuine Rogers Bros' plain Tea Spoons, At quality, \$3.45, regular price \$4.25.
Genuine Rogers Bros' fancy plain Tea Spoons, At quality, \$3.90, regular price \$4.75.
Genuine Rogers Bros' plain Dessert Spoons, \$5.90, regular price \$7.50.
Genuine Rogers Bros' Dessert Knives, \$4.25, regular price \$5.00.
Genuine Rogers Bros' Medium Knives, \$4.45, regular price \$5.50.

These are all brand new goods direct from the factory and guaranteed.
G. D. PRINGLE, JEWELLER + GUELPH

HENDERSON & CO.

This Week
The balance of our stock of Men's and Boys' Overcoats and Ulsters Will be cleared at exceptionally low prices. All Up-to-date and Reliable Goods, at Genuine Bargains.

HENDERSON & CO.

Fancy Goods.
Our stock is now complete in all the lines that go to make up pretty and useful things for the house.

Silks and Satins in great variety. Brilliant in Plains and Stripes. Crochet Cotton, all numbers, Clark's Pompadour, never larger range. Hatterburg Patterns. Irish, Thread, etc. Heavy Ribbons in all colors and varieties. Japanese Baskets. Bureaus of all kinds. Silk, Silks, Woollens, etc. Besides we have Side Combs, Hair Combs, Hair Pins, Beauty Pins, etc.

Chas. L. Nelles, Guelph.

C. F. Goode & Co. MILL ST. ACTON.

Tented Horse Fall Rein Protector
A REAL NECESSITY FOR SAFETY
The best thing that has been invented for the shaft or pole by a single clip and screw. The shaft is adjustable to any horse and is arranged so that the horse cannot get its tail over the line. Can be changed to any size in five minutes. A set of single clips, 10 for double. PRICE - 25c. Made in Canada. Order by mail will receive prompt attention. 2000 AGENTS WANTED James Matthews, Patented, Acton, Ont.

It Pays to Buy at Bollert's. It Pays to Buy at Bollert's.

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THESE GO AT WHOLESALE PRICES
Heavy all wool regular stock
Imperial Wool worth 80c
The Union Worth 75c
All a mile wide
Theater of the same worth 60c
A special line of English Brussels, out of the Union Worth 80c
Theater of the same worth 75c
Theater of the same worth 60c
Theater of the same worth 50c

The larger the room the greater the saving - figure it out for yourself and see the cents turn to dollars. If the room is quite small ask for remnants - some are large enough for a small room. Others small enough for a large rug. All go at one third off.

E. R. Bollert & Co.
25 and 27 Wyndham St., GUELPH.

THE First Delivery
of our British Woollens for Spring has arrived. It consists of

Blue Serges, Black and Colored Worsted, Scotch and English Suitings, and a splendid range of Overcoatings.

We'll add to our reputation for perfect fit, first-class workmanship and reliability of material if you'll let us take your measure for a spring rig-out.

D. E. Macdonald & Bro. THE LION, GUELPH

Gen's Rubbers
FOR 30¢ A PAIR.
They are Strap Sandals. Sizes.....6, 6 1/2, 7, 7 1/2, 8, 8 1/2 and 9. Regular price 75c., for 30c.

NEILL, The Shoe Man, Guelph...8 stores.

Savage & Co. JEWELLERS GUELPH.

Gurney & Co. GENERAL MERCHANTS.

January Bargains.

BEFORE STOCK TAKING.

This month will surpass all records in affording chances for economical buying. Price reductions that will clear our stock in short order.

DRESS GOODS.
Plain and Fancy Dress Goods. Black and Colored Dress Stuffs at big discounts to 12 1/2c Prints to clear at 8c.
Blankets Hosiery and Underwear at low prices. Extra values in Table Linens. 5 lbs. of our famous Japan Tea for \$1. Canned Goods 3 for 25c.
GURNEY & CO. Acton.