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Georgetown Branch.

A General Banking Business
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Correspondence Solicited.

Savings Department
Interest allowed on sums of ONE DOLLAR and upwards from day of deposit to day of withdrawal. No formalities and no delays in drawing money.

Farmers' Business
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Has every facility for making prompt returns.

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Capital Paid Up - \$2,000,000
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Total Assets 20,000,000
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Georgetown Branch.

1903
WALL PAPER
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CHAS NELLES
The Big Wall Paper Man,
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Has appointed
R. T. BROWN,
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See A. T. Brown for
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LEADS THE TRADE.

The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 1903.
BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS.

Very bad roads prevail now.
Geolph is free from smallpox again.

The flow of Maple sap is very poor this year.

Gardening operations have commenced.
The new buson factory will commence operations on the 1st April.

Midland rat-payers carried the by-law to purchase the electric light plant.

March for Mexican dollars. They are in circulation, but are worth only 40 cents.

St. Patrick's Day was marked by numbers of citizens wearing the "dear little shamrock".

Spring house-cleaning is now one of the approaching terrors to the male side of the house.

Citizens were obliged to wade over a good many crossings embedded in mud last week.

The fall wheat in Ontario appears to have come through the winter in a healthy condition.

Crocuses, tulips, wall flowers, and rhubarb have peeped through to the sunlight the past week.

The pollen season opened last week, and nearly every day now the links are in commission.

The Executive of Esquimaux Sabbath School Association will be held in Georgetown at 2 o'clock to-morrow.

Mr. Paul H. Kennedy reports that 22,000 bushels of wheat are in the hands of the millers.

Farm lands are in demand at good wages. Several men engaged heretofore report fancy figures for the next six or eight months.

Horses for sale. The spring sale of Lewis horses, belonging to Murray Crawford, of Cambellville, will be held on March 24th, at 2 p.m.

A fine new library of about 150 volumes, is being selected this week for the Methodist Sunday School, and will be opened in a couple of weeks.

A very interesting song service was held at the Methodist Church last Sunday evening. The pastor delivered a brief, but impressive, evangelistic address.

Proton rat-payers voted on Monday to loan the Canadian Office and School Furniture Co. \$2,000, repayable in ten years. Only twelve voters against it.

The prices for horses are higher than for years. From \$100 to \$200 is paid now for horses which five years ago would have been bought for half the money.

The presence of bluebirds, black-birds, robins, and crows, and the flight of wild ducks and geese northward would evidently seem to indicate that the cold weather is past.

The Fishhawk Fish Hatchery and ponds, which have been managed by Anthony Mason since they were opened half a dozen years ago, will now be in charge of John Arthur, of Luck in the G. T. R. yards for Leonard & Co. was broken down Monday. At noon that day, when standing on the sills, there forty-nine cars of haddock bark and three cars of haddock for this enterprising firm.

NEWS OF LOCAL IMPORT.

Woman's Institute Meetings.
The Women's Institute will meet in Hill's hall, Acton, on Tuesday, 24th March. Afternoon and evening sessions will be held and demonstrations on cooking, by Miss Agnes Smith, Hamilton, will be given.

The Year's Local Paper.
An advertisement in the local paper, as a rule, is the cheapest thing which the country merchant gets. It is one of the best mediums at his command for extending the competition of the advertiser mental store. - Hamilton and Melton.

Don't Miss a Half-Bottle of Dye.
If that New York paper which devoted a whole page to Jim Hill intended to publish a series of illustrated articles on Canadian railways, "legitimate" might furnish it with a plain of the last rail that Dan Munro split before he left the old home-land in Esquimaux. - Geolph Herald.

The Big Horse Sale Today.
The members of Acton Horse Sale Association are particularly well satisfied with the response in the way of entries for their semi-annual sale, to be held here today. The entries cover a very fine list of horses and a good sale is sure to result. Catalogues of the list of horses offered have been distributed.

Received Every Paper.
A subscriber writes: "I received today your notice that my subscription expires this month. I received every issue during the past year and each one was like a letter from home. I could not get along without the Press, Pledge, and again enclose \$1.00 with best wishes for your continued success." - T. E. G. Such expressions on the part of subscribers are always appreciated by this journal.

Motor Train Service.
A delegation representing leading hotels in London, Bradford, Bolton, Geolph and other towns along the G. T. R., and headed by Senator McMullen, on Monday afternoon waited on Mr. C. M. Hays, general manager of the Grand Trunk Railway, at Montreal, and asked that a better passenger service be established between Toronto and Montreal. In his reply Mr. Hays promised that a better passenger service would be established.

Came Into Force Worthwhile.
An impression appears to prevail in some quarters of the town that the Charter of the Council does not come into force for a month and that the deacons were given a month to get rid of their stocks. This is not the case. The by-law went into force immediately upon receiving the signatures of the Mayor and Clerk and the seal of the Corporation. Any person selling cigarettes since, without a license, is liable to the penalties of the by-law.

Dairy Business Changed Hands.
The dairy business which has been carried on in the town for years by N. P. Moore on "Lakeside Farm" has been purchased by Messrs. Joseph Atherton & Sons, who take possession next Tuesday. Mr. Moore has done a good business and given satisfaction to a large number of customers. The Messrs. Atherton will not doubt do equally well. They have already an enviable reputation for superior dairy butter, and the milk and cream business will receive equal care and attention at their hands.

An Estimated Citizen's Good Fortune.
A large manufacturer of bags and canvas in the town has secured the services of Mr. W. D. Frick, who has been in charge of that department of the business of Messrs. W. H. Storey & Son for the past ten years. He receives a very tempting salary, and takes charge of the new position on Monday. Mr. Frick was a good citizen, and one of the foremost workers in Masonic circles, and at the present time is chairman of the local Board of Health. He will not remove his family to the city for several months.

A Proliferous From Japan.
Missionary anniversary services will be held in the Methodist Church on Sunday, 22nd inst., and the occasion promises to be one of rare interest. Rev. John Scott, D. D., of Tokyo, Japan, will preach morning and evening. Dr. Scott has been in Japan for seven or eight years and will have much of interest to relate respecting the important missionary work of the church in the Flowery Kingdom. A missionary review service will be held in the Sunday School in the afternoon and Dr. Scott will also address the school.

I. O. O. F. Fraternal Visit.
Eight or ten of the members of Acton Lodge No. 201, I. O. O. F., paid a fraternal visit to Milton Lodge on Tuesday evening. The occasion was most enjoyable to the brethren. The visit was the first of the kind, and the best degree in the Province exemplified the fraternal and degree work of the order. The new members were especially impressed with the many beautiful passages which occur with dramatic force in the exemplification. The Milton brethren proved themselves splendid hosts to the visitors.

New Owners of Farm Properties.
The well-known Gordon Hall property, lot 26, con. 5, Esquimaux, just east of Acton, has been sold to A. G. Charridge, of Geolphville, James Andrew, the present tenant, will remain on the farm until next year when Mr. Charridge will himself go on the place. He has secured a few new household goods, etc., the property of Mrs. John J. Lawson, Church St. Acton, sold at 1 o'clock. Terms cash. Win. Hendon, auctioneer.

John H. Hamilton's Electrical Machinery.
J. H. Hamilton's Electrical Machinery works at Geolph are now taking orders for Granite and Marble monuments to be set up this spring, at reduced prices. With the splendid new electric and pneumatic machinery, this establishment is able to execute for more and better work than ever before, and in order to keep the machinery running steadily very low prices are being given for work applied now. Call at the works for a card to J. H. Hamilton, Geolph.

Mr. Dan McMillenly has sold the Goodrich sign to Messrs. Vanmeter & Robertson. Under Mr. McMillenly's editorship the sign has been a dominant reputation. He has purchased an interest in the Land News, where he has the "Pledge" best wishes for continued success.

ROCKWOOD.

The Geolph cemetery will here on Tuesday. It made quite a stir in our usually quiet village.
On Thursday Mrs. Thomas Kelly, an esteemed friend of this locality, died after a brief illness of pneumonia. The circumstances attending Mrs. Kelly's death are particularly sad, as she leaves four children behind her, the eldest of whom is but a few months of age, and the youngest a babe of two weeks. Great sympathy is felt for Mrs. Kelly and her family in their affliction.

Mrs. Ralph Richardson, who was laid for a couple of weeks to visit her daughter, Mrs. Wagner, met with an accident last week, by which she had an arm and a leg broken. General sympathy is felt here for Mrs. Richardson in this trying experience.

The town had one of its best citizens last Thursday, by the death of Mr. Allan Holmes, driver. Mr. Holmes was taken ill a couple of weeks before and his illness developed into pneumonia. Mr. Holmes was a native of this vicinity, having been born here, sixty years ago. In his early manhood he purchased the farm on the southeast line of Ashgrove, now occupied by Richard Dick, Esq., where he remained until twenty-one years ago, when he settled in Geolph. Mr. Holmes and his family have ever since been highly esteemed citizens. For many years he was an official member of the Methodist Church. Mrs. Holmes and two children, Mrs. B. J. Summers, of St. Paul, Minn., and Mrs. C. C. Holmes, of Geolph, are left behind. The funeral was held on Saturday and was conducted by Rev. Austin Patton, of Geolph, and Rev. J. W. Shilton, B. A., of Drayton, a former pastor. Council for Holmes and Mr. Joseph Holmes, Acton, John of Toronto's, William of Campbellville and Mar-hall, Nassagawey, brother and William H. Holroyd, Brampton, a nephew, were the pall bearers.

At the noon hour Saturday five broke out in the extensive tannery of Hon. E. J. Davis, Commissioner of Crown Lands, at King's Ont., which was entirely destroyed. The loss is \$100,000, which is partially covered by insurance.

Some babies appear always ugly, tempered. It can't be all original sin, either, in your baby's waywardness. Your baby's not a cross baby for nothing. He is cross because he is uncomfortable. A difference like this is effected by Baby's Own Tablets. They do not irritate and do not harm. They are sweet and children like them. No mother has ever used Baby's Own Tablets without finding that they are good for children of all ages. Mrs. M. Waters, Sheehans, Que., says: "I have used many medicines for little ones but have never found anything equal to Baby's Own Tablets. I simply would not be without them in the house, and I strongly recommend them to all other mothers."

Baby's Own Tablets cure all the minor ailments of little ones, and you have a positive guarantee that they contain no opiate or harmful drug. Sold by all druggists or sent on postal order at 25c a box by writing direct to Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Consumption Prevented and Cured.
Consumption free remedies for all sufferers reading this paper. New Cure for Tuberculosis, Consumption, Weak Lungs, Coughs, and Windy Systems.
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Do your lungs pain?
Is your throat sore and inflamed?
Do you spit up phlegm?
Does your head ache?
Is your appetite bad?
Are your lungs delicate?
Are you losing flesh?
Are you pale and thin?
Do you lack stamina?
The system are proof that you have in your body the seeds of the most dangerous malady that has ever devastated the earth—consumption.

FREE TRIAL TREATMENT
with the Year Free Preparation will forward you a bottle of the medicine. The medicine is a powerful cure for Consumption, Tuberculosis, Weak Lungs, Coughs, and Windy Systems, complicated by Loss of Heart, Stomach, Catarrh, Kidney, and other ailments. It is a powerful and reliable remedy for all the above ailments. It is a powerful and reliable remedy for all the above ailments. It is a powerful and reliable remedy for all the above ailments.

AUCTION SALES REGISTERED.
WEDNESDAY, April 1st.—Sale of farm stock, implements, dairy utensils, etc., the property of N. P. Moore, Esquimaux. Sale at 1 o'clock. Terms \$10 and eight months. Wm. Hendon, Auctioneer.

THURSDAY, March 26th.—The property of Albert Early, lot 7, 10th line, Esquimaux. Sale comprises pedigree shorthorn cattle, horses, sheep, pig, implements, etc. The terms are \$10 cash, and 6 months credit. Six per cent. per annum discount for cash. Sale to commence at 12 o'clock. John Smith, Auctioneer.

SATURDAY EVENING, 27th March.—Sale of household goods, etc., the property of Mrs. John J. Lawson, Church St. Acton. Sale at 6:30 o'clock. Terms cash. Wm. Hendon, auctioneer.

WINTER ORDERS FOR DELIVERY.
J. H. Hamilton's Electrical Machinery works at Geolph are now taking orders for Granite and Marble monuments to be set up this spring, at reduced prices. With the splendid new electric and pneumatic machinery, this establishment is able to execute for more and better work than ever before, and in order to keep the machinery running steadily very low prices are being given for work applied now. Call at the works for a card to J. H. Hamilton, Geolph.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Mr. D. D. Christie, of Geolph, spent Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday, at the home of Mrs. Laid, a visiting of the home of Mrs. Laid.

Mr. J. L. Eyle returned on Monday from his trip to British Columbia. Mr. Eyle is returning to Cedar Valley this week, with his family.

Mr. C. V. Stafford, of St. Thomas, is spending a week or an eighth friends here.

Mr. Joseph Finlayson, of Toronto, spent last Wednesday with friends here.

Mr. Charles Thompson, of Chatham, was in town on Monday to visit his sister.

Mr. Thompson, of Detroit, visited his cousin, Mr. George Campbell, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. David Snyder spent several days this week with Toronto friends.

Mr. John McDermond, of Georgetown, spent a couple of days last week in town.

Mr. Charles Trewin, of Georgetown, was in town receiving acquaintances this week.

Mr. Richard Somerville, of Leblond, spent a few days during the week with friends here.

Captain McGregor, of Windsor, visited at the home of H. S. Holmes a day or so this week.

Miss Mary Moore returned on Tuesday after spending a week with friends in Georgetown.

Miss Marie Masulas, of Geolph, was the guest the past week of Miss Marie Masulas and other friends.

Mr. J. A. Harvey, of Acton, is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. C. Hollenback, of 8 Sultan street, Toronto.

Mr. Ralph Campbell and his daughter, Mrs. Hunt, were guests during the week at the home of Mr. J. C. Campbell.

Mr. C. E. Husband left for his home at Oakton, N. W. T., on Monday after spending the winter with friends in Nassagawey and Acton.

Miss Milly Diggins was called to the death of her father, Mr. J. Diggins, on Friday evening. She is the only daughter of the late Mr. Diggins, who died in the town of Geolph.

Mrs. Angeline Augusta Cooke, wife of Dr. A. H. Cooke, of Chicago, and mother of the late Rev. Mr. Cooke, of Acton, died in Chicago on Monday.

LINES WE LEAD IN

Wall Paper
Window Shades
Curtain Poles

GEO. HYND, Acton

Nobody ever outgrows wallpaper! It looks well on the walls of a well-furnished home.

STOP THE COUGH! AND WORRY OFF THE COLDS.

Active from Ontario Tablets give a safe cure for Coughs, Colds, and Bronchitis.

The RIGHT HOUSE

"HAMILTON'S FAVORITE SHOPPING PLACE."

Wash Dress Fabrics

Magnificent Assortment, Very Beautiful Designs.

The stock is at the pinnacle of its goodness now. Why not choose your new gown while the assortments are so complete? The wheat buyers are doing this. Beyond dispute this is one of the finest collections of Wash Dress Goods ever brought into Canada.

10c, 12c, 15c, 18c, 25c, 35c, 50c, up to \$1.25 Yard.
Beautiful makes of Snowflake Gingham, Cotton Voile, Fancy Printed Muslin, Linen Batistes, Mercantile Canvas Weaves, Zephyr Gingham, Flax and Fancy Mercerized Vestings, Mercerized Cheviots, and Sole de Laine, a beautiful new plain and fancy weaves which make up very smartly. Very pretty and new designs and extremely exquisite colorings. A beautiful showing in centre aisle, ground floor.

Crossley's Velvet Carpets \$1. Worth \$1.15 and \$1.25
Good fortune came our way when we secured this lot of Crossley's celebrated Velvet Carpets. We would have to pay quite a little more for them in the ordinary way of trade. We started the sale with 1500 yards. Beautiful patterns in light and dark shades of terra cotta, lawn, wood shade, blue and green. Designs suitable for dining rooms, drawing rooms, bed rooms and halls. Our regular prices for carpets like these are \$1.15 to \$1.25; these are on sale at \$1.00 yard.

New Spring Prints, Splendid Quality Very Special Prices.
An immense stock of the very best to select from, and purchased under such conditions that ensure our getting the very best value for your money.

Best quality of French Cambric, light grounds, with neat designs, narrow stripes, figures and spots, in pinks, black and blues, fat colors and very suitable for men's shirts, special value at per yard. 25c.
French Cambric, indigo blue grounds, with small designs of anchor, brooches, up to, and stripes of white, desirable for ladies' and children's wear, per yard. 25c.

Better Heavy Duck Prints, in solid and navy grounds, and spot, figure and striped designs, in white, very special value at per yard. 12c.
Big range of good pattern and colorings in prints at 5, 7, 8, and 10c. per yard.

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King St. East, Cor. Hughson St. Hamilton

A BREAK IN PRICES
ON ORDERED CLOTHING

WE HAVE decided to offer 200 Suit Lengths of foreign and domestic Tweeds, Serges and Worsted at prices that will seem to you very low for such good tailoring as we do. Nearly the entire lot are new goods from the very best mills in Great Britain and Canada; are of stylish stripes and checks, in light, medium and dark patterns; Black Worsteds and Blue Serges. They are a most desirable selection to choose from.

ALL THIS WEEK WE WILL DEVOTE OUR ENTIRE FRONT TO A SHOWING OF THESE GOODS

We have divided them into four lots of 50 Suits each, and this is the way we have priced them:
50 Suit Lengths of Tweed, in light, medium and dark shades, worth \$18, made to your measure at \$15.50
50 Suit Lengths of light, medium and dark shades, worth up to \$22 the Suit, your pick to order for \$16.
50 Suit Lengths of Stylish Tweeds and Worsteds, in stripes and checks, all this season's goods, worth as high as \$22.50, made to your measure at \$18 the Suit.
50 Suit Lengths of English and Scotch Tweeds, Irish Serges, and Black Worsteds, worth from \$22 to \$25.00, made to order at \$19 the Suit.

COME IN AND HAVE A LOOK—WE'LL LET YOU BE THE JUDGE.

D. E. MACDONALD & BRO.
5 and 7 Wyndham-st. 3 Entrances. 55 Macdonnell-st
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EPILEPSY CURED

Had temper in his own courage. Few things are more bitter than to feel like a man. A man's name means himself more than his village. Charles Houston.

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THIS LITTLE CO., 717 King Street West, Toronto.

Rainy Weather Coats.

What greater comfort and protection can you get out of any garment in the damp spring like weather of the present than out of a good rain coat of our make? We have the best makes known in the trade and have them all sizes and prices.

Women's
Lined with soft pure rayon almost odorless, guaranteed quality. \$22.50, \$27.50, \$32.50.

Maids'
Show from the smallest up to the largest and can fill and figure.

Men's
In Black Serge Coats with capes, regular \$42.50, our price \$27.50. In grey and fawn tweeds with velvet collar, a very serviceable coat, regular \$35, our price \$22.50.

Sample Coats.
We have a range of manufacturer's samples of men's and women's Rain Coats bought at a discount of 25 per cent. of which we give you the benefit.

E. R. BOLLERT & CO.

25 and 27 Wyndham St., GUELPH.

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Is our range of Ladies' and Gentlemen's

Rain Coats.
For the fast approaching Spring season. Our range of Ladies' coats is particularly full and attractive in famous Grey, Black and Navy's, very natty garments, displaying all the Newest Ideas. Yorks' Effort, full back, Crofton flannel skirt with cording. The values are exceptionally good, and will repay your inspection.

Neck Ribbons.
All the newest shades in plain and striped taffeta—better prices than ever.

Kid Gloves.
Range complete for Spring in Black, White, Grey and Brown shades. Our great "Dollar" leader is better than ever this season.

Dress Goods.
For early Spring Goods buyers, we have some very new and pretty woad materials in Puffalotins, Silk Velours, striped and fancy Silk Delaines, etc.

Fine Lace Shoes.
We would especially direct the attention of the ladies to our up-to-date Fine Lace Shoes for Spring Wear. Glove, Bangala Stock, Extension Soles, Broad Toes, French Back and all the other new features are displayed.

Boys and Girls' Shoes.
Our Boys and Girls' Shoes have been great trade winners the past season and the quality and values are fully maintained.

Rubbers.
We are still selling Rubbers at those close prices—Get your spring supply now.

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Boots, Shoes Slippers, Rubbers, Polishers, &c.

Reliable Stock. - Prices Low.

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chaste and artistic settings from the foremost designers and makers of high class jewelry. are selected for our customers. There is not a single gem in this store that is not of the finest quality. There is almost no limit, the can go as high as the purse permits, but whatever the price paid—be it small or large—the quality will be just as high.

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