Three Men Suffocated in a Well.

Near Parkhill, on the 24th ult., a farmer named Charles Hill was being lowered into a well which he was sinking, and when about half way down he fell from the bucket to the bottom, a depth of thirteen feet in all. The man who was lowering him at once summoned John Galbraith, a near neighbour, who was let down into the well, and on reaching about the same depth also fell to the bottom. At this time a third party was summoned, but some friends objected to his peril[illegible] life, so a man named Abner Whiting bravely volunteered to go down, and if possible rescue the two unfortunate men. On being lowered into the well he met with the same fate as his friends. The bodies were afterwards raised by means of grappling irons. The cause of the sad accident is attributed to an escape of gas from the bottom of the well, which must have suffocated the unfortunate men as soon as entering it.

TWO MORE MEN SUFFOCATED IN ANOTHER WELL.

Near Seaforth, on the 25th ult., Wm. Papple, of the 8th concession of Tuckersmith, and his brother Robert, were engaged in the digging of a well. They had got down nearly fifty feet, when William, who was in the well, called out to his brother to draw him up, as he felt dizzy. This was done at once, but before he reached the surface he became faint, and fell from the bucket to the bottom. In hope of rendering assistance, Robert was lowered in the bucket, but on getting down about twenty feet he became oppressed by the gas, and called to be drawn up, but fell from the bucket before reaching the top, as his brother had done a few minutes before. The bodies were not recovered for some hours after. An inquest was held by Dr. Campbell, coroner.

Terrible Storm and Fatal Accident.

At Bradford, on the 24th ult., a terrible gale occurred, blowing down the Town Hall, a large brick building. The grammar school was held in the basement, and several of the scholars were injured and one killed. Those injured were:—Charles Wilson, cut and bruised about the head; Herbert Cockerline, head badly crushed; A. J. Kilpatrick, hurt in the back. These three will probably recover; the fourth, Alexander Wood, was found entirely buried in a mass of bricks and broken timbers, and when taken out life was quite extinct. It is miraculous that any of the scholars escaped instant destruction. In addition to the above several other buildings were unroofed, or partially blown down, chimneys demolished, and windows blown in.

—Nails $3.50 per keg at Second Bros., Acton.

Paris Green, Dead-shot and Electric Potato Bug Destroyer, at Second Bros.

—Judge Neilson, who so patiently and impartially presided at the great trial of "Tilton against Beecher," in New York City, is a native of Canada—born at or near Niagara.

—A. D. Macdonald & Co., contractors for section five on the London, Huron, and Bruce Railway, have commenced grading at Blyth. Mr. Macdonald expects to have his section, extending from Blyth to Wingham, completed in September.

THE grasshoppers that infest the cornfields of the west have become of some use, the Mennonites having solved the problem of utilizing them by preparing them into soup, which they declare to be very delicious. They say they are not more repulsive than shrimps, which are sold by the pint, and considered a rare treat by many. It is certain, however, that the quadrupeds of Missouri take to the grasshoppers very readily, and are very anxious that grasshoppers in general should be used by Americans. This a very good way to get rid of the pest. We should imagine, however, that it would take a pretty strong stomach to get used to this diet. It appears to be quite evident that if the inhabitants of that part of the west don't devour the grasshoppers the grasshoppers will devour them. What say some of our subscribers in this county to a dish of grasshopper soup? They are said to be more than nice when you get used to them.

ACCIDENT AT A RAISING.—The Elora *Express* says that at the raising of a barn for Mr. Ebin Goolits, 5th con. of Garafraxa, on Wednesday, 13th inst., there were several accidents. The most seriously hurt were Levi Tibbit, who fell from the top of the building and was insensible for a time from a blow and a deep cut on the head, and Edw. Mills who had his foot crushed.

PRESBYTERIAN UNION.—On the 15th ult. the union of the various Presbyterian bodies in the Dominion was finally consummated by [illegible] a unanimous vote of the [illegible] organizations, in "council assembled," in the city of Montreal. [illegible] enthusiasm and good fellowship prevailed, and a most Christian spirit generally pervaded the [illegible]. Rev. Dr. [illegible] "Old Kirk" minister of [illegible] elected, the first [illegible] of the united bodies.

Now that the warm weather is at hand, we think housekeepers will thank us for the following method of keeping butter cool:—Set over the dish containing it a large flower-pot or unglazed earthenware crock inverted. Wrap a wet cloth around the covering vessel, and place the whole where there is a draught of air.

NEW GRANGE.—On Wednesday, 16th ult., a new Grange was organized at Melville, Caledon Township, by Bro. W. Clarke, Master of the Charleston Grange, assisted by Bro. F. Harrison of the same Grange. Henry Scott was elected master, Allan Maxwell, overseer, and Geo. Shaw, lecturer.

ROBSIN HOUSE, Acton. Close to the G. T. Railway Station. Excellent accommodation for the travelling public. THOS. CAMPBELL, Props.

C. C. RICHARDSON, PAINTER, Carriage, House, Sign and Ornamental Painting promptly attended to. Shop—Over Ryder's Carriage Factory, Mill street, Acton.

WANTED,
1000 CORDS OF
Good Hemlock Bark
For which I will pay FIVE DOLLARS per Cord,
AT THE ACTON TANNERY
Delivered in summer.
G. L. BEARDMORE, Proprietor.
Z. A. HALL, Agent.
Acton, July 1, 1875.

BONUS to Manufacturers.
THE VILLAGE OF ACTON
Is prepared to grant a Bonus to any parties locating any kind of manufacturing business, employing from 10 to 100 hands and upwards, and whose trade business does not conflict with any business already established in the corporation. Acton possesses a good railway facility, being on the Grand Trunk Railway, thirty miles west of Toronto, is a beautiful and healthy location, is free from municipal debt, and property can be obtained on reasonable terms.
JAMES G. HILL,
Village Clerk.
Acton, July 1, 1875.

ACTON BAKERY.

The subscriber begs to inform the inhabitants of Acton and vicinity that he is prepared to supply
First-class Bread, Buns, Cakes Biscuits, etc.
Fresh every day—delivered at their houses.
WEDDING CAKES
Made to order in the latest styles and at reasonable charges.
Highest price in Cash paid for Eggs.
D. GALLOWAY.
Acton, July 1, 1875.

PHOTOGRAPHS!
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J. G. HILL
ACTON,
Would respectfully inform the public that within the past few weeks he has had great improvements made in the arrangement of light, and that he is now prepared to
Turn Out First-class Work
during any part of the day, in all kinds of weather.
I have secured the services of Mr. W. H. KAHRS, a first-class artist, late of New York city, and as his time is limited, all would do well to call at once who are desirous of obtaining pictures which for artistic tightness and brilliancy of finish are unequalled outside of the first city galleries in the Dominion.
Having lately purchased another very valuable instrument second to none in the country, I am enabled to produce work any size, from the ordinary card picture to 11x14.
In Copying and Enlarging,
Any size can be obtained and finished in Ink, Oil, Water Color, Crayon or Plain, and in the highest style of the art.
I would again remind the public that I have constantly in stock a large assortment of
Oval and Square Picture Frames Plain and Fancy Mouldings, &c.
which will be sold at the lowest prices.
Parties anxious to secure a really artistic picture will please bear in mind that it will be to their interest to call early, as Mr. Kahrs will be unable to remain in Acton longer than a few weeks.
JAMES G. HILL,
Photo.
Acton, July 1, 1875.

SPLENDID VALUE IN
CROQUET
AT
DAY'S BOOKSTORE.
A complete set, containing eight Mallets, Balls, ten Arches, two Stakes, with Book of Instructions of the Game, all done up in strong case
FOR $2.60
AT
Day's Bookstore.
Day Sells Cheap.

Baby Carriages
Will be Cleared out at Special Low Prices—25 per cent below the old fashioned high price.
AT DAY'S BOOK STORE, GUELPH.
Guelph, July 1, 1875.

R. CREECH,
ACTON.
Wholesale Manufacturer of
COLLARS,
DEALER IN
Saddles,
Harness,
Trunks,
Valises,
Travelling Bags,
Horse Clothing,
Whips,
Combs
And Brushes
All orders given into our hands will be strictly attended to and warranted to give satisfaction, as we employ none but the best workmen and material.
COLLARS warranted to give satisfaction, as they are of our own manufacture.
REPAIRING
Of all kinds done with neatness and on the shortest notice.
All who require goods in our line will do well to give us a call before purchasing elsewhere.
Remember the Stand—
R. CREECH, Acton.
July 1, 1875.

NEW
Dominion Saddlery
ACTON.
CHARLES DEAN
Has much pleasure in announcing to the people of Acton and surrounding country that he is now prepared to supply customers with everything in the line of
HARNESS,
SADDLES,
TRUNKS,
WHIPS,
HORSE CLOTHING, Etc.
Prices to Suit the Times.
All Work Warranted.
Collars made a specialty.
Give him a call and he will do you good
Acton, July 1, 1875.

ACTON
PLANING MILLS
AND
Pump, Sash, Door and Blind Factory.
EBBAGE & CAMPBELL,
Manufacturers of
Window Sash,
Doors,
Venetian Blinds
Mouldings,
And other Building Requisites
Also Makers of
IMPROVED SUCTION PUMPS
Lumber Planed and Dressed to order in the best manner.
All work guaranteed.
Acton, July 1, 1875.

G. E. MORROW,
Chemist and Druggist
ACTON,
DEALER IN
DRUGS,
CHEMICALS,
PERFUMERY,
PATENT AND
PROPRIETARY,
MEDICINES.
Always on hand a large and well-selected stock of
Dye-Stuffs, Liquid Dye, Fancy and Toilet Soaps, Brushes, Sponges, Trusses for Children and Adults, Shoulder Braces for Men, Women and Children, Paints, dry and in oil, Books, Stationery and Fancy Goods.
PURE WINES AND LIQUORS
For Medicinal Purposes.
Physicians' Prescriptions and Domestic Receipts, and Horse and Cattle Medicines, carefully compounded.
G. E. MORROW,
Medical Hall, Acton.
Acton, July, 1875.

SECORD BROS.,
MONTREAL HOUSE,
ACTON.
In Hardware our stocks are full; our prices cannot be undersold.
In Crockery and Glassware we hold large stocks, and at prices below the market. Granite sets from three dollars.
In Groceries, we have one of the largest and choicest stocks west of Toronto.
Our stock of Teas is not equalled, and ranging from 15 cents to 90 cents per pound.
10 lbs best White Crushed or Granulated Sugar for $1.
11 lbs best Bright Refined Sugar for $1
12 lbs best Medium Sugar for $1
13 lbs Dark Moscow Sugar for $1.
Turnip Seeds and Harvest Tools, &c., in Great Variety.

CLEARING SALE
Startling, Sweeping and Unheard of Bargains
TO BE GIVEN AT THE SEMI-ANNUAL SALE OF
McLEOD, ANDERSON & Co.
GEORGETOWN.
In order to make room for our Fall Importations, and to ease our fixtures of loads of Dry Goods, and on account of the scarcity of money, we have determined on a more sweeping, energetic and
CHEAPER CLEARING SALE
Than hitherto attempted, as we must convert the goods into Cash.
Remember the Sales are FOR CASH, and in no case will a second price be made.
We enumerate our Leading Departments:
DRESS GOODS from five cents upwards.
PRINTS, from five cents upwards.
MUSLINS from five cents upwards.
COTTONS, White and Grey, from 5 cts. upwards
MILLINERY, MANTLES, SHAWLS AND PARASOLS, large lots, for Half price.
Special lines of SILK MANTLES for $2.00, worth $6.50.
Special Bargains in CHECK SHIRTINGS, DENIMS, DRILLS, and ALL STAPLE GOODS.
A Special line of LADIES' COLLARS AND CUFFS—wholesale price $1.63 and $2.17—for 50c and 75c.
Special lines in LINEN DRESS GOODS, for 15c and 20c, worth 37½c and 50c per yard.
It is impossible for us to enumerate all the GREAT BARGAINS we have we have to offer, but we especially want to meet the hard times, so come all and be convinced.
We again remind the public that our
Millinery and Ordered Clothing Departments
Are second to none in the Dominion, and outstrip anything of the kind West of Toronto.
The Sale will commence on the First of July and continue for six weeks.
McLEOD, ANDERSON & Co.,
Mammoth House, Georgetown.
July 1, 1875.

GRAND CLEARING SALE
OF
Staple and Fancy Dry Goods
AT THE FASHIONABLE WEST END.
The inhabitants of the Village of Acton and surrounding country are invited to attend the Grand Clearing Sale of
Staple and Fancy Dry Goods
Now Going on at the
FASHIONABLE WEST END
Dress, Mantle and Millinery Establishment,
UPPER WYNDHAM STREET, GUELPH.
Immense Crowds every day. Astonishing Bargains to be had. Come and See.
A. O. BUCHAM,
Fashionable West End Dress, Mantle and Millinery Establishment.
Guelph, July 1, 1875.

THE CENTRAL STORE
Mill Street, Acton,
Is the Place for Cheap Goods.
J. W. MANN'S
STOCK OF
Dry Goods,
Ready-Made Clothing,
Groceries,
Crockery and
Glassware
Is Large, Well Selected and CHEAP.
Groceries always fresh and of the best quality.
Great Bargains may be always had for Cash or Produce.
I wish to do strictly a Cash business, as our goods are selling at the LOWEST Market Prices.
Highest price paid for all kinds of Produce
Call and Examine our Stock.
Acton, July 1, 1875.

GRAND CLEARING SALE
OF
BOOTS AND SHOES
At KENNEDY BROS.
The undersigned having disposed of their Grocery business, and having purchased the immense stock of Boots and Shoes of Mr. JAMES MATTHEWS, are now prepared to offer to the inhabitants of Acton and vicinity
GREAT BARGAINS FOR CASH
In Men's English and American Styles of Shoes and Gaiters, and in Ladies' and Childrens' Goat, Kid and Prunellas, which for Style and Durability cannot be equalled in the county.
PARTICULAR ATTENTION PAID TO
Custom Work and Repairing
Having secured the very valuable services of Mr. THOS. EDGAR, who as a Cutter, is unexcelled, a fit will be guaranteed, or no sale.
Sewed Work a Speciality.
Remember the Stand—Main St., opposite Dominion Hotel.
KENNEDY BROS.
N.B.—All Book accounts must be settled at once.
Acton, July 1, 1875

ACTON
Steam Carriage and Wagon Works
MILL STREET.
MICHAEL SPEIGHT,
General Blacksmith, Carriage and Wagon Maker.
Best Horse-Shoers in the County
Perfect satisfaction guaranteed or no price charged.
FIRST-CLASS PLOWS
AND
Collard's Patent Iron Harrows
Always on hand.
A Good Stock of Carriages and Wagons.
REPAIRING promptly and properly attended to.
Acton, July 1, 1875.

CLIPS.

There is no less than 40,756 [illegible] years in America. Gracious!

—A violent shock of earthquake was felt in Chicago and other western towns last week.

—If you want your paint to stand the weather and hold the color, get the best quality of paints and oils at Secord Bros. Acton.

The heaviest item of American manufacture exported is that of refined petroleum. It foots up the enormous sum of $37,000,000 annually.

—The best quality and finish of Scythes, Forks, &c., made in the country are made by the Welland Vale Manufacturing Co., and are kept in great variety by Secord Bros., Acton.

Jacques de Lakis, now in Paris, claims that he was born in 1620, and that he is consequently 255 years old. All the people do not believe him, however.

The distillation of whiskey in the United States last year amounted to 62,574,965 gallons, on which was paid a total internal revenue tax of $43,188,870.

—It is a well known fact that the largest stocks of Choice Teas held west of Toronto by any retail house are held by Secord Bros., Acton.

A lively lady remarked: "I notice that those woman's rights' people are invariably men's lefts." Mr. Dickens used to repeat this with admiration.

A young lady who had no time to spare for making garments for the poor has been engaged three weeks embroidering a blanket for her poodle dog.

It is stated that Mr. Geo. Smith, whose discovery and translation of a number of Assyrian tablets which throw light on Bible history have made his name well known, is to be sent by the British Treasury Department to renew his researches in Mesopotamia. The sum of £1,000 has been placed at his disposal.

—It is a fact that people who deal at Secord Bros. buy their goods from 10 to 20 per cent less than those who don't. They send goods to Guelph, Goderich, Georgetown, Milton, and all other parts of the country daily. When you want a handsome China or glass tea set, look at our very large stock. Twelve different kinds and patterns of China sets in stock. White granite tea sets, 44 pieces, from $3.00. China sets from $5.00 to $20.00 per set. Secord Bros.

The "lead" in lead pencils is not lead at all, though it is called "black lead." The weight, if nothing else tells you that. It is a mineral called *graphite*, (from the Greek word to write) and is more nearly related to coal than to lead. You have learned that both coal and the diamond are forms of the element, carbon. Graphite is still another shape in which carbon is found; it usually contains a very little iron. Plumbago is another name for it. It cannot be melted, but at a very high heat it will burn. The fine kinds are very scarce.

THE Colorado beetle is worse than ever in the neighbourhood of Galt. A Branchton gentleman says he thinks the bugs are ten times as numerous as last year. To save the potato crops diligent care will be required. Paris Green is being disposed of in large quantities by our merchants, the best selling at fifty cents per pound. Farmers and others troubled with beetles, would be wise to purchase Paris Green at once and apply it. The sooner the bugs are destroyed the better for next year's outlook, as well as for the present crop.

—The heroes of a twelve days' drill at Niagara returned on Saturday afternoon last, well covered with dust. They had an unusually quiet time in camp, nothing of any interest happening, with the exception of a valuable horse being shot by some of the soldiers while drilling. It was valued at $200; a cheque for $140 was given the owner. The Government, of course, will have to foot the bill.—*Halton Herald.*

The Peculiar People in London.

The London "Times" says: "The Peculiar People, several of whose members are now awaiting trial for manslaughter in not calling in medical aid when members of their body were sick, have resolved boldly to put to practical test the question as to whether medical aid is really a necessity, or whether prayer alone is not sufficient efficacious in all cases of sickness. For some time past a large 20-roomed house, situated in Tower street, on the north-east side of London Fields, has been empty. A few days since much excitement was caused in the neighbourhood by the appearance outside the house of a board bearing the following inscription: 'House of Faith.' 'And all things whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.'—Matthew xxi. [illegible] 'Is any sick among you? [illegible] for the elders of the church, [illegible] them pray over him and anoint him with oil in the name of [illegible]. And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins they shall be forgiven him. Confess your faults one to another, and pray for one another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.'—St. James, chapter v. [illegible] verses. 'And these signs [illegible] follow them that believe; in my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.' [illegible] Marff, shop, [illegible] There is to be a strenuous effort [illegible] part of the [illegible] the opening of the house.