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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

Any person or persons trespassing on Lot 28, Concession 3, of the Township of Equestre, (adjoining the Village of Acton), or injuring trees of any kind, or leaving gates improperly shut, or fencing partly down, will be subject to prosecution after this date.

D. S. ARMSTRONG.
Acton, August 20, 1876.

COW STRAYED.

Strayed from Mr. Sidney Smith's field, about the 10th of August, a white Cow, with red spot, medium size, 4 years old, short-crooked horns, a gimlet hole in right horn. A liberal reward will be given to any person who will give such information as will lead to her recovery.

MALCOLM KENNEDY.
Acton, Aug. 24, 1876.

LAMB STRAYED.

A Ram Lamb, about four months old, strayed from the premises of D. McNair on Tuesday, 10th inst. Any one giving information which will lead to its recovery will be liberally rewarded.

D. McNair.
Acton, Aug. 18, 1876.

OVERCOAT LOST.

In the neighborhood of Acton, on Monday, July 24th, a light-colored summer-overcoat. The finder will be rewarded by leaving it at this office.

FOR SALE.

A desirable residence in the town of Acton, consisting of 24 acres of land, a comfortable dwelling house, a frame barn, and a small orchard of excellent fruit trees. Terms reasonable. Application to be made to H. McPhee, Kilmara P.O.

KENNEDY'S

Marble Works,
Opposite site from Mills & Goodfellow's Foundry, and
Near Erasmus Bridge,
Guelph.

ALL KINDS OF

MONUMENTS

Tombs, Stones, Mantle Pieces, &c., made to any size or design, and put up in any part of the country.

W. S. Kennedy is a practical marble cutter.

I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE ALL

my accounts and notes paid in by the first day of September next, before adopting the cash system.

JAS. MATTHEWS.

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, 1876.

G. D. PRINGLE,

Watchmaker, Guelph.

Takes advantage of the Free Press to thank his customers in and around Acton for their past patronage, and so to act as a continuance.

G. D. P. also hopes soon to make arrangements whereby watches and jewelry may be sent to and from Guelph, with safety, and without trouble and expense to his customers.

Guelph, July 15, 1876.

ACTON BAKERY.

The Toronto Nation gives the Mail a keen cut. It says: "The more respectable Conservatives must surely have become pretty sick of their daily reading. They must be ready to exchange their gentlemanly journal for something that can be laid upon the table of a decent citizen."

The Memorite emigration to Manitoba is over for the season. During the last five months eight hundred and eighty families, or forty-four persons, one-third of these coming this year, have settled in the province.

The foot and mouth disease has broken out in Dorsetshire, where 12,000 animals are down with it. The disease is spreading to other parts of England.

First-class Bread, Buns, Cakes

Biscuits, &c.

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, 1876.

GRAND TRUNK TIME TABLE.

Trains leave Acton as follows:—

Train	Time
Morning Mail	9:10 a.m.
Day Express	1:50 p.m.
Mixed	5:20 p.m.
Night Express	7:15 p.m.
Night Express	12:45 a.m.

ACTON POST OFFICE.

Mails going West are closed at 8:45 a.m. Going East at 5 p.m.

Registered Letters must be in five minutes before the above hours.

Knottsbull mail, Tuesdays and Fridays.

ACTON MARKETS.

Commodity	Price
White Wheat	1 15 to 1 16
Treadwell	1 15 to 1 16
Spring Wheat	1 10 to 1 10
Do. do. do.	0 20 to 0 20
Peas	0 75 to 0 75
Potatoes, new, per bush	0 70 to 0 75
Do. do. do.	0 12 to 0 12
Butter	0 18 to 0 18
Eggs	0 12 to 0 12
Dried Apples, per bush	0 08 to 0 08
Pork	0 12 to 0 12
Raspberries, per lb.	0 05 to 0 05
Green Peas, per bush	1 00 to 1 00
Hay, per ton	14 00 to 15 00

GUELPH MARKETS.

Fall wheat, \$1.18 to \$1.20; treadwell, \$1.17 to \$1.18; spring wheat, (Guelph), \$1.12 to \$1.13; spring wheat, (red chaff), \$1.10 to \$1.12; oats, 4 to 4 1/2; peas, 8 to 10; barley, 7 to 8; eggs, per dozen, 11 to 12; butter, heavy packed, 17 to 19; potatoes, per bag, 7 to 8; wool, 20 to 22.

TORONTO MARKETS.

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JOS. H. MACKING, EDITOR.

FRIDAY MORNING, AUG. 27, 1876.

The Writs to fill vacancies in Ontario local constituencies were issued last Monday.

Mr. Crooks is likely to be returned by a good majority in South Oxford.

The Reformers of East Kent have unanimously elected Mr. D. McCraney of Bellwell, their candidate.

Mr. J. Smith, Reform M. P. P., for North Victoria has been unseated on the ground of corrupt practices.

A protest has been entered against the recent return of Mr. Snetinger as Reform member for Fernwall in the Ontario Legislature.

Mr. Thomas White, jr., has been unanimously nominated as the Liberal-Conservative candidate to contest Montreal West for the House of Commons.

The trial of the petition against the return of Mr. B. Devlin, Reform M. P., for Montreal Centre, G. L. BEARDMORE, Proprietor, has concluded, and the respondent has been unseated.

Dr. O'Sullivan, Conservative, who was recently unseated in East Peterboro', will again be a candidate for the representation of that constituency in the Ontario Legislature.

The last number of the Mark Lane Express, in its review of the crop prospects, says that there has been a general though small decline in prices, owing to the favorable turn in the weather experienced in Europe. The Continental harvest is better than was expected.

SOUTH OXFORD.—The Hon. Mr. Crooks has issued his address to the electors of South Oxford. In speaking of his desire to possess a seat, he states that one of his objects was to explain, defend, or account for the administration of his Department, and goes on to say: "Without such a qualification I had no intention of continuing a member of the Government, and from the time of my defeat in East Toronto I was desirous of being relieved from the position, unless the opportunity was presented within a reasonable time before the Legislature could be convened of my being elected for another constituency."

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GENERAL NEWS.

One hundred thousand money order blanks have been stolen from the Washington post office.

It is said in Ottawa that Mr. Mackenzie is to be tendered a grand reception on his arrival at Quebec.

The Pope has received the six millions of dollars left him by the late Emperor Ferdinand of Austria.

A number of Abyssinians are reported to be making preparations to invade the Egyptian frontier.

The Globe, of Saturday, gives its usual free advertisement to the Nation and Mr. Goldwin Smith.

The Advertiser announces the end of the world for the 10th of September, and this will knock all our fall shows higher than a kite.

The Guelph and Leaf's beat the St. Lawrence Club of Kingston on Monday by 3 runs. Score—12 to 9.

Mr. Wm. Hall, of Peterborough, who has just died, left \$30,000 to be distributed in charities among the Protestant poor of that town.

The first annual matches of the Halton Rifle Club will take place on Thursday, 23rd September and following days.

Messrs. John Smith, of Elora, and Joseph Shaw, of Orangeville, have been appointed Official Assesors, for the County of Wellington.

Accounts from many different districts throughout Ontario, are to the effect that the potato crop this year will be very abundant.

A young woman of Hamilton on Friday committed suicide by taking strychnine. A quirel with her cousin, to whom she was engaged, prompted the act.

The approaching Ontario camp meeting, at the old camp ground, Grimsby, is likely to be the largest gathering of the kind ever held in Canada.

The international banquet given by the Mayor and Corporation of London to the hon. the Earl of Grey, on Saturday last, was given by Mr. Robert Raine, of Tullamore, and weighed 62lbs to 100lbs. The price realized was \$125.

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A By-Law, granting a bonus of \$20,000 in aid of the Lake Simcoe Junction Railway, was passed last week in Guelphville. This road will run from Stouffville to Jackson's Point, on Lake Simcoe, a distance of twenty-nine miles. This will be another important feeder to the Nipissing road.

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It would do well for coroners to bear in mind that inquests held on a Sunday are illegal, and that on more than one occasion the holding of such investigations on that day has led to most lamentable failures of justice.

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The Guelph Herald is informed that it is intended to erect a new Roman Catholic church on the site of St. Bartholomew's church in that town on a much larger scale than the present building. The plans, it is said, are already prepared and ready.

Mr. Thos. Gowdy, of Limehouse, shipped 25 barrels of Ontario's produce, or water lime, to Messrs. Barclay & Morrison, Manitoba.

A woman who had outlined four husbands, and who is said to have been over 106 years of age, died at Kinderhook, in New York State on Friday night.

There is a child at the Protestant Hospital, Ottawa, which weighs only 3 pounds. It is three weeks old and measures nine inches in length, and its face is covered with dark hair. The child is said to be perfectly healthy.

The Walker-Town Telescope says: "The fall wheat, as about all have voted, but owing to the great amount of rain, it is somewhat damaged, and it will be dark in colour, otherwise it is one of the best crops that has been harvested for some years."

The fall wheat near Paisley has been all harvested, and in better condition than was at one time expected. We believe that no great harm has been done by the present rain. Those who have threshed speak of an extraordinary yield of fine plump grain.

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LOCAL NEWS.

—The Social in the Temperance Hall last Friday evening, under the auspices of the Base Ball Club, was well attended by a large gathering of our young people, and all seemed to enjoy an exceedingly pleasant evening. An excellent lunch was provided, and the entertainment was enlivened by singing and music from the organ and brass band. Messrs. Cameron, Hill, Watson, Storey and others, favored the company with several choice pieces, and so also did Messrs. Anderson, Jenner, Lucas and others. Mr. John Hill gave a very well executed solo on the violin. These socials are a good institution.

—No change in the price of grain this week.

—Remember the Monthly Fair next Thursday, 22nd September.

—That pig-pen on Frederick street is an intolerable nuisance. Remove it!

—Our Base Ball boys start on their up-country tour a week from next Monday.

—Hop picking will commence next week. Lots of work for pickers in this county.

Messrs. Christie, Henderson & Co. announce the arrival of new goods. See their big advertisement.

Messrs. Kennedy Bros. say the people have "Found out at Last." Read the rest of it, yourself, in their advertisement.

—Mr. Williamson, of the Golden Lion, Guelph, has sent us a new advertisement, announcing the arrival of fall goods. It is received too late for this issue. Look for it next week.

—A lecture on Prohibition was delivered by Rev. Mr. Hayward, at the Methodist Church, last Sunday evening, after the close of the regular service. The church was filled to its utmost capacity.

—At a meeting of the members of the Methodist Church, Monday evening, it was resolved to accept the tender of Mr. Eli Snyder, at \$5,000, and proceed at once with the erection of the new church edifice. The site chosen is the two vacant lots on Mill Street between John and Elgin Streets.

—Donald Campbell's threshing machine did some fast work at Samuel Carson's barn, 2nd concession Equestre, last Thursday. Between the hours of 5 and 8 o'clock, 329 bushels of what were hustled through the machine. This is considered a pretty big three hours' work. Now, let's hear from the next.

—Some skulking individuals made a raid on Mr. Geo. Walter's plum trees, last Sunday, while Mr. and Mrs. Walters were at church, and carried off the whole of the ripe plums. Such mean, contemptible tricks should be put a stop to. The parties are liable to a term of imprisonment, and also to pay damages.

—The clothes-line stealing business is getting monotonous. Whoever the individual is—be it she—appears to have got a full supply of shirts, and now goes in for dresses and things. Last Tuesday night a raid was made on Edward Moore's lines, and two dresses taken therefrom. The overalls were left behind, and as they are useless without the dresses, we are authorized to say that the thief may have them also, by applying personally, or by letter.

—We are glad to be able to announce that Mr. G. M. Scott, of the "Dominion Emporium," has concluded not to remove from Acton, as he intended some time ago. He now says in his advertisement, on the 2nd page of this issue, that he has decided to stay in town, on account of the huge advertisements painted on the fences, by the Messrs. Stead Bros., the enterprising proprietors of the great East Hardware and Crockerly Store of Acton, the shadow of which effectually does away with any need for shade trees. They show what enterprising follows our Acton mechanics are. They find no difficulty in attracting customers from the sleep-headed store-keepers of Millboro'.

—The following was picked up on Mill street on Monday last:

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