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**DEAL GENTLY WI' THE AULD MAN.**

Deal gently wi' the auld man,
He's bowed down by time;
He had a heart as stout as yours,
When he was in his prime.
But toil has rackod his once strong frame,
And care has lined his brow;
He shielded you for many years;
You owe him comfort now.

Smooth a' his ills doon if you can,
And cheer his latter days;
His wintry sun's aiswt to set,
Hide not the parting rays.
We'll a' be weak as well as he,
If spared spares us as long;
Faint, tottering, leaning upon sticks,
An' hardly it to gang.

"Belles" call a great many people to church.

To do business a man must have dollars and sense.

What's in a name? D. Seaver drives a St. Louis milk wagon.

Truth may be violated as much by silence as by falsehood itself.

The rays of happiness like those of light, are colorless when unbroken.

It is difficult to tell how much a fish will weigh by looking at the scales.

The most effective way for a boy to learn a bee sees—by just putting his finger into the hive.

A modern essayist defines gossip to be the "putting of two and two together and making five of them."

"Quills are things that are sometimes taken from the pinions of one goose to spread the opinions of another."

The man who said there was reason in all things was never caressed by the off hind foot of a mooley cow.

"Was not her death quite sudden?" said a condoling friend to a bereaved widower. "Well yes, rather—*for her*."

An editor of a denominational paper at Chicago says: "A man needs grace to edit a religious paper at any time, but especially when he has the rheumatism."

Some of the towns up west had a game of base ball on New Year's day. The oldest inhabitant opened his eyes and stood thunderstruck. —*Sun.*

As they can't succeed in a high degree in making sugar from beet roots they now propose to make it from gravel. Next they'll take old boots.—*Toronto Sun.*

"Shun the dram shop as you would shun a plague," said a philanthropist. "Never go into a saloon," and he paused in deep thought, "unless I am with you."

"The prisoner at the bar seems to have a very smooth face," said a spectator to the jailor. "Yes," replied the jailor; "he was ironed just before he was brought in."

Noisy little boys in Cincinnati are told that right in the centre of the hind hoofs of every live mule there is a little lump of gold, which can be easily dug out with a penknife.

A man, giving his opinion of a sermon which he heard the other day, said that the preacher succeeded in burying the meaning of the apostle under a tumulus of big words.

"It doesn't take me long to make up my mind, I can tell you," said a conceited fop. "It's always no where the stock of material to *make up* is small," quietly remarked a young lady.

Girls, you all know, no doubt, that this is Leap Year. For the benefit of those who are not *posted* with regard to the regulations, &c., of the current season, and who are likely to be interested, we give the generally acknowledged custom, viz:—If a maiden proposes to a bachelor, and that bachelor declines to entertain such proposition, he shall buy, or pay for a dress, to be selected by that maiden. And what is more, that dress must be a silk one. We suppose the same rule applies to spinsters of *uncertain age.*

Charles Algernon Swinburne, the poet, has joined the Church of England. He was formerly a Roman Catholic. *Per contra*, it is stated that James Grant, the well-known novelist, author of the "Yellow Frigate," the "Romance of War," &c., has joined the Church of Rome, being baptised by Cardinal Manning himself. Swinburne is by far the greater man of the two, but it is hoped his change of creed will lead to greater purity in his poetry, which, hitherto, has left much to be desired in this respect.


## GRAND SWEEPING SALE.

To clear out balance of Fall and Winter Stock,

# CHRISTIE, HENDERSON & CO.,

ACTON,

Are now offering their entire stock at

DECIDED BARGAINS FOR CASH ONLY.

Now is the time for Cheap Suits, Overcoats, Shirts, Drawers, Hats, Caps, Boots and Shoes, Shawls, Clouds, Millinery, Mantles, Flowers, Blankets, etc., etc.

**See that famous yard-wide Factory, first quality, only 10c.**

No Reserve.—All Goods at Bottom Prices. Drives, Jobs and Bargains in every department.

TERMS STRICTLY CASH.—No Goods charged at reduced prices. Produce taken as cash.

## "BIG SALE"

COMMENCED AT THE

Mammoth House,

Georgetown,

**On Friday, Jan. 7th, 1876.**

The balance of our Winter Stock will be cleared out at

Enormously Low Prices.

**Big Reduction.**

**THE GOODS MUST BE SOLD.**

Prepare for Bargains.

Note the prices of a few of our leading lines:

Extra heavy Full Cloth, 40c per yd.
Extra heavy Wool Tweed, 50c pr yd.
Extra heavy Blankets, $3.00.
Splendid Shawls, $1.50.
Splendid Jackets, $1.50.
Fur Sets, $2.00.
Extra heavy Flannels, 25c per yard.
Extra heavy Factory Cotton, 7c pr yd.
800 Ladies' Wincey Skirts, made up, 50c each.
200 pieces Plain and Fancy Dress Goods, 12½c per yard.
100 pieces Beautiful New Serges, 20c per yard.

The above is only a few lines of goods which we shall offer at this our Big Sale. Remember this is to be the grandest

**"PUSH SALE"**

we have ever contemplated.

Call and see us if you want to buy

**GOODS AT PANIC PRICES.**

We shall be pleased to see our customers, and show our stock whether they want to buy or not.

☞ *No trouble to show Goods.* ☜

McLEOD, ANDERSON & CO.,
Mammoth House,
Georgetown.

N. B.—Remember our Ordered Clothing and Millinery Departments.

McL., A. & Co.

Georgetown, Jan. 11, 1876.

## Steam Carriage AND Wagon Works

**MAIN STREET, ACTON.**

**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.

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BOOK AND JOB PRINTING

PROMPTLY EXECUTED AT

**THE FREE PRESS OFFICE.**

Another Reduction in Price!

AT

## D. McNAIR'S

IN

## MILLINERY & FANCY GOODS

Call and see our beautiful stock of

Woolen Goods, Millinery, Dress Goods,
Children's Suits, Haberdashery,
Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods,
Toilet Articles, Toys,
Berlin Wool, etc., etc.

Also a nice stock of **JEWELERY** to be sold off very low.

**HOLIDAY GOODS**

In great variety, just received, to be rushed off at extraordinary low prices

Butter, Eggs, Poultry, etc., taken in exchange for goods.

Acton, Nov. 17, 1875.

ANOTHER LOT OF

## PLATED WARE

OPENING AT

## McBean & Co's,

**UP-TOWN HARDWARE STORE**

Designed for the

Christmas Season.

A LINE OF

BEAUTIFUL LAMPS

**AT PRICES UNPARALLED IN GUELPH**

AT

A. McBEAN & CO.'S.

Allma Block, Guelph, Dec. 18, 1875

## MONEY WANTED.

## BOOTS AND SHOES

AT PANIC PRICES.

KENNEDY BROTHERS,

Have just received their

Fall Stock of Boots and Shoes,

And are determined to continue to sell cheaper than the cheapest, and better value for your money than can be had elsewhere.

Call and See for Yourselves and bring your Friends with you.

Examine our stock which comprises everything in the trade of the latest and most elegant styles and patterns of English, Canadian and American manufacture.

☞ Orders promptly executed and good fits guaranteed. ☜

N.B.—All accounts must be settled this month.

Acton Nov. 4, 1875. KENNEDY BROS.

## GREAT SALE.

## Cheap Overcoats

CHEAP OVERCOATS.

Sweeping Sale of Ready-Made Clothing commenced to-day at the

**ELEPHANT CLOTHING HOUSE,**

GUELPH.

**Rare Chance. Call and See Our Prices.**

**WM. RUTHERFORD & CO,**

No. 31, Lower Wyndham Street, Guelph

January 4, 1876.

## New Goods

CONSTANTLY ARRIVING AT THE

CENTRAL EMPORIUM,

**MILL STREET, ACTON.**

J. W. MANN'S

Winter Stock of

DRY GOODS

**AND READY-MADE CLOTHING**

Is now

SELLING OFF

At GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

GREAT BARGAINS!

Are offered for cash or produce.

In Groceries, Crockery and Glassware

Will be found a complete assortment of the best quality.

**J. W. MANN.**

Acton, Dec. 29, 1875.

## DOMINION EMPORIUM.

ACTON.

## G. M. SCOTT'S

**FALL AND WINTER STOCK**

which is now complete, is larger, better assorted, more attractive and cheaper than ever before, comprising in part

Tweeds, Overcoatings, Dress Goods, in French Merines, Cobourgs, All Wool Plaids, Black and Colored Lustres, in Plain and Figured Flannels, Winceys, Shirts, Shirtings, Undershirts and Drawers, Felt Skirts, Shawls, Blankets, All Wool Table Covers, (very pretty patterns), Clouds, Mufflers, Hosiery, Gloves, Hollands, Table Linens, Towels, Towelings, Factory and Bleached Cottons, Ladies' Linen Sets Ladies' and Gents' Ties, &c., &c.,

and a very good stock of

BOYS' AND MENS' HATS AND CAPS,

together with

**Groceries, Crockery & Glassware**

☞ Call early and secure bargains.

Acton, Oct. 26, 1875. G. M. SCOTT.

## Boots and Shoes

A large stock of Boots and Shoes, of the very best manufacture, has just been received at

CRAINE & SON'S

## NEW BOOT & SHOE STORE,

**MILL STREET, ACTON.**

A full line of all sizes for

MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN,

Will be found to select from, at prices as low as can be had anywhere.

☞ **Call and See Us.** ☜

Special attention is called to our

CUSTOM WORK,

which at all times receives our careful personal supervision. Perfect satisfaction guaranteed.

Repairing neatly and promptly attended to.

Acton, Sept. 28, 1875. **CRAINE & SON.**

**GUELPH ARMORY.**

ALSO

**Gold, Silver & Nickel Plating Works,**

**148 QUEBEC STREET, GUELPH.**

**John Kirkham, Prop.,**

Manufacturer and Importer of

**Breech and Muzzle Loading Rifles, Shot Guns, &c.**

*Revolvers of all descriptions always on hand.*

**AMMUNITION FOR ALL BREECH LOADING ARMS.**

Ely & Kynoch's Cartridge Cases and Caps, for re-loading same. Re-loaders, Re-capers, Cap Ejectors, Curlers, and Crimpers, Cleaning Rods, and all articles necessary for a Sportsman's outfit.

All sorts of Repairing and Jobbing executed on the shortest notice at

148 Quebec Street.

JOHN KIRKHAM.

☞ Rifle Gallery on the premises, open from 10 o'clock a.m. to 10 p.m.

**Beware of Counterfeits.**

For the protection of the public of British North America, I deem it my duty to state that my PILLS AND OINTMENT are neither manufactured nor sold in any part of the UNITED STATES.

Each Pot and Box bears the "British Government Stamp, with the words "HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT, LONDON," engraved thereon. On the label is the address, 533 OXFORD STREET, LONDON.

This notice has become necessary, in consequence of vile and spurious imitations of "Holloway's" Pills and Ointment being fabricated and sold in Maiden Lane, New York, by persons styling themselves "Holloway & Co." with an assumed trade mark, thus—

Unprincipled vendors can obtain the trash at a very low price, and so deceive you by selling the same for my genuine Holloway's Pills and Ointment, which are manufactured only at 533, Oxford street, London.

Persons who may be so deceived will be pleased to communicate with me.

Many respectable firms in the British Provinces, who obtain my medicines direct from here, have very properly suggested that I should, for the benefit of themselves and the public, insert their names in the papers, that it may be known that my medicines can be supplied genuine from them.

The following is a list of the firms referred to, and I particularly recommend those who desire to get my medicines to apply to some of the houses named:—

EVANS, MERCER & Co., Montreal.
AVERY, BROWN & Co., Halifax, N. S.
FORSYTH & Co., Halifax, N. S.
T. H. BARKER & SONS, St. John, N.B.
APOTHECARIES HALL Co., Charlottetown
LANGLEY & Co., Victoria, B.C.
GOODE & Co., Victoria, B.C.
Dr JOHN BALLES, Chatham, N. B.
MUNRO & Co., Montreal.
J. WIXSER & Co., Hamilton, Ont.
H. J. ROSE, Toronto.
A. CHIPMAN SMITH, St. John, N. B.
JOHN BOOTH, Goderich, Ont.
ELLIOT & Co., Toronto.
J. CHALONER, St. John, N. B.
HANINGTON, Fredericton, St. John, N. B.
R. S. FRIDAY, Wiarton, Ont.
Mrs. GREEN, Moncton, N. B.
GEORGE C. HUTT, jun., Fredericton, N.B.
W. H. THORNE & Co., Market Square, N.S.
J. M. WILEY, Fredericton, N. B.
W. & D. YEILE, Montreal.
CHAS. A. DAVIES, Fredericton, N.B.

The medicines are sold at the lowest wholesale net prices, in quantities of not less than £20 worth—viz., 8s. 6d., 22s., and 33s. per dozen boxes of Pills or pots of Ointment, for which remittances must be sent in advance.

THOMAS HOLLOWAY.

533, Oxford Street, W. C.
London, June 1st, 1875.

DR. ROBERTS'

**Celebrated Ointment**

CALLED THE

**POOR MAN'S FRIEND,**

is confidently recommended to the public as an unfailing remedy for wounds of every description; a certain cure for Ulcerated Sore Legs, even of twenty years' standing; Cuts, Burns, Scalds, Bruises, Chilblains, Scorbutic Eruptions, and Pimples on the Face, Sore and Inflamed Eyes, Sore Heads, Sore Breasts, Piles, Fistula, and Cancerous Humours, and is a Specific for those afflicting Eruptions that sometimes follow vaccination. Sold in Pots at 1s. 1½d. and 2s. 9d. each.

**Dr. Roberts' Pilula Antisceptica**

OR ALTERNATIVE PILLS, continued by sixty years' experience to be one of the best medicines ever compounded for purifying the blood, and assisting Nature in her operations. Hence they are useful in Scrofula, Scorbutic Complaints, Glandular Swellings, particularly those of the Neck, &c. They form a mild but superior Family Aperient, which may be taken at all times without confinement or change of diet. Sold in Boxes at 1s. 1½d., 2s. 9d., 4s. 6d., 11s. and 22s. each.

BY THE PROPRIETOR,

BEACH AND BARNICOTT

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DISPENSARY, BRIDPORT, ENGLAND,

and by all respectable Medicine Vendors.

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