

GRAND TRIP TIME TABLE. Trains leave Acton as follows: GOING WEST. Morning Mail 9:10 a.m. Day Express 2:00 p.m. Express 2:30 p.m. Mixed 2:15 p.m. Night Express 12:45 a.m. GOING EAST. Night Express 3:37 a.m. Mixed 9:10 a.m. Day Express 11:33 a.m. Mail 5:20 p.m. Mixed 8:35 p.m.

ACTON POST OFFICE. Mails going West are closed at 8:45 a.m. Mails going East at 9 p.m. Registered Letters must be in five minutes before the above hours. Knatchbull mail, Tuesdays and Fridays.

LOCAL MATTERS.

Valentines in great variety at McNab's.

The best job printing in the County at the Free Press Office. Call and examine our specimens.

The good sleighing of the past week has been the means of brightening up business wonderfully.

Remember the grayer supper in Matthews' Hall, this evening, at 8 o'clock. See advertisement for particulars.

The Acton Division Sons of Temperance purpose having some sort of a demonstration, about the end of this month. Further particulars will be announced in a few days.

The tax collector says there are still a few delinquent people on his pay roll, and that he will be after them with a sharp stick if they don't come to time in a few days. "A word to the wise."

Second Bros.' great reductions in their are telling, and the people are stalling themselves off. As they have reduced everything down to the lowest cash price, they will have to rigidly adhere to their advertised plan of not one cent more in three months, and no exceptions.

We hope to see a very large assemblage at the supper to be given to Mr. Storey and others, this evening. The committee are exerting themselves to have everything as it should be. Ladies you are expected to bring an appropriation worthy of the object, by attendance in large numbers. Oysters will be on the table promptly at 8 o'clock. After supper and some speaking, it is proposed to have interesting amusements of various kinds. Remember, the proceeds are to be given to the poor and needy.

A social under the auspices of the members of the Methodist Church, was held on Monday evening, at the residence of Dr. McGavin. There was a large number present and a very enjoyable evening was spent. A collection was taken for the benefit of the new church fund, by which \$28 was realized.

Magistrate's Court. The second indictment against Mr. G. E. Morrow for selling intoxicating liquors contrary to law, was given on Thursday and Saturday, and again resulted in a dismissal of the case. Only two witnesses were examined, and the one swore positively contrary to the evidence of the other. The magistrates were consequently unable to decide as to the truth of the evidence.

The "Other Expenses." There are some who want to know the particulars of the "other expenses," as given in the report of the Board of School Trustees. We have been furnished with the following items: Opening road to School House \$137.00; Borrowed money in 1874 and interest 212.00; Borrowed money in 1875 and interest 308.00; Fuel, etc. 102.00; Caretaker's salary 70.00; \$829.00

Social. A social entertainment will be held in Pine Grove School House, S. No. 7, Nassagaweya, on Friday evening, 18th inst. Programme to consist of music, readings, recitations, dialogues, etc. Several excellent amateur performers are expected to be present. The Camillusville string band will be in attendance. Doors open at 7 p.m., tea served at 7:30. Admission 20 cents; children 10 cents. The committee will spare no pains to make this the entertainment of the season.

We will do ourselves the pleasure of calling on all our customers within the next few days, with statements of each account, and we will be obliged if parties indebted to us will have the money ready, and if they are paying from home, they will please leave it with their family, so that we won't be disappointed when we go to the house, as we require the money.

A few days ago a gentleman called into Messrs. Second Bros.' store, and was persuaded to try a quantity of their celebrated 50 cent molar tea. Yesterday he returned and told them that he had made a mistake and given him dollar tea instead of 50 cent, and being a honorable man, did not wish to take advantage of what he supposed was an error; but when they convinced him that it was not an error and that he could have more at the same price, he would understand how they could sell molar tea for 50 cents, as he said he had often paid a dollar for tea not so good.

See that famous yard-wide cotton first quality, only 10 cents a yard, at Christie, Henderson & Co.'s.

Wanted at Christie, Henderson & Co.'s, a large number of genuine first-class purchasers who will come down handsomely and assist in making a "Big Fair" in goods that will be sold before stock taking. Will you be one?

Missionary Meetings.

Services in behalf of the Baptist Missionary Society of Ontario were held at the Baptist Chapel, on Monday evening. There was a goodly number present. Elder R. B. Cook occupied the chair. After prayer and singing, the Rev. Mr. Reid, of Erin, briefly addressed the audience. He was followed by Rev. Mr. Wright, of Chatham, and Rev. Mr. Denchfield, of Elora, each of whom made effective appeals on behalf of the home missionary cause, stating that the funds were devoted entirely to the support of missionaries in districts where the churches were too poor to sustain a regular stationed minister.

Rev. Dr. Davidson, of Godfrey, then made an eloquent and impressive address, giving facts and figures, and relating incidents in connection with the missionary work. The addresses were interspersed with singing by the youthful choir, under the leadership of Miss Stewart, that taken great pains to have them well trained for the occasion. The chairman reported the receipts from the two lady collectors at \$3.25 and the collection of the evening \$7.11, making a total of \$10.36. The Baptist Church in Acton has been some months without a pastor, services being held at irregular intervals by missionaries and others.

Bible Society Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Acton Branch of the Upper Canada Bible Society, was held in the Presbyterian Church, on Friday evening, 4th inst. The President, At Campbell, Esq., in the chair. Meeting was opened with reading and prayer, after which the President delivered his annual address as follows:

Christian friends: We had with pleasure another of the privileges of uniting together in the celebration of the Acton branch of the Bible Society in connection with the B. and F. B. S., the object of which is to supply the world with the Holy Scriptures. On such an occasion as this, it becomes us to recognize the good providence of God toward us, and should inspire us with gratitude to him for all the blessings and privileges we enjoy. A good and bountiful harvest has passed over us, filling our barns with plenty both for man and for beast. Our civil and religious privileges are very great, and are not surpassed by any nation under the sun. Surely we are a free and happy people. But while we live in the enjoyment of these great privileges and advantages, there are dark places of the earth which know none of these, but are the habitations of cruelty, superstition and error. Millions of the inhabitants of the earth have not heard of the name of Jesus, and many who are in a comparatively civilized state, and that even in our own Dominion, who are kept in spiritual bondage, because the Bible is unobtainable to them; that Bible which is the truth and secret of British greatness. Surely this is our duty as a people, as a branch of the great Society, to renew our efforts in promoting the Bible cause, and do our part in furthering more and more the dissemination of the word of life. If we value it as we ought, we cannot help sympathizing with those who have it not. We have had but a short time ago, a sermon preached to us in this place from the text "Whence didst eat and drink, and whither goest thou?" (Gen. 3:10) which very clearly the narrow, selfish, and ungenerous character of our nation, while it is the enjoyment of any temporal or spiritual blessing. Let us, then, rise above this selfishness to a sense of duty and obligation to our fellow creatures, and especially in gratitude to God who has honored us with the high privilege of being permitted to engage in this great work, what would those of our forefathers have given, if they had the pleasure of being permitted to engage in this happy work to which we are called, who in those days were obliged to resort to the ravines and hidings of the mountains before they could assemble together to read the word of God, and sing praises to his name, many of whom could not sleep with safety under the roof of their own houses for seasons, for fear of the blood-thirsty persecutors who would deprive them of their religious freedom; it surely becomes us who live in this land of civil and religious liberty to rise with fresh vigor, adding our mite with our prayers for the great end of illuminating the world with the Word of Life, and not allow that work to cease till the knowledge of the truth shall cover the earth as the waters cover the sea.

The Secretary, Mr. D. Henderson, read the report of the Committee, reviewing their proceedings since last annual meeting, and specially recommending that the "Branch disburse with the services of a paid agent, and endeavor to carry on the work with such local aid as can be obtained." He also read the Treasurer's financial statement, showing the amount of collections to be \$78.72, with one division to hear from. It is gratifying to note that the collections when complete will exceed those of previous years.

The meeting was addressed by the Rev. Messrs. Calvert and Cameron. By unanimous resolution the following persons were elected office-bearers for the ensuing year: President, A. Campbell; Vice-Presidents, Revs. Calvert and Cameron; and Adam Dickson, Secretary-Treasurer; D. Henderson; Disputers, D. D. Christie, Committee, Peter Mann, sec., M. McPherson, Robt. Warren, Wm. Gordon, John Secord, Samuel Moore, James Matthews, D. Kennedy, R. Little, Asa Hall, P. R. Armstrong, John Speight and Alex. Kennedy.

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A further reduction of 50 per lb. on all Teas except our 50c Tea, when sold in 5 or 10 lb. lots.

It is a great and glorious thing to sell good goods cheap, and the man who has accomplished this has always been regarded as a public benefactor. If this be so, we think we can justly lay some claim to the title for our house has always been acknowledged one of the cheapest anywhere, and we are now making another effort to throw cheap goods and money into the pockets of our customers, and we are already convinced that the public hail it with pleasure.

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DECIDED BARGAINS FOR CASH ONLY.

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

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

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ACTON, ONT.



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And give my customers the benefit by giving them Eight per cent off for Cash on all General Groceries

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