LOCAL MATTERS.

—Good Friday to-morrow.

—Six persons were baptized in the stream near Tolton's mills, on Saturday, by Mr. Hertzog.

—Monday and Tuesday cheering sunshine. Wednesday, drizzling rain. Thursday, mud, mud.

—Alex. Weir, the young man who attempted suicide last week, has been committed to Milton jail for safe-keeping.

—John Stewart, Esq., of Esquesing who is about removing from this county, was the recipient of a complimentary supper, in Milton, last evening.

—Mr. S. Zimmerman is one of the first of the season. He has already erected a building on the corner of Main and Mill streets, and is now occupying it as a meat store.

—Messrs. Christie, Henderson & Co have just purchased a spanking team and rig. They intend going into the business of buying eggs extensively this season, and for that purpose will have two teams constantly on the road, within a radius of 20 or 30 miles from Acton.

—Mr. Henry Carrique, of Palermo, was arraigned before two Milton magistrates, last week, on a charge of "defamation of character" laid by Dr. A. Buck, also of Palermo. The charge was that Carrique had written several abusive letters which were published in the *Mail*, Milton *News*, and Oakville *Argus*, in which the Dr's character was vilified. A number of witnesses were examined, and the prisoner was finally committed for trial at the assizes next week, giving bail for his appearance.

—Tickets for the Centennial Exhibition and return can be procured from any station on the Grand Trunk Railway at the following reduced rates: From Toronto to Kingston, thence across the St. Lawrence to Cape Vincent, and via Rome, Albany, and New York to Philadelphia, returning via Harrisburg, Williamsport, Elmira, Niagara Falls, and Steamer City of Toronto, good for sixty days for $20.65. By way of Montreal, &c., tickets from Toronto and return will be $30. The Exhibition opens in Philadelphia on the 10th of May. Parties in this vicinity who have any intention of going to the Exhibition would do well to inform Mr. Hunt, the station agent, with as little delay as possible, so as to enable him to estimate the number of tickets that will be likely to be required, as [illegible]

Base Ball.

A meeting of parties interested in Base-Ball will be held in the Temperance Hall, on Friday evening, to organize for the coming season, elect officers, etc. A full attendance is requested.

"Murder will Out."

It is an uncontrovertable fact that you can get the greatest satisfaction, the best value for your money, and a larger variety of goods to choose from at McLeod, Anderson & Co.'s than any other house west of Toronto.

Social.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunt will give a social entertainment at their residence, (G. T. R. station) on Wednesday evening, 19th inst., commencing at 7.30 p. m. Proceeds to be devoted to improvements on English Church parsonage. Refreshments will be served at 9 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Hunt hope to see a large number of their friends, and will endeavor to make the evening as enjoyable as possible.

Sons of Temperance.

ACTON DIVISION.

The officers of Acton Division Sons of Temperance elected for the ensuing quarter are as follows:

Robt. Craine, W.P.
Jennie McMahon, W.A.
A. E. Matthews, R.S.
Harriet Speight, A.R.S.
David McMahon, F.S.
Benj. Nicklin, Treas.
R. B. Cook, Chap.
H. P. Moore, Con.
Jennie Auld, A.C.
Matthew Kenny, I.S.
Jas. Goodall, O.S.

CREWSON'S CORNERS DIVISION.

The following are the officers of Crewson's Corners Division Sons of Temperance for the ensuing quarter:

Samuel McGorman, W.P.
Mrs. McLaughlin, W.A.
Donald Mann, R.S.
Miss E. Stewart, A.R.S.
John Crewson, F.S.
Thos. Dockray, Treas.
Richard Sherlock, Chap.
Robert Porter, Con.
Fanny A. Moore, A.C.
Robert Laing, I.S.

A New Grange.

Last Friday evening a public meeting was held in Campbell's Hall, for the purpose of organizing a Farmer's Grange here. There were about a hundred people present. Mr. Wm. Gordon was elected Chairman, and Mr. Robert B. Campbell, Secretary. Mr. C. Preston, Master of the Grange in the Scotch Block, read the printed Constitution and part of the By-laws of the Order, and he was followed by a few remarks from Mr. John Ramsey, of Nassagaweya. Messrs. Leslie, Aikens, and Watson spoke briefly of the benefits of the organization, especially in a social point of view. A few questions were asked and answered, after which Mr. Preston announced that he had authority from the Dominion Grange to organize subordinate Granges, and that he was prepared to accept the names of those who were ready to become charter members, and to at once proceed to business. A number of those present then went forward, paid their initation fee of $3, and signed the roll. We have since learned that there were 22 names given in, and that the Grange was fully organized that night.

A Fool-hardy Leap from a Train.

Last Thursday evening, shortly after the "Dutch Mail" train left Acton station, a young man slightly elevated with liquor, passed through the second-class car and entered the baggage car, in which were the baggage master and two or three other parties. After remaining there a short time, and when the train had got within a mile or two of Rockwood, going at a rapid rate down the grade, he was noticed to go to the side door and shove it quickly open. Before any one could prevent him, he made a sudden leap from the car. The baggage master rushed forward just in time to catch hold of his coat-tail; but it ripped off, and the man went sprawling to the ground. The train was stopped as soon as possible and backed up some distance, every one on board expecting, as a matter of course, that he would be found smashed to a jelly. But lo! what was their surprise to see him walking up the track, apparently unharmed. After getting into the cars again it was found that he had escaped without a scratch. He got off at Rockwood, where it is said he resides. The escape from instant death is most extraordinary, as the train was running at the rate of forty miles an hour.

Public School Examination.

The Easter examination of the Acton Public School was held on Tuesday. The forenoon was devoted to the examination of the two junior divisions, and the afternoon to the senior department. The pupils all stood the test very creditably. Both Miss McKellar and Miss Moore, in the second and third departments respectively, gave evidence of good ability for teaching and disciplining the young people under their charge. Almost without exception, the scholars were remarkably quick and correct in their answers. There is just one thing however, we would like to observe in reference to the second department, and we might also include the first. We refer to the lack of proper intonation and emphasis in reading. A little more training in this branch is desirable, that the children may bring out a better and more significant expression of the sentences. In Mr. Ross' department the oral examination was conducted by Mr. Little, County Inspector, and Rev. Mr. Calvert. We were pleased to see so many visitors present. School will be re-opened on Wednesday next, 19th inst.

Whiskey Law.

To the Editor of the Free Press.

DEAR SIR.—Some time ago you published two letters, one from "Cow in Jeopardy," and one from "A Sufferer." In answer to the first, all that can be said is he was so drunk that he mistook a cow stable for his house, and if his request was granted all that I could do would be to take care of the calf and not the cow and see that it did not get as much milk as he is wont to have.

"Sufferer" calls me the "terror of the Acton hotel keepers." I am only sorry that I was not able to make the law a greater terror to them, and Sir, I think you need some one in your village to make the law a terror. You have at least three places keeping and selling spirituous liquors without license and gambling is openly practised in the bar-room, and men are seen reeling drunk on the street on the Sabbath. Surely your council is protecting rum interests in Acton as well as can be expected.

Yours truly, H. A. RYDER.
Acton, April 12th, 1876.

Another Delicacy.

Secord Bros. have received another treat. Maltby's desiccated Cocoanut, put up in pound and half pound packages, a most delightful treat, eaten as it is, or put into cakes, puddings, etc., etc. Try it.

Sugars, Sugars, Sugars.

White ground, white crushed, white cut loaf, white pulverized, colored, red, blue and yellow, for frosting, etc. muscovadoes, New York snow, golden yellow, yellow refined, and brown sugars, just received at Secord Bros.

—Clover and Timothy Seeds at Christie, Henderson & Co.'s, Acton. Full stock at lowest prices.

—Spring luxuries now arriving, such as Oranges, Lemons, Nuts, Candies, Jellies, Jams, Canned Fish, Canned Fruits in tin and glass, Canned Vegetables, Pickles, Sauces, Catsups, Apples, Prunes, Raisins, etc., at Secord Bros.

SEEDS, SEEDS, SEEDS!—Just received our spring stock of Fresh Garden and Field Seeds. Now is the time to secure your seeds for house and box planting.—SECORD BROS.

—New Goods arriving daily at the Cash System, Christie, Henderson & Co.'s, Acton. Special values in every line. Satisfaction guaranteed, and the largest amount of goods for the least money, are the inducements they are offering.

HO! FOR TEAS.—New, sweet, choice and fresh, just received and to arrive, a magnificent stock. Our Teas have always been known to be the best and cheapest in the market. This year we offer special inducements. Our 50c. Tea has distanced all competitors, and is in universal use.—SECORD BROS.

CASH SYSTEM A DECIDED SUCCESS.—Christie, Henderson & Co. have great pleasure in stating that their daily sales since adopting the Cash System, have been much in excess of any similar period since December. This is highly gratifying to all parties concerned. The public can feel assured that no effort will be spared on their part to make it an object for all to spend their money at the Cheap Cash Store.

—Just received and opening up our spring stock of Crockery, Glassware, etc. Our stock in these departments are the largest and cheapest we have ever had. Parties requiring anything in this line should examine our stock and prices. We show no less than 18 different patterns of China Tea Sets. —SECORD BROS.

FRESH ARRIVAL OF SPRING GOODS.

THE

MAMMOTH HOUSE

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With all the newest styles in

NEW SPRING GOODS.

In consequence of the depression of trade and the eagerness of manufacturers to secure money for their goods, we have laid down here the largest and cheapest stock of

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Ever Imported into this country.

IN DRESS GOODS, we have all the latest novelties in Check, Plain and Fancy Colored Lustres, Silk Poplins and Silk Repps, Black and Fancy Silks, Black and Grey Grenadines, Black Lustres, &c., &c.

IN PRINTS, a large and varied stock, embracing Ashton & Hoyle's Checks, American Checks, Percole's Ginghams, &c., &c., all remarkably cheap.

IN COTTONS, we have the best and cheapest stock ever offered to the public. Beautiful yard wide grey and white Cottons for 9c. per yard. The American goods, such as Prints, White Cottons, Tickings, Cotton Warp, Cottonades, Brown Drills, Brown and Check Ducks, and other notions, have been imported direct from the manufacturers, and are being sold by us only at the Canadian wholesale prices. We have also on hand lines which we are always able to job, such as Dress Goods, Prints, Tweeds, &c.

MILLINERY.—Our Millinery Show Room is now in full blast, replete with all the latest novelties from all the fashionable centres, consisting of Shawls, Mantles, Hats, Bonnets, Flowers, Feathers, Ribbons, Parasols, new Check Waterproofs, Sun Hats, &c.

ORDERED CLOTHING.—In spite of the hard times and the depression of trade our Ordered Clothing Department is steadily going ahead. It is far in advance of any season yet. It is proof positive of the cheapness and fit of our Goods, and the universal satisfaction which we give our customers. A large lot of cloths from the best manufacturers of Europe and America to choose from. An immense variety of Gents Furnishings, Hats and Caps, Ready-made Clothing, &c. &c.

CARPETS.—A magnificent assortment of beautiful patterns from 50c. per yard.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—A fine variety and very cheap.

We would remind the public that we are giving wonderful bargains, that we are now selling goods cheaper than we used to buy them, all in consequence of paying the cash down.

LADIES! Madame Demorest's patterns for Spring are now to hand.

"Goods Sold for Cash. No Second Price."

McLEOD, ANDERSON & Co.,
MAMMOTH HOUSE, GEORGETOWN.

April 6, 1876.

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SPRING STOCK.

Large Lot of PRINTS of the Most Select Patterns at the

EAST END,

Also the Celebrated DUNDAS COTTONS at exceedingly low rates.

We have now an Immense Stock of

SPRING TWEEDS

Of the Best Patterns that can be had in the market.

We are determined not to be undersold.

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Acton, March 29, 1876.

STILL AHEAD AT THE

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CRAINE & SON

Have just received their

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which is ahead of anything evered offered in Acton for style and durability and at prices that cannot be undersold.

OUR CUSTOM WORK

Will receive careful personal attention, and all work guaranteed to give satisfaction.

Don't forget the place,

Mill Street, opposite Morrow's Drug Store.

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Acton, April 4, 1876.

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CHEAPEST

Drugs, Chemicals, Dye Stuffs,
Patent and Proprietory Medicines,
Fancy and Toilet Soaps,
Sponges, Brushes,
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PURE WINES AND LIQUORS for Medicinal Purposes only.

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Acton, March 13, 1875.

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Grey and White Cottons,
Cottonades, Tickings, etc., etc.,

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Also full lines of the best brands of

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Acton, March 15, 1876 38-3m

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