GRAND TRUNK TIME TABLE.

Trains leave Acton as follows:—

GOING WEST.

Morning Mail	9.10 a.m.
Day Express	2.00 p.m.
Express	5.17 p.m.
Mixed	7.15 p.m.
Night Express	12.45 a.m.

GOING EAST.

Night Express	3.37 a.m.
Mixed	9.10 a.m.
Day Express	11.35 a.m.
Mail	5.17 p.m.
Mixed	10.05 p.m.

LOCAL MATTERS.

FREE—The balance of this year. The Free Press will be sent to all NEW Subscribers from now until the 1st of January, 1878, for One Dollar, if paid strictly in advance.

—A good, serviceable overcoat for $6 at Dickson & McNab's.

—If you want stylish millinery, don't fail to see Mrs. McNair's handsome stock—very cheap.

—Mr. W. H. Storey, who has been confined to his bed for the past ten days with a severe attack of inflammation of the lungs, is reported somewhat better this morning.

—A lecture on Prohibition of the Liquor Traffic is announced to be delivered in the Temperance Hall, this Thursday evening, by Mr. J. J. W. Simpson, general agent and lecturer of the Grand Division Sons of Temperance.

—A number of our villagers returned from the Centennial Exhibition last Friday and Saturday after a sojourn of about ten days. They give a highly flattering report of the sights and scenes.

—Look at the Scotch Tweed for 50c per yard at Dickson & McNab's.

Norval Shipments.

Mr. Bradford, agent at Norval station, having seen the report of the shipments for October from Acton station as published in last week's Free Press, writes us the following note:

SIR,—You are making considerable ado over the business your station is doing. Of course, Acton is considered quite a town, but let me tell you that a country such as Norval is doing 7 and we have said nothing about it yet. Here you are for October: Net amount for freight forwarded $5,008.00. Now don't be ashamed to tell your friends about it. Yours truly,

F. F. BRADFORD, Agt.

[It would be well to mention more particulars; if Mr. Bradford had also given us the total weight, with a statement of the principal articles shipped.]

Our Public School.

Some little dissatisfaction appears to be entertained at the summary manner in which Mr. Grant's communication was treated at the last meeting of the Acton School Board. Two Letters have been sent to the Free Press, expressing the views of the writers on the matter, and asking for further ventilation. One of these, after considerable hesitation, we have decided to publish, but the other, which is of a somewhat similar character, we respectfully decline. Where the public interest is concerned we are usually desirous of allowing full scope to correspondents. But as the further discussion of this subject is not at all likely to result in any benefit, or be the means of effecting any change in the existing management, we would be better pleased to have it dropped. We have no desire to be a party to the stirring up of personal ill-feeling and thereby injuring the reputation of the school, for the sake of gratifying the wishes of correspondents. As to the School Board, we presume the members are prepared to defend their actions, without our assistance, but in this particular matter we must say that we cannot see what else they could have done. In order that those interested may see the nature of the so-called complaints, we herewith publish Mr. Grant's letter in full:

To the Board of School Trustees of School Section No. 12, Village of Acton.

I, as a ratepayer of the said School Section, do think it would be to the advantage of my family as well as all other inhabitants of this village, that the services of our present teacher, Mr. John Ross, be dispensed with for the following reasons: 1st—His want of temper in dealing with the scholars under his charge. 2nd—On account of his favoritism to some of the children, and general dislike and indifference towards others of those under his care. 3rd—The section suffers loss in a pecuniary point of view to a large amount both from the Government and Municipal grants on account of the great falling off of attendance in his department for some time past, as whole families cannot and will not send their children for the above causes. I think that his usefulness as a teacher is altogether gone in this section. Yours, &c.,

A. GRANT.

It will be noted that there are no specific charges whatever, and no evidence offered for the Board to act upon. Had Mr. Grant been personally present at the meeting or had his complaints been more definite, it is very probable further inquiries would have been instituted before dismissing them. As to the first and second counts, we have nothing to say, either in defence or in condemnation of the head teacher, not knowing any of the particulars of the complaints. But in reference to the third count, we would most respectfully assure our friend that he is evidently laboring under a misapprehension of the facts. The Government grant to schools in incorporated towns and villages is not in the least affected by the average number of pupils in attendance. A stated amount is given annually, and any increase or decrease in the number of pupils is not taken into consideration, except when an extraordinary increase in the population demands an additional sum.

—Heavy Ulster Overcoats made to order for $8.00 at Dickson & McNab's.

A Good Exhibit.

The following is the result of an examination in Dictation and Spelling, of the pupils of the Public School, held on Friday, Nov. 10th. One hundred of the most difficult words to be found in the respective readers and spelling book were dictated to each class. It will be observed that quite a number of the pupils succeeded in spelling every one of the hundred words correctly, and that very many others were not far behind:

FIRST DEPARTMENT.

FOURTH CLASS.

BOYS.		GIRLS.	
Fred H Ross	100	Fanny McGuerin	99
Chester Hill	98	Elizabeth Stone	98
Isaac Esmond	93	Clara Speight	97
William Snyder	89	Annie Moore	97
Albert Matthews	89	Charlotte Speight	91
Henry Hill	86		
John Cameron	85		
Wm Kennedy	82		
Louis Snyder	81		
Patrick Maloney	78		
John G Baldlaw	62		

THIRD CLASS.

Jas McCaffrell	95	Maggie Campbell	100
Wesley Hughes	97	Ella Hamilton	100
Wm McMicken	99	Maggie Nicklin	99
John Acheson	88	Alpha Hamilton	98
John Kennedy	71	Annie Laidlaw	97
		Minerva Storey	95
		Jane Ryder	92
		Nellie Watson	92

SECOND CLASS.

John Maloney	99	Isabella Hill	100
Richard Maloney	91	Ella Speight	100
Edwin D. Ross	91	Mary Worsnop	98
Alex. Watson	93	Mary Smith	97
Frank Worden	87	Lillian Hacking	97
		Ida E. Hacking	97
		Matilda Measles	91

SECOND DEPARTMENT.

HIGHEST CLASS.

Wm J. Nicklin	100	Elizabeth Yemen	100
Wm Speight	100	Alfa Hughes	100
Erasmus Pawdy	100	Mary Brown	97
Thos. Mitchell	100	Maggie Moore	96
Angus Kennedy	98	Elizabeth Smith	83

THIRD DEPARTMENT.

HIGHEST CLASS.

William Storey	100	Jane Fearsley	100
Thos. Kennedy	100	Annie Moore	100
Albert Goodall	99	May Hacking	99
Henry Ryder	99	Matilda Brown	99
James Smith	97	Ella Worden	98
William Brown	97	Julia A. Moore	97
William Cook	95		

To the Editor of the Free Press.

DEAR SIR,—I have read over the proceedings of the School Board in last week's issue of the FREE PRESS, proceedings the like of which I trust do not ever take place under any other such board in Ontario. I mean that taken upon the complaint of Mr. A. Grant. Why was the complaint not given in their condemnatory report so freely made, and for publication? The public would like to know the nature of the complaint so freely pronounced frivolous and without foundation. When and where was the enquiry made as to the falsity or truth of Mr. Grant's complaint? How did Messrs. Moore and Lasby get the idea it would seem to them so convincing, that they could so readily fall in with the chairman and approve them as the right thing? I beg to inform the loving chairman, whoever he may be, and his trio of followers on the Board, that Mr. Grant's complaint is not an idle tale, and Mr. Grant is not the only complainant; there are many others, and the fact is well known to his high honor, the chairman, and other members of the Board, as well as a well known fact to many in our village. The chairman ought, in all fairness and justice, both to Mr. Grant and the teacher, to have made full enquiry into the facts of the complaint, and by what kind of manipulation did they transmogrify Mr. Grant's complaint into a desire of change of teachers when nothing of the sort was asked of them? Only a change of the guarding teacher was asked for. No, they did not spit their particular purpose. Such a purpose did not suit Messrs. Moore and Lasby, but in made up Mr. Ross must at once be engaged, and the other teachers not complained of put off to a more suitable season. I do not look upon this haste as even fair to Mr. Ross—as while a complaint lay against him he was on the spot engaged, and those against whom no such complaint lay, put off quietly for a time to suit. Ah, yes, Mr. Ross's explanation was quite satisfactory to the Board, but perhaps not just so satisfactory to many who pay to Mr. Ross his $550. I do not grudge him his $550—if he only fairly earns it, but when he takes the money and asks the parents of his pupils to do the teaching, he is not so over burdened with numbers in his department for the last twelve months to need any help from parents; but to make a kind of show of numbers he quotes the registry, and tacks on to the attendance children in the other department. How did it happen that the functions of the chairman and the Board fell to Mr. Ross? Is he a member too, when he could so satisfactorily answer all of Mr. Grant's complaints? It is certainly a new and easy way of jury rudging when the accused becomes plaintiff and the plaintiff the defendant. The fact must be made known at once to Attorney-General Mowat as to the Acton School Board may take their proper place as advisers of the Lieutenant-Governor and have the new system adopted; it will save much time and trouble to judges, magistrates and juries. Go on, gentlemen, you have got new light; you will make for yourselves a great name; you are a long way ahead of the wise men of Gotham; but with all your wisdom, power and might, there is one little thing you have not found out so clearly as the jurisprudence case, and I think you had better see to it, and it is this, your teacher cannot be anything else but simply and solely a teacher of Acton School. He cannot be cut up into so many parts, for example, Village Clerk, Treasurer, Secretary of all small and outside manufacturing concerns. Some bad mannered person might refuse to pay his school tax, and I think he could not be compelled should he turn nasty about it. Mr. Editor, with your kind permission, I will subscribe myself

Yours very truly, HOMO.

Acton, Nov. 14, 1876.

—You ought to call at Secord Bros., and see the immense piles of Groceries, Teas, Sugars, Fruits, Delicacies, Crockery ware, Axes, &c., which they are just receiving and showing at the cheapest prices ever heard of. Their 60c tea is worth a dollar; any amount of new 50c Tea best they ever had just received.

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TO AGENTS.—In order to make this paper the very best and most remunerative one in Canada to canvass for, we will present to every subscriber for 1877 a copy of the great steel plate engraving entitled "Wellington and Blucher Meeting after the Battle of Waterloo," size 18 x 40 inches. It is, beyond doubt, one of the finest engravings ever produced, being the premium of the London (Eng.) Art Union for 1872, and sold at one guinea in England and six dollars in the colonies. This magnificent pure line engraving was executed by Lumb Stocks, R. A., from the wall painting in the Palace of Westminster by Daniel Maclise, R.A. It occupied six years of this celebrated painter's life, and the steel plate by the equally renowned engraver occupied five years more, costing the sum of £3,150. The best critics throughout England and Canada unite in praising this wonderful picture of the culminating point in the battle of Waterloo.

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ROBERT SIMS,
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1877.

"THE WEEKLY GLOBE."

THE GLOBE PRINTING COMPANY gratefully acknowledge the triumphant success that has attended the appearance of the WEEKLY GLOBE in its new and improved form. The vast circulation it has secured, and the enthusiastic approbation that comes from all sections of the Dominion, as well as from numerous readers in Great Britain and the United States, leave no reason to doubt that the publishers have succeeded in producing

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THE FARMER will cease to appear as a separate publication; its entire staff of editors, contributors, and correspondents will be transferred to the WEEKLY GLOBE, and the whole of the valuable agricultural matter heretofore published in THE FARMER will thereafter appear in THE WEEKLY GLOBE. This new attraction will alone be worth to every intelligent farmer much more than his year's subscription.

The Departments of Ecclesiastical Intelligence, Science Notes, and Educational Affairs, now so popular, will be maintained with increased vigor.

The Department of Answers to Correspondents, on every variety of subjects, which has proved so valuable and interesting to crowds of readers, will receive increased attention and careful research.

The Political and General News from all parts of the world up to the latest moment of publication—the Parliamentary Debates, Federal and Provincial—the Market and Financial Reports at home and abroad—and the Letters of Special Correspondents from all points of interest will continue to be collected and collated with all the care and energy that has kept THE GLOBE in the front rank of Canadian journals for thirty-four years past.

The Literary and Ladies' Department under the care of special conductors, will be fresh and racy. Two first-class stories besides minor productions, will appear during the year.

The annual subscription to THE WEEKLY GLOBE AND CANADA FARMER will remain as heretofore only TWO DOLLARS PER ANNUM, sent FREE OF POSTAGE to all parts of Canada and the United States, payable invariably in advance. The Club Rates for 1877 will be as follows: 5 copies and under 10, at the rate of $1.80 per copy. 10 copies and under 20, at the rate of $1.60 per copy. 20 copies and over at the rate of $1.75 per copy.

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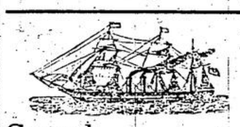

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