

GRAND TRUNK TIME TABLE. Trains leave Acton as follows: GOING WEST. Morning Mail 9:15 a.m., Day Express 1:17 p.m., Express 3:20 p.m., Mixed 7:30 p.m., Night Express 1:04 a.m. GOING EAST. Mixed 3:38 a.m., Night Express 9:15 a.m., Day Express 11:34 a.m., Mail 6:20 p.m., Mixed 9:20 p.m.

LOCAL MATTERS. The Acton Public School opened on Monday with an attendance of 168. In the 1st department, 50; 2nd, 40; 3rd, 38. Thirteen births, five deaths, and two marriages were registered by the Acton Division Registrar for the six months ending 31st December. How remarkably few marriages have occurred during the past year. Is it because it was leap year?

Services by the Rev. Mr. Davies, Congregational Minister, will be held in Matthews Hall every Sunday morning at 9 o'clock, until further notice. The hall has recently been fitted up with more comfortable seats than formerly. A general invitation is extended to the public.

Anniversary Services and a Tea Meeting will be held in Rev. Mr. Wilkinson's Church, Nassagaweya, on Sunday and Monday, the 21st and 22nd inst. Sermons on Sunday by Rev. Mr. Keeler, of Guelph. The choir in connection with the Acton Methodist Church have expressed their intention of being present at the tea-meeting.

There were eleven of them—strong, able-bodied "tramps"—besieging our town last night. Whence they came, or whether they go, we know not, but we do know that our Town Fathers were either unable or unwilling to furnish them with sufficient funds where-with to procure supper and lodging, and that they were compelled to appeal to the charity of private citizens. Again, What about that look-up? The question is constantly in order.

The old Methodist Church, in Guelph, which has been closed some months, undergoing a series of improvements, at a total cost of about \$12,000, was re-opened last week, by Rev. Dr. Ives. The entire sum necessary to defray the debt was subscribed before the close of the services.

A fact, that Mr. Leonard Anderson, & Co., Georgetown, are startling the public with their mammoth clearing sale. The house has been knocked clean out; they are bound to sell the goods, no matter what they cost. Go to the Mammoth House, Georgetown, if you want goods at panic prices.

Truce Elections. The annual election of two Trustees for the Acton School Board was held in the Temperance Hall yesterday. Two members of the Board whose term of office has just expired, were Messrs. Edward Moore and C. S. Smith. The candidates proposed for election were Messrs. W. H. Storey, Edward Moore, J. G. Fearey, D. Maloney, James Ryder, and Thomas Ebbage. It was agreed that the voting should be by ballot.

At the brick school house known as "Gordon's," 3rd line of Esplanade, Mr. Alex. Brown was elected trustee in place of Mr. Paul Kennedy, whose term of office has expired. The other two trustees are John Warren and Wm. Gordon.

At the residence of the bride's father, on the 28th ultimo, by the Rev. T. L. Wilkinson, assisted by the Rev. D. B. Egerton, Acton, Robert Burns Campbell and Emma Jane Kitching, both of the Township of Nassagaweya.

In Acton, on the 24th inst., the wife of Mr. Robert T. Simpson, printer, of daughter. At Limehouse, on the 20th ult., the wife of Mr. William Scott, of a son.

Card of Thanks. To the Electors of the Village of Acton. GENTLEMEN,—After a week of considerable excitement, consequent upon an exceedingly warm, close, and spirited election contest in our midst, we are rapidly settling down once more to our wonted normal condition, and in a few days the election will have been forgotten, and numbered among the things that were. But I cannot allow this to be thus without availing myself of the opportunity of expressing my warmest thanks to those friends who accorded me such a hearty support in my late contest for the highest honors at the disposal of our village, and through the contest was exceedingly warm and spirited on both sides, yet so far as I am aware, not one word was said on either side that the other could complain of. Every reasonable person expects that the friends of any candidate will advance his claims heartily, and it would be strange if they did not; but beyond this I know of nothing of a disagreeable nature having transpired, and we retire from the contest happy in the knowledge that nothing has occurred to compromise or mar the harmony or friendship previously existing between any of the contending parties or their friends. I know of no higher tribute that could be paid to the intelligence of our people than that they can agree to contend, and contend warmly, for any public honors at the disposal of the Corporation, and yet meet each other without a word of abatement of the respect or friendship previously existing. I deprecate and have no sympathy with that absurd idea that because men, in the exercise of their franchise, and the right which their country and their God has given them, oppose any candidate or party in any political or municipal contest, whether such opposition is the result of principle, or simple inclination, that they are to be regarded in the light of personal enemies; such ideas belong to ages long past, and are not worthy of our day and generation. I am happy to number among those who, in the exercise of their rights, opposed me most warmly in the late contest, amongst my most esteemed friends, and why not? I would do the same myself if I thought proper to do so. Then let us accord to each other such privileges as we demand for ourselves. Gentlemen, again thanking you, as well for the support given me as for the friendly manner in which the contest was conducted on both sides, and wishing you the compliments of the season, I am, yours respectfully, JOHN P. SECOND, Acton, Jan. 10, 1877.

ANNUAL ELECTION AND PRESENTATION. The Acton West Annual Grange meeting was held in the Grange Hall, Acton, on Friday evening, 3rd inst., and after the general business of the meeting the following were elected as officers for the ensuing year: Worthy Master—John Shaw, Secretary—B. B. Campbell, Steward—John Mitchell, Asst. Steward—James Warren, Chaplain—Wm. Moore, Treasurer—D. McGee, Gatekeeper—James McDonald, Cere—Nancy Whitley, Pomona—Eliza Mann, Flora—Margery McDonald, Lady Ass't Steward—Helen Shaw, Delegates to Division Grange—John Warren and Alex. Kennedy.

The officers elected being duly installed to their offices by their retiring Master, Bro. Wm. Gordon, assisted by Bro. Gen. Campbell, Master of Ballinacree Grange, the members then presented their Secretary, Bro. R. B. Campbell, with a very handsome Writing Desk accompanied with the following address: To Robert Campbell, Esq., Secretary of Acton West Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry.

ESTEEMED BROTHERS,—At the meeting for organizing our society, the unanimous choice fell upon you to fill the responsible office of secretary, an office of the proper performance of the duties of which, depend more than on that of any other, the peace and prosperity of our association. To that choice you cheerfully responded, by accepting the situation, and at once entering upon the various arduous duties it involves; and the best evidence of your efficiency and satisfactory manner in which the numerous duties of that important department of the labor of the field have been performed, is the harmony and the very satisfactory success with which our labors have been crowned during the season that is now come to a close. And now the pleasing duty has been assigned to me of presenting you in the name and on behalf of your brethren and sisters, with this writing desk as a token of their esteem for you and of their appreciation of the valuable services you have rendered to our society in connection with your department of the labor of the field. And although it is of little pecuniary value, I feel quite assured that as a token of the esteem of your brethren and sisters, and of their hearty acknowledgment and approval of the manner in which you have fulfilled the duties of your important station, you will value it highly. And that the blessing of our Father in Heaven shall rest upon you and your beloved partner in life, is the united desire of your brethren and sisters of Acton West Grange No. 471. Signed on behalf of the Grange, JAMES L. WARREN, MARGERY McDONALD, MAGGIE GORDON.

Grange Rooms, Acton West, 20th Dec., 1876. Mr. Campbell being altogether taken by surprise, made a brief reply, thanking them sincerely for their kind address and for the handsome token presented to him, which speaks to him the appreciation of his services.

All kinds of cakes loaf and ornamented at Galloway Bros' Bakery. For good tea cakes and tea buns go to Galloway Bros' Bakery. Cash for Pork. Christie, Henderson & Co., Acton, will pay the highest price in cash for any quantity of well-dressed hogs.

Christmas cakes, lunch cakes, pound cakes, fruit cakes, sponge cakes, etc., at Galloway Bros' Bakery.

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- A Good Assortment of Sluds, Cuff Buttons, Lockets, Chains, Fancy Gold Rings, Gold Drops, Brooches, Sets, Black Sets, Separate Brooches, Drops, Black Locket, Pearl Suits, Necklaces of all kinds, Toy Watches, Etc., etc., etc.

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- Canned Peaches, Plums, Gooseberries, Blackberries, Cherries, Pears, Preserves, Jams, Jellies, Pickles, Lobsters, Salmon, Sardines, Clams, Oysters, Fruits, Raisins, Currants, Figs, Nuts, Biscuits, Confectionery, and Honey. The Largest and Cheapest Stock of Teas ever brought into Acton. Tobaccoes, Rice, Barley, Corn Starch, Rice Flour, Soaps, &c. Hardware, Cutlery, Spoons, Paints, Oils, &c. Acton, Nov. 29, 1876.

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THAT WONDERFUL MAN'S COST PRICE SALE.

The largest amount of Goods sold yesterday BY JOHN HOGG & SON Ever Sold in one day in Guelph. GREAT BARGAINS!

Best quality of Seasonable Goods less than Manufacturer's Prices. The great Sale continues each day. Hurry in and partake of the great advantages offered. JOHN HOGG & SON, Alma Block, Upper Wyndham Street, Guelph, Jan. 8, 1877.

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WM. STEWART & CO.

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