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GRAND TRUNK TIME TABLE.
Trains leave Acton as follows:—

GOING WEST.	
Night Express	1:04 a.m.
Toronto mail	9:10 a.m.
Day Express	1:37 p.m.
Express	5:20 p.m.
Coal mixed	7:07 p.m.
GOING EAST.	
Night Express	3:38 a.m.
Coal mixed	9:10 a.m.
Day Express	11:34 a.m.
Western mail	5:20 p.m.
London mixed	10:10 p.m.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
To Farmers—J. O. Leala.
Barnes—Wilson & Johnson.
New Spring Goods—A. O. Bucham.
Nurse Wanted—Apply at this office.
Stores and Tinware—Robert Fisher.
Valuable Property for Sale in Acton.
Shorthorn Bulls for Sale—C. S. Smith.
Spring has Come—J. D. Williamson & Co.
Incident Act of 1875—Estate of Mrs. McNair.
Executors Notice—Estate of late Mrs. Ann Clark.

LOCAL MATTERS.
—April showers bring forth May flowers.
—Facts for the People.—If you need a neat, durable and cheap shoe, you can get it at Christie, Henderson & Co's.
—Mr. Andrew C. Scott, the popular business planter, leaves Acton this afternoon for Scotland. He says he may return to Canada when times get better. We wish him a good voyage.
—Secord Bros. spring stock of Groceries, Teas, Syrups, &c., just received. Now in stock Garden Seeds of all kinds.

The Free Library.
Another addition of fifty dollars worth of books has just been made to our public library, making the present number of volumes about 1300. We would again remind the residents of Acton and vicinity that the use of the books is perfectly free, and that the volumes can be obtained from the Librarian at the school house, every Monday evening. The library contains a great many very valuable works.

To our Friends.
We would be greatly obliged if any of our readers would furnish us with particulars of occurrences of general interest, which may happen in their neighborhood. Never mind how crude the style in which you may express your thoughts, only write proper names plainly and correctly, and we will put it in shape for publication and be very glad of the opportunity. The only way to make a successful local paper, is for its patrons to take an interest in it.

Knights of Pythias.
Dr. J. S. King, Grand Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias of Ontario, will deliver a free public lecture in Matthews' Hall this (Thursday) evening, on the origin, principles, aims, benefits, etc., of the Order. Cordial invitation to everybody, especially the ladies, to come and hear a very interesting account of the circumstances which gave rise to the Order, including a sketch of the beautiful example set by Damon and Pythias, as recorded in ancient history. Lecture to commence at eight o'clock. F. H. STOREY, K. of R. & S.

Sons of Temperance.
The following persons were installed officers of Acton Division Sons of Temperance, on Tuesday evening last by Bro. John Speight, D.G.W.P.
Bro. Edward Moore, W.P.
Sister Hattie Speight, W.A.
Bro. Wm. Smyke, F.S.
Sister Lizzie Warren, A.R.S.
Bro. James Warren, F.S.
Bro. Benj. Nicklin, Treas.
Bro. R. B. Cook, Chap.
Bro. S. Zimmerman, Con.
Sister Jennie Auld, A.C.
Bro. Hugh Cameron, I.S.
Bro. Wm. Gibbons, O.S.
Bro. Robert Warren, P.V.P.

Competitive Exhibition of Common Sense.
An American paper publishes an advertisement announcing a fair and festival of a novel and unique description, to be held by the ladies of a certain church in the town. Among the new features will be a "Free Competitive Exhibition of Common Sense in the Household;" or a Display of Culinary Accomplishments. Premiums are to be awarded to the lady who makes the best pie, cake, tea-biscuit, or bread. Supper will be served at 12 o'clock. (Call for what you want and pay for what you get.)

Base Ball.
The Acton Pastime Club has been organized for the season, with a strong team, believed to be much superior to that of any previous year. The old grounds have been leased for another term, and we shall expect to see some good practice as soon as the state of the field permits. The newly elected officers are as follows:
Oliver Lester, President.
Joe Allan, Vice-President.
Wm. Gramar, Captain.
F. H. Storey, Secretary.
Thea Kennedy, Treasurer.
Field Committee: W. Gramar, W. Williams, Joe Speight, J. Allan and F. H. Storey.

Acton Council.
The regular monthly meeting of the Council was held in Matthews Hall, last Thursday evening, all the members being present. The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed. A petition was presented from Mr. P. S. Armstrong and 120 other ratepayers of the village, requesting the Council to take some action towards opening out and straightening Mill street from the railway crossing to the boundary line of the corporation. On motion of Mr. Christie, seconded by Mr. Nicklin, the petition was received and referred to the committee on streets and sidewalks. On motion of Mr. Christie, seconded by Mr. Smith, one dollar was ordered to be refunded to Mr. A. B. Wright for error in assessment of a dog. The Council adjourned to meet again on Friday 4th May.

Felt Hats in all colors, sizes, and qualities. A large lot to select from: at Christie, Henderson & Co's. Felt hats are decidedly cheap this season. At least C. H. & Co's stock are extra value.

NASSAGAWEYA.
For the Acton Free Press.

Exploit of Ten Nassagaweya Braves.
Our neighborhood became much alarmed, one night lately, as two young Tam O'Shanter, on their way home from a party, discovered our school house, like Kirk Alloway of old, all ablaze. Upon inquiry they learnt that five "tramps" had been seen in the vicinity during the evening, and the probability was that ten of the occupants pro-

tem of the school house. And as a couple of such characters were known to have occupied it some time since who took away the master's gloves and each with them, we regarded with suspicion such tenants-at-will, and it was easy therefore to imagine these tramps as belonging to the worst specimens of humanity, perhaps fugitives from justice, afraid to face their fellow-creature to ask shelter, or perhaps they were just waiting until the still hours of the night when they might sally forth to deeds of plunder or blood. At any rate they were guilty of Housebreaking, and should at once be arrested and brought to trial. So thought the affrighted young men. So they hurried off and gave the alarm to one of the Trustees, who set about gathering a band of Braves,—for sure they were nothing less,—who turned out on that fearfully stormy night to capture a band of desperadoes, armed no doubt to the teeth with pistols, Bowieknives, etc. A band of ten, including the Pedagogue and the aforesaid Trustees, were soon gathered, and while one of the number was sent to the nearest J. P. for a warrant, the nine prepared for the conflict. At first there seemed a difficulty in procuring arms—that is, the necessary equipments of war. A couple of fowling pieces and two revolvers were on hand, and the rest of us took such clubs, shells, broomsticks, etc., as we could find, while one shrewd fellow took the wife's potatoe masher—(oh will he knew the potency of such a weapon, for in the hands of a good man or woman it never misses fire); and here let me say in justice to that brave nine, Mr. Editor, had you seen them that terrible night, as they drew up in close column behind the brow of the hill, waiting the word to do or die,—had you looked upon that devoted little band with that terrible snow-storm dashing in your face, you would have shed tears, so you would.

Well, the word was given, and away we went, and quicker than I can write it, we were around that school house; three taking possession of the windows on each side, while other three unlocked the door, walked in and ordered the garrison to surrender. Seeing escape impossible, and fighting useless, they capitulated. About daybreak the constable arrived with a sleigh and a warrant and took the culprits to the magistrate, who told them to stand up and answer the charge of house-breaking. The oldest of the squad spoke as follows: "They had not been one year in Canada; they had no home, no money, no food, no shelter; they were making their way to Toronto in search of work; they had been refused shelter so often that they had resolved to ask it no more; and were driven as a last resort to take shelter in the school house; they were honest, laboring men, and if they had been guilty of a misdemeanor it was to save their lives." The defence was certainly able, and the J. P. felt himself in a quandary. It was usual in such cases, to send some one to jail; but in this case whether to send the prisoners, the witness or the constable, was a difficulty from which, however, one of the prisoners relieved his worship, by stating that he was induced to come to this country by the representations of an emigration agent; while the court decided that that emigration agent was the party to go to jail. So after giving them some good advice, the sentence of the court was that prisoners be taken to the nearest tavern and provided with breakfast at the expense of the corporation and then sent at liberty. The inn was about a mile distant, and here let me add to the credit of the prisoners, that after sentence not one of them attempted to escape. Boniface smiled at the sentence of the court for five, although he looked a little blue afterwards when told to charge it to the municipality. However, like a sensible man, he made the best of what he could not help, and treated the prisoners and constable to a glass of beer each, after which he pronounced the benediction on them and they absquitted.

Moral.—Be careful to entertain strangers, lest they be overtaken in school houses unawares.

One of Them.
—Facts for the Ladies.—Christie Henderson & Co. this week open beautiful lines in Seasonable Dress Goods—all the leading styles and shades. These goods will be sold without reserve at their low cash prices. A new consignment of the far famed Tiger Brand Black Lustre just in; this brand is pronounced by competent judges to be the best and cheapest make of Black Lustre in the market. An examination especially requested.

Facts for the Gents.—The custom made cheviot shirts offered by Christie, Henderson & Co. this week are really the nicest articles of the kind in the market. Their new stock of white Dress Shirts comprise all the sizes, and are really very cheap.

Come to the Post Office Store, Acton, for bargains in Groceries, Crockery, Glassware, Wall Papers, Paper Window Blinds, Stationery, Fancy Goods, etc.

A fourth Canadian claimant to an English peerage has come to light in one Mr. C. J. French-Dalzell, who is seeking to establish his title to the earldom and estates of "Carnwath."

30 CASES.
NEW SPRING GOODS

We have opened up recent extensive purchases, and are prepared to show a Magnificent

STOCK OF NEW GOODS.
We invite Inspection from every Lady.

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Fashionable West End Dress, Millinery and Mantle Establishment.
Guelph, April 5, 1877.

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Of White and Refined Sugars, Syrups, Molasses, Vinegar, Oat Meal, Corn Meal, New Currants, Prunes, Coal Oil, Boiled Oil, Raw Oil, Spirits of Turpentine, Varnish, Japans, etc.

Kegs
Of Prunes, Soda, Red Lead, White Lead. Colors of all kinds, etc.

Cases, Boxes, Caddies and Sacks
Of Biscuits, Confectionery, Spices, Starch, Canned Fruit, Fish, etc., Tobaccos, Cigars, Raisins, Cheese, Soaps, Candles, Washing Crystals, Pickles, Jams, Jellies, Matches, etc.

Chests, Caddies and Boxes
Of Young Hyson, Gunpowder, Japan and Black Teas, ranging in price from 10 cents upwards. The best value in the county.

SECORD BROS.
Acton, March 14, 1877.

THAT WONDERFUL MAN.

FIRST ARRIVALS
OUR MILLINERY DEPARTMENT.
SHOW GOODS.

Ladies' and Misses new Hats in all kinds—white, brown, black, navy blue, cardinal. Also novelties in new shapes and styles, only to had at our store. New Flowers, new feathers, new Ribbons, new Silk Ties.

Our House Furnishing Department embraces everything that can be reasonably looked for. Call and examine this Department.

Ready-made Clothing.
Extraordinary value is offered in Men's Suits, Boys' Suits, Men's Coats, Men's Trousers, Boys' Coats, Boys' Pants. We offer a good suit of Tweed, Men's size, for \$7—coat, vest and pants.

JOHN HOGG & SON,
Alma Block, Upper Wyndham Street, Guelph.
March 8, 1877

FACTS FOR THE PEOPLE.

JUST OPENED THIS WEEK

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2000 PAIRS SHOES
Men's, Women's and Children's Sizes.

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IMMENSE PILES OF
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FOR
Men and Boys' Wear—Cheap.

MEN'S FULL TWEED SUITS
FOR \$8.00 ONLY.

FELT HATS,
Newest Styles and Makes—Very Cheap.

Remember that Famous 50c Tea.
CHRISTIE, HENDERSON & CO.
Acton, March 21, 1877.

W. STEWART & CO
Have commenced opening their

New Spring Importations
And in a few days will show the finest stock of

FIRST CLASS GOODS
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Dress Goods,
Spring Jackets,
Mantles,
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Kid Gloves,
Hosiery,
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Mourning Goods.

OUR COTTONS
were all contracted for before the recent advance. Customers will have the benefit.

Gents' Department.
In Cloths and Tweeds,
Dress Shirts,
Ties, Collars, etc.,
Stock of Felt Hats,
Are particularly inviting in styles and price.

WM. STEWART & CO.
Guelph, March 6, 1877.

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Acton July 1st, 1876.

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Acton, March 21, 1877.

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Caskets, Coffins, Burial Robes, and all kinds of Funeral Furnishings kept in stock, and supplied on the shortest notice.
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JOHN SPIEGHT,
Acton, Feb. 10, 1877.