CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S GOODS.

At J. E. McGARVIN'S HALL OF PHARMACY - MILL STREET, ACTON, ONTARIO.

Comprising Shells, Bronzes, Papier Machie Goods, Jewel Cases, Companions, Purses, Albums, Cruets, Folios, Perfumes, Scent Bottles Shell Pockets, Vinaigrettes, Skates, Mats, Razor Cases, Briar and Meerschaum Pipes, Ink Stands, &c., &c

CALL EARLY AND SECURE YOUR CHOICE.

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	1.57 p.m.
Express	5.20 p.m.
Galt mixed	7:07 p.m.
GOING EAST.	
Night Express	3:38 a.m.
Galt mixed	9:10 a.m.
Day Express	11:34 a.m.
Western mail	5:20 p.m.
London mixed	10:10 p.m.

Service in the Methodist Church every Sabbath evening at half-past six o'clock; and both morning and evening on the first Sabbath of each month. REV. R. HOBBS, Pastor.

LOCAL MATTERS.

—Polish up your skates.

—Try J. C. Hill for good skates.

—The tax collector is on the war path.

—Christmas presents at Hynds' Jewellery Store.

—Some of the crossings in town are simply execrable.

—The FREE PRESS from now to Jan. 1st, '79, for $1.

—See Hynds' new advertisement on second page.

—Read the advertisements today and patronize the advertisers.

—Christmas presents at Hynds' Jewellery Store.

—Acton Village Council meets this evening for the last time this year.

—Craine & Son's new adv. was received too late for this week's issue. Look out for it next week.

—Subscriptions received for the Weekly *Globe*, Guelph *Mercury*, &c., at J. C. Hills.

—We have a large quantity of waste paper on hand, suitable for wrapping purposes, which we will sell cheap.

—Subscribe for Bow Bells, Young Ladies' Journal, etc., etc., for 1878, at J. C. Hills.

—The best Tea Cakes and Buns in town are to be had at Galloway's Bakery.

—The ordinance of baptism was administered by Rev. D. R. Campbell, upon one person at Crewson's Corners on Friday last

—The reporters of the Guelph daily papers have been voted $10 each by the Wellington County Council for their services in reporting the proceedings of that body.

—The 9:10 a.m. express on the Grand Trunk was two hours behind time on Monday morning. The cause of this delay was on account of the Mimico bridge being repaired.

—Walnut Frames in great variety at C. W. Hill's.

—We would direct the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Mrs. Carter, music teacher, which appears in another column.

—Andrew Thompson, the Georgetown burglar, who pleaded guilty of breaking into Armour's jewellery store lately, was sentenced by Judge Scott to seven years in the Kingston Penitentiary.

—Christmas presents at Hynds' Jewellery Store.

—As Mr. Hobbs and wife were returning from a tea meeting, which was held in Bethel Church, Nassagaweya on Monday night, a wheel suddenly became detached from the buggy, thus allowing the buggy to go down considerably. Fortunately no one was hurt.

—Go to Galloway's Bakery for the best Bread in town. It is free from Drugs.

—As the days jog along, Santa Claus begins to lower in the distance, with his wonted importance. Little darlings are dropping penny after penny into the strong boxes; plans for Christmas trees are developing, and the world wags joyously.

—We get the best 50c Tea at the post office store, also 3 lbs good Hyson for $1. (Poultry wanted).

—MISSIONARY MEETING. — A Missionary Meeting will be held in the Congregational Church, Acton, on Tuesday, 18th inst., at half-past seven o'clock. Rev's McCall, Davies, and others, besides the resident ministers, will address the meeting. A collection will be taken up in behalf of the Mission Fund.

—Fresh Cakes, Buns, Biscuits, etc., at Nicklin's Bakery,

SKATING.—Every evening quite a number of young persons congregate on the mill pond. There being no snow and a great deal of frost, the ice is in excellent condition. This makes things look "blue" for the new skating rink.

—$2,100 to loan on Farm Security in sums of $500, or upwards at 8 per cent Interest, apply to JAMES MATTHEWS.

—That famous 50c Tea—is probably in more general use than all other teas put together—put up in neat caddies of 5 lbs at 45 cts per lb. You can get it only at Christie, Henderson & Co.'s Acton, send for it by express if you cannot come yourself.

—A question often asked, "Where do you buy your bread?" The answer always comes, "At Nicklin's."

—The Skating Rink was flooded last week for the first time, when it was found that one end of the rink was higher than the other. Since then men have been engaged levelling the bottom, and it is understood they will have finished in a day or two, when it will be again flooded.

—Hill's Photographs are the best.

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS. — There does not seem to be any stir over the coming Municipal elections. Whether there will be any change in the present Council it is hard to say, but it is generally understood that several new candidates are aspiring for municipal honors. The names of the new candidates are not yet made public.

—Christmas presents at Hynds' Jewellery Store.

—Application will be made at the next session of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario for an act to incorporate the Town of Guelph as a City, and to authorize the conversion of the burying ground within the limits of Wyndham, Quebec, Yarmouth and Woolwich Streets, into a park or pleasure ground, and for other purposes.

FLANNELS.—At this season of the year the most desirable article for children's clothing is a nice warm Flannel. You can get beautiful check Flannel just suitable for that purpose for only 25 cts per yard, at Christie, Henderson & Co.'s, Acton.

ACCIDENT IN ERIN.—On Thursday last, while a lad named John Cripps, aged 12, son of Mr. Wm. Cripps, was riding on horseback, the horse on which he sat fell, throwing him with violence to the ground, alighting on his head. He was insensible when picked up, and, at latest accounts has not spoken. Dr. Lowry, Acton, attends the sufferer.

—Before making Christmas purchases our readers would do well to look over our advertising columns. Business men who advertise are generally the most liberal; besides, they want your trade, and go on the principle that what is worth having is worth asking for. Such men are always pains-taking, and endeavor to retain your custom; while those who don't advertise virtually say, "You can trade with us if you like, but mind we don't ask you to."

—Christmas presents at Hynds' Jewellery Store.

WALLACEBURG ADVOCATE.—This neat little sheet has had a change in the proprietorship. Mr. Asa Cronk, the former editor has retired and his partner, Mr. M. Ferguson, assumes the cares and responsibilities of editor. Being personally acquainted with Mr. Ferguson, we know him to be an enterprising young man, and have no doubt he will fill the editor's chair with credit to himself.

—Mr. Ransom Adams, of this place had a horse and buggy stolen lately. It appears that, on Nov 19, a man named John Falls, from Churchville, wished to hire the rig for a few days to go to Brampton. Having secured the rig he drove off and has not been heard of since. Mr. Adams offers a reward for any person who will give information which will lead to the recovery of the property and conviction of the thief.

EXTENSION OF PREMISES.—Mr. Geo. Hynds, the Acton watchmaker, finding that his increasing business would warrant the change, has extended his quarters in the Post Office store to about twice their former dimensions. He has also purchased a beautiful silver-mounted show case with which to show his goods to better advantage. Watches, clocks, jewelry and an immense stock of Christmas goods have been added to his already large stock. Friend Hynds, we wish you success.

Coffee Social.

A goodly number of persons attended the coffee social, held under the auspices of the Methodist Church Choir, in the Temperance Hall, last Friday evening. Games and amusements were indulged in for about two hours, after which order was called, and the programme commenced by the choir singing an anthem in splendid style. Rev. R. Hobbs, chairman, gave a short address and was followed by an instrumental piece, skilfully rendered by Mr. Chas. Carter. "Gathering up the shells from the shore," was well sung by Messrs. C. Hill and A. Matthews, and Misses Watson and McNair. A capital reading, "The Old Church organ," by Miss Fanny Christie, was well appreciated, as also was "House of God" by the choir. An instrumental piece by Mr. C. Carter, was given in exquisite style; Misses Christie and McNair following in the duet, "What are the wild waves saying," splendidly delivered. "The Editor's Guests" by Mr. T. A. Moore, was received with loud applause. The choir sung an anthem, and so ended as pleasant a social as has been held in Acton for some time past.

Mr. HorthkmurohrogchdBergr, called on us the other day and explained about the Municipal Election as follows:—PupmujynnhoJh ReomchuPhrsj TucKumsJ Lhkb.

MEETING OF CREDITORS.—A meeting of the creditors of Benajah Williams, of Glenwilliams, an insolvent, was held on Monday, 10th inst., at the office of Mr. D. W. Campbell, official assignee, Milton. The only business transacted was the appointment of Mr. John Smith, of Guelph, as assignee; Mr. Finlay, agent of the Bank of Montreal, Guelph, and Mr. W. H. Storey, Acton, as inspectors. The meeting adjourned to meet at the office of the assignee in Guelph, on Monday, 17th inst., at 2 o'clock. We understand the liabilities of the insolvent to be about $35,000, assets about $42,000.

—Any person wishing to make a splendid Christmas present to their friends, should call at Hill's Photograph Gallery, and have a large portrait made.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

ACTON PLANING MILLS

D. W. CAMPBELL, Prop.

Having purchased the above named establishment, I am prepared to manufacture

SASH, DOORS, MOULDINGS, &c

All kinds of

PLAINING

Promptly attended to.

D. W. CAMPBELL.

Acton, Dec. 4th, 1877. 22-3m

SPECIAL

DRY GOODS ANNOUNCEMENT.

CHRISTIE, HENDERSON & CO

ACTON

Take pleasure in assuring their many customers that the share of business accorded them during the Fall Season has been unusually large, notwithstanding the depressed state of trade generally, and that during the remainder of the season no pains will be spared to retain the confidence reposed in them. By regularly assorting their stock they hope to be able to fill all orders with the utmost promptness, and at the very closest prices In all lines of seasonable goods their stock will be found complete.

Millinery and Mantle Room

Is in charge of experienced hands only, and is regularly supplied with all the newest designs, so that satisfaction can be guaranteed. No fancy prices charged for Millinery as is usual in large towns and cities. A fact which the Ladies should remember.

READY-MADE OVERCOATS.

In great variety and cheap from $5,00 up.

BOOTS & SHOES—Large variety and cheap.

RUBBERS, OVERSHOES, LADIES' GENTS' & Childrens' Felt Goods—Just opened.

Special drives in Dress Goods.

Full Stock of Black Lustres and Mourning Goods.

The Famous Tigre Brand Black Lustres is unsurpassed.

THEIR FAMOUS 50c TEA

Is too well known to need further mention, only to assure all lovers of a good sweet cup of tea at a very reasonable price, that this line will be kept up to the full standard. In 5 lb lots put up in a neat caddy at 45c, and money refunded if not satisfactory.

COAL OIL

By the gallon, 5 gallons, or Barrel—Special price for large purchasers.

Good Goods, Low Prices, and Square Dealing are among the inducements offered

No Threads put in for the purpose of extorting one or two cents more per yard.

CALL AND SEE US.

CHRISTIE, HENDERSON & CO.

Acton, Dec. 5, 1877.

THAT WONDERFUL MAN.

TRADE MARK—THE GOLDEN MAN.

Mantles, Jackets, Coats, Evening Silks, Evening Kid Gloves, Real Honiton and Limerick Laces,

PER STEAMER CELTIC.

Just arrived and opened up for inspection and sale, 2 cases of the above Goods, direct from London, England. Prices extremely cheap; quality of the Goods—best.

WE ALSO HAVE RECEIVED

A large lot of Ladies' Jacket and Coat Cloths, best and newest—prices extremely cheap.

An immense variety of Fancy Goods, Fancy Dress Silks, Black Dress Silks, at marvellously cheap prices.

EVERYTHING THAT A LADY WANTS

Is to be found at the

WONDERFUL MAN'S STORE.

Millinery, Hats, Bonnets, Flowers, all that is new, good, elegant in design, and exquisite in taste, is to be had of us.

CARPETS, CARPETS.

Best quality of Brussels, Tapestry, Kidderminster and Dutch Carpets are on exhibition at our Carpet Room. We quote bottom prices; styles, colors, and designs of which are unequalled in town.

Ready-Made Clothing

Ahead of all former efforts. Best assortment of Overcoats to be met with. Prices warranted 20 per cent under anything in town. An early call is solicited.

JOHN HOGG & SON,

Nov. 26, 1877. Alma Block, Upper Wyndham Street, Guelph.

Blast Number One.

PHOENIX LIKE UP AGAIN.

Your humble servant, the subscriber, having seen that there is a good opening for a first-class Dry Goods Store in his old home (the Village of Acton), has decided to open out in the New Brick Store, and his stock will be new and complete in its several departments of Ladies' Dress Wear and General Dry Goods. He has also secured the services of one of the best Milliners in the Province and hopes this will be no transient affair.

He expects to be ready on the 15th of this month and has no doubt that he will meet once again his old and tried friends of Esquesing, Nassagaweya, Erin and Acton, and is equally confident they will be satisfied with the quality and prices of his goods. And, as he intends to do business on a strictly cash basis, there will be no bad debts to be added to the cost of goods to his friends.

Produce of all kinds taken at the highest market prices.

Further particulars will be given in Blast No. 2.

Very truly yours,

JAMES SYMON.

Acton, December 5, 1877.

NEW BUTCHERING BUSINESS.

FARR & McHARDY

Announce to the people of Acton and vicinity that they have commenced the butchering business in the premises lately occupied by Mr. G. M. Scott, next door to Galloway's bakery.

Fresh Meat of all kinds, Sausage, Bologna, Lard, etc., etc.,

Always on hand, in large quantities. Meat delivered fresh at the houses in the village every day. The patronage of the public respectfully solicited.

FARR & McHARDY.

Acton, Nov. 21, 1877. 20-1y

VALUABLE PROPERTY IN ACTON

For Sale or Let.

The Stone Dwelling on Main street, adjoining the entrance to the school grounds, is offered for sale or rent. There are nine rooms and large cellar, and a quarter of an acre of garden. For further particulars apply to

HORACE J. HALL, Esq.

Acton, Nov. 20, 1877. 20-3m

A LECTURE

TO YOUNG MEN.

We have recently published a new edition of **Dr. Culverwell's Celebrated Essay** on the radical and permanent cure (without medicine) of Nervous Debility, Mental and Physical Incapacity, Impediments to Marriage, etc., resulting from excesses.

Price, in a sealed envelope, only 6 cents or two postage stamps.

The celebrated author, in this admirable Essay clearly demonstrates, from thirty years' successful practice, that alarming consequences may be radically cured without the dangerous use of internal medicine or the application of the knife; pointing out a mode of cure at once simple, certain and effectual, by means of which every sufferer, no matter what his condition may be, may cure himself cheaply, privately and radically.

This lecture should be in the hands of every youth and every man in the land.

THE CULVERWELL MEDICAL CO., 41 Ann St., New York. Post Office Box 1586. 4-1y

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BERKSHIRE BOAR.

The undersigned has a pure bred Berkshire Boar, for service, on his premises, in Acton. Terms $1 cash.

J. B. BURNS.

Acton, Nov. 1, 1877. 18-2m

HEMLOCK BARK.

I hereby give notice that I do not now buy Hemlock Bark, as I have a full supply on hand.

G. L. BEARDMORE.

Acton Tannery, Oct. 15, 1877.

VARIETY AND GROCERY STORE,

Opposite Dr. McGarvin's residence, Mill Street, Acton.

JOHN HAWKINS

Wishes to call attention to his stock of

GROCERIES

And other Useful Articles.

Note the following:

Fresh Groceries, Tea, Sugars, Raisins, Tobacco, Biscuit, Soap, Ball Blue, Button Blue, Soda, and all other things in connection with the Grocery line. Also Pipes, Cigar-holders, Hair Brushes, Combs, Penknives, Lead Pencils, Note Paper, F. C. Paper, Pens and Ink, Tooth Brushes, Finger Rings, Pins, Needles, and a variety of other things too numerous to mention.

Call and be convinced of the above facts. The patronage of the public respectfully solicited.

JOHN HAWKINS.

Acton, Nov. 14, 1877.

BEATTY'S

PIANO & PARLOR ORGAN

INSTRUCTOR.

Containing the elements of music, with easy and progressive exercises to perfect the player in the art of music (either piano or organ) to which is added over sixty Waltzes, Polkas, Marches, Gallops, Operatic Melodies, Dances, etc., by Daniel F. Beatty, Washington, New Jersey, one of the best works of its kind ever introduced, and should be in the hands of every piano and organ player. Sent postpaid to any part of the United States or Canada for only fifty cents the price having been reduced to introduce it everywhere. Address DANIEL F. BEATTY, Washington, New Jersey.

NEW DOMINION BOOT & SHOE STORE

Opposite Agnew's Hotel, Main Street, Acton.

KENNEY & SON

Wish to call the attention of the inhabitants of the Village of Acton and vicinity to their immense stock of

BOOTS, SHOES & GROCERIES.

Comprising all the latest styles in Boots and Shoes.

Our Grocery Department

Is well supplied with

Teas, Sugars, Fruits, Biscuits, Tobaccos, Soaps, Coffees, &c., &c.

Please call and examine our stock.

KENNEY & SON.

Acton, Dec. 12, 1877. 3m