

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 1:07 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 in the morning at seven o'clock on the first Sabbath of each month. REV. W. H. HARRIS, Pastor.

LOCAL MATTERS.

New door!
Christmas presents are in order
Skating on sidewalk Tuesday evening.
Hill's Photographs are the best.
The FREE PRESS from now to Jan. 1st, 79, for \$1.
Christmas presents at Hynds' Jewellery Store.
To-morrow will be the shortest day this year.
Merry Christmas next Tuesday.
Public School Examination to-morrow.
Business brisk in town last Monday.
Buy your Xmas presents from J. E. McGarvin.
Lots of "bummers" at Secord's corner Sunday night.
Snow is expected sometime this winter.
Be sure and see J. E. McGarvin's stock of Xmas Goods.
St. Andrew's Day was celebrated in Guelph with great style.
Maner, hotel keeper, is getting a new peach in front of his hotel.
I use J. E. McGarvin's Worm Powder. What do you use?
Christie, Henderson & Co.'s famous Tea.
Walnut Frames in great variety at C. W. Hill's.
Albums, albums, from 30c upwards, at Hynds' Jewellery Store.
The Skating Rink will be flooded as soon as "frosty" weather comes.
D. Campbell, the evangelist, will preach in the Temperance Hall on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock.
The cheapest and best lot of Albums at Hynds' Jewellery Store.
McGarvin, Druggist, has sent us his Royal Canadian Almanac for 1878.
The J. O. O. F. have put up a new lamp at the entrance to their rooms. It looks well.
The best Tea cakes and Buns in town are to be had at Galloway's Bakery.
If you have anything to sell invite buyers through the columns of the FREE PRESS.
We have a large quantity of waste paper, on hand, suitable for wrapping purposes, which we will sell cheap.
We are pleased to notice that Mr. W. Dunning, who had his arm broken about six weeks ago, is able to have it out of the sling. He expects to see it shortly.
Action Sale of household furniture at the residence of Mr. J. H. Hacking, on Saturday, commencing at 11 o'clock.
A question often asked, "Where do you buy your bread?" The answer always comes, "At Nicklin's."
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.
Mr. J. H. Hacking, who is about to remove to Guelph, will offer the whole of his household furniture for sale at public auction, next Saturday morning.
Go to Galloway's Bakery for the best Bread in town. It is free from drugs.
Crewson's Corners' Division Sons of Temperance will hold another of their first-class entertainments in the new Temperance Hall in that place, on Wednesday evening, 26th inst. The entertainment will consist of speeches, vocal and instrumental music, recitations, readings, &c. Lockwood Temperance Choir, together with several popular singers, will be present.
Christmas presents at Hynds' Jewellery Store.
We have received from the publishers, John Dougall & Son, Montreal, a copy of Vennor's Winter Almanac and Weather Record, for 1877-78. It is a neat pamphlet of 138 pages. During the past three years Mr. Vennor's weather predictions have caused much interest throughout the whole Dominion, and it is thought this work will have a large sale. The price is twenty cents. The trade supplied by Dawson Bros., Montreal.

We have for sale one of Beatty's celebrated Pianos that will be disposed of at a great bargain. For particulars apply at this office.
Prosperous.—The Georgetown hotels are doing a lively business. Milton Champion. No doubt they do, when the editor of the Champion is in Georgetown.
Your table does not look well unless it has some of Nicklin's cakes upon it. They are pronounced boss by every one.
Any person wishing to put presents on the Methodist Church Christmas tree for their friends are to have them at the Church by three o'clock Monday.
The Post Office Store is the place to buy Christmas presents, and presents to hang on the Christmas Tree. Very large stock to choose from.
The teachers of the Church of England Sabbath School intend having an entertainment on Xmas evening. There will be a Panopaea, Xmas Tree, and Social Tea. The proceeds are to be appropriated towards replenishing the School Library.
NEARLY DROWNED.—On Friday evening a young man named John McCrac, while skating on Nicklin's pond, ventured too near the edge and broke through. At the place where he got in the water is about ten feet deep. There being a log directly under him he only sank to the neck, but had it not been for the timely assistance of others he would have either been drowned or frozen to death.
The Canadian Agricultural Insurance Company, of Montreal, has gone into liquidation. The insolvency of the President, Mr. Wm. Angus, who had some \$15,000 worth of stock has, no doubt, precipitated this action. Insurers are said to be perfectly secure, although they have to wait some time before their claims are paid.
A CURIOSITY.—On Saturday last, Mr. T. C. Moore, of this Village, brought out a branch of a water-worn tree that fell from a tree. It looks beautiful. He noticed the tree while passing the farm of Mr. John Brown, 5th line, Esquesing, and cut the twig off. It can be seen at this office.
Mr. George Levans has our thanks for a can of splendid oysters, which he sent us Tuesday. The boys enjoyed the feast, as it was the first can of oysters that has been given to the poor printer, since coming to this village. We would advise those who wish to get a well-filled can of good oysters to go to Levans. He sells by the can or by measure.
Some enterprising farmers in this section intend holding a monthly auction sale of stock, &c., at Agnew's Hotel. The first sale will take place on Saturday next. Any person wishing to bring cattle or horses to the sale, may have them sold by paying fifty cents per head. This is an enterprise which should be encouraged by farmers and others in this vicinity.
PAINFUL ACCIDENT.—On Friday last, a young man named Kennedy, employed at Mr. Joel Leslie's, Erin, was engaged cutting wood, the axe slipped, cutting the foot nearly off at the joint of the big toe. Dr. McGarvin of Acton, was immediately sent for and dressed the wound. We understand the young man is progressing favorably.

We have received a communication entitled "A letter written from Corrib, Ont., to Ireland," but as our correspondent does not give his name, we decline to publish it. We positively refuse publishing any communications unless accompanied by the name of the writer—not to publish, but as a guarantee of good faith.
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The Missionary Meeting held in the Congregational Church, Tuesday evening, was well attended. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Davies, occupied the chair. Interesting addresses were delivered by Rev's Messrs. Unsworth, of Georgetown, McCall and Silecek, explaining the working of the Congregational Missionary Society of Canada. A collection was taken up at the close.

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 PLANING
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.
BOOTS & SHOES—Large variety and cheap.
RUBBERS, OVERSHOES, LADIES' GENTS' & Children's 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.

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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 marvelously cheap prices.

THAT WONDERFUL MAN.
TRADE MARK—THE GOLDEN MAN.

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 HOCC & SON,
Alma Block, Upper Wyndham Street, Guelph.
Nov. 26, 1877.

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.

BERKSHIRE BOAR.
The undersigned has for service a pure-bred Berkshire Boar, on Lot 30, 1st con., Esquesing. Terms 75 cents cash.
P. & J. ROBERTSON.
Esquesing Dec. 10th 1877. 23-2t.

REMOVAL.
Mrs. Carter begs leave to inform the inhabitants of Acton and the vicinity, that having removed to more extensive premises, she is prepared to receive a larger number of pupils, and having the assistance of her son in the musical department, she has more time to devote to other branches of education.
Acton, Dec. 12th, 1877. 23-3c

PORK PACKING HOUSE.
The subscriber has always on hand all kinds of fresh Meat, Sausages and Poultry, cheap.
CHAS. CAMERON.
Acton, Dec. 12th 1877. 23-3m.

BERKSHIRE BOAR.
The undersigned has still the Berkshire Boar, "Wellington," bred by Mr. Geo. Hudd, of Guelph, which will be kept for service, at the farm joining the Grand Trunk Station. Price \$1.00. Cash.
C. S. SMITH.
Acton, Dec. 5, 1877. 22-4t

THE ROYAL EXCHANGE HOTEL.
ACTON.
This well-known house has recently undergone a thorough renovating and repairing, is now furnished with new and modern furniture of the best description, and is prepared to provide first-class accommodation to the public. The present proprietor has received a license, and he will keep the bar well supplied with the very best of liquors and cigars. The stabling is large and well-fitted up; also ample shed-room. The patronage of the public is respectfully solicited.
JOHN MANEY.
Acton, June 26, 1877.

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. Carter's Celebrated Essay on the radical and permanent cure without the aid of Nerve's Irritability, Mental and Physical Inactivity, 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 alternative courses may be faithfully cured without the dangerous use of internal medicine or the application of leeches; pointing out a mode of cure at once simple, certain and effectual; by which his condition may be, may cure himself cheaply, privately and radically.
This lecture should be in the hands of every young man every man in the land.
THE CULVERWELL MEDICAL CO.,
41 Ann St., New York.
Post Office Box 436. 4-17

NOTICE.
The Public Examination of the pupils of the
ACTON PUBLIC SCHOOL
Will be held on
Friday, Dec. 21
The Examination will commence in the 2nd and 3rd Department at nine o'clock a. m. and in the 1st at one p. m., precisely. The parents and friends of the pupils, and all others interested in education are respectfully invited to attend.
J. ROSS, Head Master.
Acton, Dec. 12th 1877. 23-2t

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), in which he includes over sixty Waltzes, Polkas, Marches, Galops, Operatic Melodies, Dances, etc., by Daniel F. Beatty, Washington, New Jersey, one of the best works of its kind ever published, and should be in the hands of every piano and organ player. Sent post-paid 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.
KENNEDY & 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.
Ordered Work receives our special attention. Repairing promptly attended to.
Our Grocery Department
Is well supplied with
Teas, Sugars,
Fruits, Biscuits,
Tobaccos, Soaps,
Coffees, &c., &c.
Please call and examine our stock.
KENNEDY & SON
Acton, Dec. 12 1877. 3m

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.

LOOK OUT FOR
LEITH & CO
NEXT WEEK.