



Editorial Notes.

To what desperate straits have the Anti-Scott Act party fallen. Nothing appears so contemptible or mean for them to attempt in the way of retarding the popular movement. With the theft of a portion of the Durham and Northumberland petition while lying in the Sheriff's office in Cobourg, our readers are already acquainted, and now comes an attempt to defeat the vote in Huron County and Dufferin by stealing the ballot boxes in which was contained the vote of these Counties. However, the steal was not successful as a sufficient number of votes still remained to establish the Act. Such attempts at muzzling public opinion can lead only to one result. The people are not now in the mood to tolerate such proceedings without retaliation and a keener and more energetic sympathy with the Scott Act will certainly be the outcome.

VOTING on the Scott Act, the Uxbridge Journal states, will likely come off during December. Returns have been filed and the petition will be placed with the Sheriff at once. It would be well, also to place a guard over that department and prevent the possibility of its loss by theft.

THE Ontario Legislature will meet on January 27th.

THE County of Victoria Roads and Bridges Committee met last week to discuss the question of building a system of gravel roads through the County. The matter is certainly a very important one to the people of Victoria, and means a very heavy outlay. We believe however, that it would pay. Victoria, especially the North Riding, is in a bad state so far as roads are concerned. Many of the townships being heavily encumbered with railway indebtedness, are not in a position to give the matter the attention which it imperatively requires, and certainly will not be for a long time to come. The leading roads of the several municipalities are as much a necessity to the public at large as to the municipality and we think it nothing but reasonable that the County should build those roads, when the Township cannot, and that it would pay to do so we have no doubt. We speak in behalf of Eldon, whose case is one of several in the County. The township has a very heavy railway debt, this debt has been incurred for a benefit to the public as a whole as to the municipality, and in the payment of this debt, many necessities have been absorbed, among them the building and repairing of its various roads, and to-day, we question if a township in the County is as badly off in this respect as Eldon. Many times has it been proposed to endeavour to place the third Concession in good order as a leading road, but as often has it been dropped. This road is a very important one and we are pleased to see it set down among the roads to be constructed. The worthy Reeve, Mr. McEachern, also proposed to gravel the 7th Con., from Grass Hill to Kirkfield as well. Both are much needed. The Committee however, decided to leave the matter over until next year, a course which we think wise. An outlay of \$100,000, which is said to be the possible cost of the proposed roads, is something to be well considered and although we believe it will readily be endorsed by the municipalities, it would be well to hear their voice in the matter.

THE Post in reference to our comment of last week, repeats silence on the Scott Act, remarks: "THE ADVOCATE ought to know that there is hardly anything more uncertain than an election. In view of this uncertainty, it is certainly not 'gingerly treatment' to say that in 'all likelihood' the Act will be adopted in the three counties named."—Yes, this is the usual opinion regarding elections, but we do not think the rule will apply in this case, the Scott Act will carry in Victoria, or we have judged it pretty wrong. The people of Victoria are fairly intelligent and no community laying claim to that honored condition can possibly refuse the Scott Act. Our cotem is now in line having promised support to the right side, which in this case must be the one of sobriety and order.

THE present low price of potatoes has never been equalled in these parts and the impression prevailing that the demand will not improve has led many farmers to dispose of their crop in any way possible. One farmer informed us he "just turned his hogs into the field, as it would not pay to pit the tubers this year." We believe this to be a mistake, and that before the winter is far advanced potatoes will improve very much. From advices we have in the States the crop is not an average. In the several towns of Massachusetts the average was 1.50 per bushel.

The crop in Quebec and Nova Scotia is almost an entire failure. The rot is causing serious havoc in Northern Maine. Vermont has a small crop. The New York crop is not as that of last year, while the Eastern crop is below the average, and the Southern demand promises to be larger than usual.

To get rid of the surplus so rapidly accumulating is a problem of considerable moment at present in the United States. At the last session of Congress it was proposed to appropriate \$100,000,000 to build a Navy and it is now recommended to expend \$75,000,000 for the protection of American seaport cities. \$175,000,000 should surely reduce that surplus.

ONTARIO County Council voted Port Perry a remission of the village County rate for 1884, owing to the heavy losses sustained recently by fire. The sum is not large, but the Council could not see its way clear to give direct aid, believing it would establish a bad precedent.

IN United States naval circles, there is much discussion as to what the Government intends doing with the Greely relief ships. As regards the "Alert" the British Government gave the Alert to the United States absolutely for the humane purpose of prosecuting the search for Greely and his party, without any probable expectation that the relief would be so immediately successful as it was. Opinion is very much divided whether it would, under these circumstances, be becoming to keep the valuable property or to return it with a gracious expression of thanks for the favor. Such a course is not the usual one with the United States, however, and we suppose this also will go to swell the list of little trifles held by the U. S., which by the laws of honor and justice should be returned to Great Britain.

Woodville School Report.

THE following is the standing of pupils in each class for work done during the month of October.

SENIOR DIVISION.

4TH CLASS. Senior—Mary E. Campbell, Tena Smith, Tena Carmichael, Florence Pattison, Wm. Campbell, Colin Campbell.

3RD CLASS. Senior—Lezie McRae, Gregor Campbell, Mary Campbell, Dan Carmichael, Lovisa Cameron, Dugald Carmichael, Ellen Campbell, Edgar Edwards.

2ND CLASS. Senior—Lillie Pattison, Jessie McSweeney, K. McDuffie and Margery McPherson equal, K. Campbell, D. Campbell, Lizzie Clark, Katie Slattery and Sarah Campbell equal.

JUNIOR DIVISION.

SECOND CLASS.—Annie McLean, 94; Thomas Barnes, 83; Annie Adams, 78; George Edwards, 78; Frank Anderson, 71; Christie Ferguson, 69; Wilfred Coal, 69; John Campbell, 58; John McDuffie, 55; Emanuel Parsons, 54; Florence Berrie, 52; Lizzie Anderson, 51.

FIRST CLASS. Senior—Barbara McDuffie, 96; Barbara McBrine, 93; Alice Campbell, 92; Jane Cameron, 86; Archie Ferguson, 81; Willie Grant, 80; George Smith, 80; Earnest Edwards, 78; James Davis, 78; Mary E. Smith, 75; Annie Adams, 73; John Anderson, 70; Willie Jack, 69; B. Anderson, 68; John McKay, 61; James Black, 58.

FIRST CLASS. Junior—Andy McArthur, 62; Thomas McLean, 59; Willie Stoddart, 58; James Parsons, 57; Mary McLean, 54; Louisa Elson, 53; David Anderson, 50; Annie Campbell, 47; Agnes Baldwin, 45; Mary Carmichael, 44; Archie McDuffie, 42; George Heppenthal, 42.

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THE St. Mary's "Journal" and "Argus" says: "The St. Mary's Carriage Manufacturing Company not having sold the whole 100,000 shares or had full returns from agents have deemed it advisable to postpone the division of profits, amounting to \$106,000 to Wednesday, December 31st, 1884, when the same will positively take place. Shares are \$2.00 each, and can be secured from H. A. L. White, Secretary, St. Mary's Ont."

A Wise Conclusion.

If you have vainly tried many remedies for rheumatism, it will be a wise conclusion to try Hagar's Yellow Oil. It cures all painful diseases when other medicines fail.

Mr. Peter Vermett, Hochlega, P. Q., writes: "Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil cured me of Rheumatism, after I tried many medicines to no purpose. It is a good medicine." Just think of it—you can relieve the twinges of rheumatism, or the most painful attack of neuralgia—you can check a cold, and heat bruised or broken skin, with a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, costing only twenty-five cents.

Have you tried Holloway's Corn Cure? It has no equal for removing these troublesome excrescences.

Sure to Conquer.

The most troublesome cough is sure to yield if timely treated with Hagar's Cough Remedy. It is a good medicine.

Woodville Local News.

LATELY the small boy element of the village appears to be rampant. Every night we hear of fresh freaks of disturbance and annoyance and frequently such snares are set that it is simply wonderful serious accidents have not happened. On Saturday night wires were stretched tightly across the sidewalk west of the Queen's Hotel and a few inches from the ground, evidently to throw down those who might run against it. Another nuisance is the number of boys and we might almost say men who are in the habit of collecting at night at the post office, and its vicinity, and indulging in such hooting and yelling as to frighten female pedestrians from the street. We observe many of those who figure in this nuisance are mere children who are certainly out of place on the streets at such hours, and whose parents can have but little interest in their welfare when permitting them to roam about at such a time. The council have appointed a village constable and we call on him to do his duty in this connection.

AN exchange mentions, as the simplest remedy for worms in cattle, sheep and hogs, turpentine mixed with a little feed or given in linseed oil for grain; two ounces for a cow and one-fourth or less for smaller animals. Many old stockmen, especially horsemen, use wood ashes for this purpose, dusting a spoonful over their feed once or twice a week.

A large stock of Ladies Astrachan Mantles, Muffs, Caps, and Bowes, at very close prices at H. WILSON'S.

VILLAGE council will meet on Friday evening next.

MR. D. C. SMITH, the popular teacher of Islay school, has been re-engaged for the year at an advanced salary of \$425.00.

COAL GAS.—This is the season when coal stoves come into general use and when attending accidents from coal gas begin to be recorded. Parties should be careful to see that their self-feeders are properly adjusted before retiring and the windows slightly lowered to admit fresh air. The back damper leading to the stove-pipe should be turned down far enough to lessen the draught, but not enough to prevent the gas escaping. If these precautions are followed there will be few accidents from this cause, recorded.

A LIVE merchant who is a liberal advertiser says that, in these times, a man might as well attempt to shampoo an elephant with a thimbleful of soap as attempt to do business and ignore advertising.

HALLIBURTON village stands at a higher elevation than any other village or town in Ontario. It is nearly a thousand feet higher than the level of Lake Ontario. The results are to be found in the extraordinary salubrity of the village, owing to the bracing qualities of the atmosphere and the greater quantity of ozone. The Halliburton air is pure mountain air, and the visitors during the past summer who arrived there pale faced and languid, went away with roses in their cheeks and as robust as Swiss mountaineers.

ORLEANS Times says, Italians are arriving by the hundreds to work on the railroad north of Gravenhurst. Like John Chinaman, they are to a desirable class of settlers, being satisfied to live a day at a time, and then less than a Canadian would starve on. Last week a number of them were seen traveling our streets, with a piece of bread in one hand and a hank of tallow in the other, eating away with as much relish as if it was the first square meal they had, since they left their native land. They are happy.

MR. ARCH. McKERREL of Hartley, arrived home on Monday evening with the body of his brother, who was drowned on the 14th ult., at Peninsula Harbor, North Shore, Lake Superior. The drowning of an considerable suspicion of foul play. Deceased was a young man of very steady and industrious habits, and was known to be the possessor of a considerable sum of money but on finding the body but fifty dollars were found on his person, while a terrible gash as though inflicted by some heavy club or similar weapon was found in the back of his head. To supplement the suspicious circumstances Mr. McCarroll was given to understand at Sault Ste. Marie that murder had been committed, but that it would be quite impossible to do any thing in the matter owing to the lawless state of the country. This was found to be the case as a Coroner's inquest had not even been held. But for a letter found on his person addressed to his brother at Hartley, it is quite possible nothing would have been known as to the fate of the poor fellow, by his family.

A single trial of Dr. Henry Baxter's Mandrake Bitters will convince any one troubled with costiveness, torpid liver or any kindred diseases of their curative properties. They only cost 25 cents per bottle. Nov.-mo.

A correspondent of the Farm Journal tells how to pack butter to keep: Make good, firm butter and work the butter milk well out of it, then put into a stone jar a few pounds at a time and press down well with a wooden potato masher, being careful to leave no room for air to get in around the edge of the jar; leave two or three inches of space at the top of the jar, then lay a thick piece of muslin close over the butter, then fill in fine salt enough to fill the jar full, then tie the paper closely and cover on top with a slate or wooden cover and keep in a dry, cool place. I put some up in this way last August and September and used it last spring and it was eaten by good butter judges about the last of May and pronounced as good as fresh butter. I never wash butter, but try to keep it as clear of water as possible and do not like even any pickle about it.

WOODVILLE St. Andrew's Society will hold their annual meeting in "Spencer Hall," on the 14th inst., at 8 o'clock, p. m., all members are requested to attend.

The following are the names of the pupils from Woodville school, who obtained intermediate certificates at the examinations held at Oakwood: Mary Annis, Maggie Berrie and Nettie Clark.

AN Auction Sale will take place to-morrow (Friday), at 10 o'clock, of live stock and implements.

OCCASIONALLY something appears in print concerning the sex of eggs. On this point a poultry raiser claims that short eggs produce hen chickens and long eggs produce cocks.

Beaverton Local News.

SOME of our village talent assisted at the grand concert held at Brechin on Tuesday evening last.

BUSINESS dull. The open weather has induced a general return to fall work among farmers.

READ our clubbing offer in another column and send in your names at once. You will save money.

THE EXPRESS is clubbed with all the leading papers at reduced rates.

DIVISION Court sittings in Beaverton, on 20th inst.

NOW is the time to secure bargains in Wall Paper. We are clearing out stock at very low prices. John McKinnon, "Medical Hall," Beaverton.

Do not suppose that because it is recommended for animals that Arnica and Oil Liniment is an offensive preparation. It will not stain clothing or the finest skin. Down's Elixir will cure any cough or cold, no matter how long standing. Nov. mo.

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READ our list of club rates. Any of our readers or those who are not subscribers to this paper should send in their names and money at once and secure the balance of this year free. Leave money with any of our agents or send direct to ourselves. Mr. John McKinnon, Beaverton, or John C. Gilchrist, Woodville, will receive any subscriptions for this paper and grant receipts for the same.

WHERE, oh where, is the blushing candidate for municipal honors? We have not seen him as yet.

THE harvest thanksgiving services in St. Paul's church in this village were quite a success. Large congregations attended both services, and the offertory realized about \$10. The harvest decorations excelled in beauty, good taste and excellence of design, those of last year, and reflected credit on the clergyman's wife and the young ladies and boys and girls of the Sunday school, who lent their kind assistance for the service. Appropriate sermons were preached by the incumbent, the Rev. Geo. Love, M. A., morning and evening. A new altar rail, set up during the preceding week, gives a more finished appearance to the church, which hitherto had none and the inconvenience of which was much felt and complained about. This altar rail is composed of wood and iron, the top rail being of wood and the perpendicular support of iron, of an ecclesiastical device. When painted and gilded, for it is yet unfinished, it will be a piece of work highly creditable to our townsman, Mr. Smith, of the Beaverton foundry, who designed and made it. It was much admired, even in its unfinished state, on Sunday last. The lessons on Sunday evening were read by Mr. C. A. Patterson, one of the church wardens.—Cor.—Warner.

WHAT about a skating rink for the coming winter. Now is the time to prepare for it. If rightly taken in hand it may be made a source of much pleasure during the season.

ADVERTISE your stray animals in the EXPRESS. Those who harbor stray animals without advertising them can not collect anything from the owner when they are called for. Advertise them and you can collect expenses for keeping as well as for advertising them.

REV. BISHOP SWERTMAN, of Toronto held confirmation services on Sunday last in St. Paul's Church. Seven persons were presented for confirmation. The church was densely crowded to witness the impressive ceremony. The Bishop preached an eloquent sermon at morning service and gave an address during the evening.

WE understand steps are being taken to organize a cheese factory in the village. We have frequently called attention to the splendid opening this village offers for such an industry and we feel confident that if rightly managed it must result in a success.

As we anticipated the G. T. R., have repudiated all responsibility in the maintenance of the wharf at Beaverton. This, of course was to be expected, for when was the Grand Trunk Railway Co. known to concede its obligations without a struggle? and it could hardly be looked for in this. The following communication to our worthy Reeve, Mr. Alex. McRae, will be read with much interest by the people of Thorah. Was it for this that the people of the municipality gave the Midland Railway \$50,000, and that, at a time when the company was at its last gasp. Of course, all that was done at that time was done for their interests solely, it could not be expected the public interests required to be guarded and consequently, the railway having passed this town to the use for the wharf has passed with it, so far as the company is concerned, and also our specific agreement. However, we give the opinion of the company to the ratepayers for their earnest digestion:

PETERBOROUGH, Oct. 29th, 1884.

MR. ALEX. McRAE,
Reeve of Thorah,
Beaverton.

MY DEAR SIR,

Referring to the interview I had the honor of having with yourself and the Council of Thorah, and to copies of agreement concerning the wharf at Beaverton, which have been furnished me. I now beg to inform you that the matter has had the careful consideration of the officers of this company, and after the fullest inquiry we have been forced to the conclusion that there is no business to be obtained off Lake Simcoe, which would give the semblance of necessity for the maintenance of a railway wharf at that point, this is practically demonstrated by the fact that the wharf in question has been abandoned for several years. Under these circumstances we deemed it advisable to take legal opinion upon the question, and we are now informed by our solicitors, that this company is not legally bound to maintain a wharf which was originally constructed for the purpose of meeting trade requirements that no longer exist. In giving this notification I wish to add that the Grand Trunk Railway are desirous of fostering the interests of trade at Beaverton, as far as they can consistently do so. Thanking you for the courteous manner in which you have conducted these negotiations,

Yours Very Truly,
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- 21 lbs Bright Sugar \$1.00.
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