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REMOVED.

The FREE PRESS Printing Office has been removed from the building adjoining the Post Office to next door to the Methodist church.

This building has been express fitted up for us—several new windows have been put in; the partition which formerly divided the building into two rooms has been torn away, and many other conveniences have been added. We can now say, without doubt, that we have the most complete and convenient printing office in Halton county.

Subscribers who have been in the habit of calling for their paper at the old stand will please call for them at the new office.

We find superior facilities for the prompt execution of Book and Job Printing of any and every description, in the very best style of the art and at a reasonable price. Any person wishing to get printing done cannot do better than leave their orders at this office.

All our friends are invited to call and see us.

THE CEMETERY.

In last week's issue of the Free Press we called attention to the disgraceful state of affairs to which our village graveyard had been allowed to run, and also to the unhealthful nature of the present situation of the graveyard. We also recommended that the council should purchase a plot of ground of about five or six acres, outside the village corporation, to be used as a cemetery. A purchase for this purpose would ultimately be a paying speculation for the village, as it would be divided into lots, and these could be sold at a rate which would not only make up the price of the whole ground, but would enable the corporation to pay a sum to take care of the cemetery. Several places have been privately spoken of, but nothing of a definite character can be done until the Village Council again meets.

Acton has always been noted for its cleanliness; its neatness; the taste of its inhabitants, and many people have commented on the order which always prevailed here. But the cemetery has been overlooked. The Trustees of that ground who were appointed years ago, have, no doubt, made some sacrifices to secure even the existing state of things. But they have, without question, supposed that their duties in this direction ended years ago, and so the graveyard has been so much neglected, and it is a black spot on the history of the Village that such is the case. In this respect we are very far behind many of the villages of Ontario, nearly all of which have their cemeteries neatly and tastefully laid out, and it is a pleasure to visit them.

Whatever action is taken towards purchasing a new site will receive the hearty co-operation of all our citizens, as they express themselves disgusted with the present place of service as a burial ground.

—Pursued at McGarvin's.

Editorial Notes.

Guelph Shooting Case.

Hornbostel Committed to Stand Trial.

Miss Ryder Recounting.

On Monday morning the charge against Edward Hornbostel, a Pus-tilish farmer, for shooting with intent, and wounding, Miss Adele Ryder, was heard before Justice Magistrate Saunders, of Guelph. The Police Court was crowded, and much interest appeared to be manifested in the proceedings. The prisoner was supported by his wife, two little children, and a number of his wife's relatives. Anxiety was depicted on the prisoner's countenance as the case progressed. The investigation resulted in the prisoner being committed to stand trial.

Mr. A. H. Macdonald appeared as counsel for the prisoner.

Marin Cantwell sworn—He knew the prisoner Hornbostel, and met him in Guelph on Saturday week; Hornbostel offered to let him ride home with him; had several drinks at the hotel; and when they reached the Montreal Telegraph office, they stopped; shortly afterwards they spoke to Jax Ewing, Colman; just as they were getting in a cab he stepped up to them and addressing Cantwell asked what part of the town they had come from; Cantwell said "just from the post office"; he told them that was hardly possible, as the post office had been closed; Hornbostel spoke up and said they had come from Ward's hotel; he told them they must be mistaken, as he had seen them coming from the Elora Road; he invited them to walk down street as he wished to ask them a few questions; when between the drugstore and Risks, Hornbostel asked the witness to accompany him up the road as he had something to tell; they went up when the prisoner said "he knew what he was firing it was dark and he could not say who was in the wagon"; he and the prisoner then came down street, when constable Macdowell came up, and Hornbostel was arrested; he went along with the constable and prisoner.

Cross-examined by Mr. Macdonald—He did not know that Hornbostel had a revolver until he showed it to constable Macdowell; the witness had several drinks before he met the prisoner; he could not remember what streets he and the prisoner were on; he was not looking towards the prisoner when the shot was fired; did not see any one in the wagon; when they left Guelph's hotel, the prisoner wasn't drunk and wasn't sober; he did not pay much attention; and therefore could not tell.

Frederick Matthews sworn—He said that on Saturday, the 18th inst., he met James Ryder, Miss Ryder, and Miss Winslow, and got into their carriage.

The witness had several drinks before he met the prisoner; he could not remember what streets he and the prisoner were on; he was not looking towards the prisoner when the shot was fired; did not see any one in the wagon; when they left Guelph's hotel, the prisoner wasn't drunk and wasn't sober; he did not pay much attention; and therefore could not tell.

Cross-examined—The witness considered the men recovering from intoxication when the prisoner was arrested; prisoner said that he had received permission from a magistrate to carry a revolver when asked why he carried fire-arms against the law; the witness did not remember if prisoner stated he intended trading the revolver off.

Peter Dugdale, sworn—He said that on the evening of the 19th he had met the prisoner and another near Hatch's block, Elora Road; prisoner "spared to be under the influence of liquor; after passing the prisoners about fifty yards he heard a shot; he afterwards heard that Hornbostel had been arrested for shooting a girl, and it struck him at the time that it was the shot he had heard; that he had struck the girl.

Geo. Tanner, a little boy, was not examined.

Mr. Macdonald intimated that Jas. Fliggin might be called, but he did not think that he knew anything more about it.

Mr. Macdonald held that the evidence was entirely insufficient to convict.

The Magistrate stated that if he was trying the case would dismiss the prisoner, but he thought there was sufficient evidence to commit him to stand trial.

On the charge being read over the prisoner said:

"I don't know anything about the affair; I fetched a revolver in to town to trade it off."

Mr. Macdonald applied for bail.

The Magistrate stated he would not assume the responsibility of granting bail. If the Assizes were not on during the present week he would allow bail. No doubt the trial could not come off at the present assize, as Miss Ryder would not be in a condition to appear.

The several witnesses were then bound over to appear when called upon.—Mercury.

OUR NEW YORK LETTER.

(From our regular correspondent)

New York, Oct. 21, 1878.

The past has been a week of events—not one of those indefinitely dull "light days," as the French have it, adding one to seven with characteristic exaggeration, but full of high days and holidays, marshalling a succession of brilliant nights. And the weather, although unexpectedly warm, is in harmony with these gay hours, which, being among the first of the season, are all the more keenly appreciated. The problem, "What are the people doing?" they luck in town or not? has finally been definitely solved. You should have looked upon the horse-shoe winner, as the sign of its success,

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the court; he could not swear that the wound was made with a bullet; the reason he had probed the wound was because he was told that she was shot; the wound was star-shaped.

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