RSI AT - MORNING, Drc. 18, 1879.

unicipal matters should receive more consideration from the public than they usually do, but it should be directed in a proper channel. - It is - importative that efficient persons should be selected to disburse direct taxation, and we cannot too highly commend efforts made to secure such. At the same time local preferences sometimes llowed to sway the better and celmer judgment of the electors. gandidate will have his adherents and each oze must command a certain amount of respect from his admirers and supporters, it is therefore extremely bad taste for those in opposition to show an acromonious and bitter spirit. Especially should politics be ignored as the day, we are happy to say, is gone wheir any individual, be he Reeve or Councillor, can exert any more than a personal influence.

### A Hope for Peace.

THERE is one gleen of hope that the present condition of things in Europe will hot last much longer. Bismarck is reported as saying that the only way legaining permanent prosperity which lies open to Germany is in disarmament, but that it would be impossible for Germany to disarm unless a general agreement be entered into by all the Powers. Bismarck was the origitator of the policy which at present is pressing the life blood out of the first class Powers of . Europe, and when he acknowledges that it is the daly thing which at present hinders the brosperity of Germany, there is some hope of his attempting to come to some sgreement with the other Powers which will relieve them all from the heart burdens under which they are grosting. Germany, bowever, can well afford to abandon the was policy of her Chancellor now, as she has been the thief gainer by it.

### Acton Village Council.

Members present Mosses D. D.

Conneil met on Tuesday evening 9th jost, at 7.30 p. m. in Matthew's Hall pursuant to adjournment.

Christie . Reeve, D. Henderson, E. Nicklin, C. S Smith, and R. Adams. Mired by D. Henderson, reconded by R. Adams, that leave be granted to introduce a By Law to provide for the collection of statute labor tax in the Village of Acton, and that said By Law be now read a first time. Carned. Moved by C. S. Smith, seconded by D. Henderson, that leave be granted to: introduce a By Law to provide for the appointment of a Constable for the Village of Acton and that said By-Law Le now read a first time. Catried.

· Moved by C. S. Smith, seconded by E Noklin, that By Law to provide for Sintment of a Constable be now read second time and that the Council go with a committee of the whole on the sime. Carried. Mired by R. Adams, seconded by D. Henderson, that the report of the committee of the whole in By Law to

provide for appointing a Constable for the Village of Acton be concurred in Mrs. Haghes, and hat said By Low by now read a H. P. Moore, calary and stationery, 13.60. third time and passed and the seal of the Corporation attached thereof.

Mared by R. Adams, seconded by D. Henderson, that By Law No-to provide for collection of statute labor tax be now read a second time and that the Council go juto committee of the whole on the same. Carried.

Mered by D. Henderson, seconded by E Nicklin, that leave be granted to introlines a By-Liw for acquiring certa a lands by purchase for a Public Cemerry and that said By Law be now read | first time. Carried.

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the same. Carried .... by C.S. Smith, that the report of the committee of the whole on By Law for acquiring certain lands by purchase for sing a duet, "O Salutaris," in a pleasing

the fear 1878 has failed or ommitted to collect some part of the taxes for said year by the time appointed for return of roll. Be it therefore resolved that W. H. Storey and Samuel Moore bu and are hereby authorized to continue the levy and collection of the unpaid portion of such taxes in the munner and with the powers provided by law for the general levy and collection of taxes. Carried.

Moved by D. Henderson, seconded by R. Adams, that leave be granted to introduce a By-Lew to raise by way of loan the sum of nine hundred and fifty dollars to pay the purchase money of land purchased for a Public Cemetery for the Village of Acton and that said

The Finance Committee presented owner, the following report and recommended | 23-tf.

C. S. Smith, refund for taxes charged by mistake and paid by him on roll of Ed. Dynes, Bal, due en bridge con.,

Jan. Dewar, for consultation and advising re-constery, titles, drafts, Bylaws, &c. Reeve for charities,

Moved by D. Henderson, seconded by E. Nicklin, that the report of the Financo Committee be adopted. Car-

Moved by D. Henderson, seconded F E. Nicklin, that the By Lew to raise by way of loan the anm of nine hundred and fifty dollars to pay the purchase money of land purchased for a Public Cemetery for the Village of Acton, be now read a second time and that the council then go into committee of the whole on the same.

Moved by D. Henderson, seconded y C. S. Smith, that the Clerk publish the proposed By-Law to raise by way of loan, money for purchase of a Public Cemetery as required by statue. Car-

The Editor, while willing to open his colutans for the free discussion of all matters of public interest, dees not bold himseli in any way translable for the opinions of this corros ondents. Corres rondents are requested to be brief, to write legibly, and on one side of their paper only. All letters must be accomparted by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for publication, but as an evidence of good fulth

### Mr. McDermid's Challenge.

To the Editor of the Free Preu. Noticing in your valuable paper that

the friends of Mr. Hadden pestor Priceville Methodist Church recently presented him with a purse of \$25 in commemoration of having defeated Rev II. McDermid M. A. of Toronto in a discussion on christien baptism. may be allowed to suggest that possibly Rev. Mr. Hadden might be induced to let the Acton people witness another defeat of the same kind by having the discussion repeated in their midst. H McDermid is not only willing to suffer a similar defeat in Acton where he is well known, but he will contribute \$25 to Mr. Hadden's commemoration fund for a monument for the deed without obligating him to defeat anybody. Millinery, Manties, or Dress-But in all conscience he must not quit the field as in Priceville before finnish ing his agreement and betake himself to another house, where his opponent was not allowed to reply, and there A call is solicited. alone by the hour tell his disconsolate friends what wonders be had done or could do if he kad time. Will be come

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to Actou that's the question !

Board of Education. The Board of Trustees of Acton School Division met in Mr. Storey's office, on Monday evening, 8th inst., pursuant to adjournment. Present, Messra W. H. Storey in the chair, D. Henderson, S. Moore, M. Speight, and A. Lasby. Minutes of last meeting read and contirmed. Moved by M. Speight, seconded by A, Larby, that the size of holding the nomination and election Public School Trustees for the coming ear shall be Matthews' Hall, and that H. P. Moore be and is hereby appointed Reforming Officer, and that notice of said meeting be given by him at once.

Finance Committee report as follows :-T. Moore, saltry for Nov. & Dec. \$83.34 Miss Moore,

All of which they respectfully submitted, Moved by D. Henderson, seconded by M. Speight, that the above report be adopted. Carried. The Board then adjourned.

The Concert, under the auspices of the choir of the Methodist church here, and leadership of Prof. Harrington, of Guelph, held on Wednesday evening, 10th met., was, owing to the wet weather, but fairly attended. The programme was opened with the "Soldier's Chorus," in full chorus of twenty-five voices, accompanied by two organs and four brazes instruments, which was eplendidly rendered and well received. Mr. E. Powell rendered "The Old Gray King." and was loudly applauded. A quartette by Messrs. A. E. Matthews, J. C. Hill, A. E. Nicklin and E. H. Hutton, "The Knight's Farewell," was tolerably well rendered. The next piece was a trio, "Ye Shepherd's Tell Me," by Misses Watson and Nicklin, and Mr. A. E. Matthews, and was given in their usual good style. It was Moved by D. Henderson, seconded by C. S. Smith, that By Law for acquiring certain lands by purchase for a Public Cemetery be now read a daet by Misses Watson and McNair, an second time and that the council then intermission of five or ten minutes was indulged in. The s cond part of the pro-gramme was op ned with the anthem, "Jehovah's [rais:," in full chorus, which rea Public Cemetery be received and concurred in. Carried.

Moved by D. Henderson, seconded by C. S. Smith, that, whereas the collector for the Village of Acton for and Mr. E. Powell, then rendered "The Collector for the Village of Acton for and Mr. E. Powell, then rendered "The Collector for the Village of Acton for and Mr. E. Powell, then rendered "The Collector for the Village of Acton for and Mr. E. Powell, then rendered "The Collector for the Village of Acton for and Mr. E. Powell, then rendered "The Collector for the Village of Acton for and Mr. E. Powell, then rendered "The Collector for the Village of Acton for and Mr. E. Powell, then rendered "The Collector for the Village of Acton for and Mr. E. Powell, then rendered "The Fiebermen," with excellent taste. This

Fishermen," with excellent taste. This was followed by the closing piece, "Mighty Jehovah," full chorus, with brass instruments, and was received with unanimous applause. After the singing of the National Authem in which the audience joined, the meeting was dismissed. Prof. Harrington deserves credit for the manner in which he trained the choir for the concert, and we hope this will not be the last entertainment under his superintendence which our citizens will have the pleasure of attending. We understand a supper was provided for the singers, after the concert, but we were noted present to make a report.

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Megere B. & E. Nicklin would call the attention of all parties owing them for bread, that as the year is drawing to a close all accounts must be paid by Jan.
1st. B. & E. NICKLIN.

### DIG ASTRAY

Strayed from the premises of the subscriber, lot 29, con. 7. Nassagawaya, about 4 weeks ago, a black spotted sow, will weigh about 100 pounds. Any information respecting the above will be thankfully received by the owner. WM. NELLIES, Acton P. O. Nassagaweya, Dec. 15, 79.

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SALE OF LAND. The undersigned has been instructed by Mrs. Elizabeth Stewart, to sell by Public Auction, at Arnew's Hotel, Acton, on Saturday, 27th Dec. at 2 o'clock p.m., the westerly half of lot No. 31, in the 7th com, well watered- a branch of the Grand River | has never been equalled in Ontario. about 10 acres of good Cedar : the land is passing through it-and a spring creek with fall that could be used to drive machinery. There is on the place a good Log Dwelling House, and a number of fruit trees. Terms made known on day of sale, W. Hemstreet,

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BY-LAW NO.

A By-Law to raise by way of loan, the sum of Nine Hundred and Fifty Dollars, to pay the purchase money of land purchased for a Public Cemetery for the Village of Acton.

Whereas the Municipal Council of the Village of Acton bave purchased land for a public Cemetery from William Steele, at and for the price or sum bf-Nine Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

And whereas for the purpose of paying the purchase money of the mid land it will be necessary for the said Municipal Council, to raise the sum of Nine Hundred and Fifty. Dollars, in the manner hereinafter mentioned.

And whereas it will require the sum of One Hundred and Fourteen Dollars to be raised annually by special rate on the whole of the rateable property of the Village of Acton for paying the sail debt of Nine Hundred and Fifty Dollars as bereinafter mentioned

And whereas the amount of the whole rateable property of the said Village of Acton according to the last revised assessment roll of the said village is One Hundred and Thirty seven Thousand, Two Hundred and Fifty five Dollars. And whereas the amount of the existing debt of the said Village of Actor is Nil And whereas for paying the interest and creating an equal yearly sinking fund for paying the said sum of Nine Hundred and Fifty Dollars, it will require an equal, annual special rate of eighty three hundredths of a mill in the dollar, in addition to all rates to be levied in each year.

Boit therefore enacted by the Municipal Council of the Village of Acton, Ist. That's shall be lawful for the Reeve of the said Village of Acton to raise by way of toan, from any person or persone, body or hodies corporate, who may be willing to advance the same upon the credit of the debentures hereinafter mentioned, a sum of money not exceeding in the whole the sum of Nine Hundred and Fifty Dollars, and to cause the same to be paid into the hands of the Treaturer of the said Village for the purposes and with the object above

2nd. That it shall be lawful for the said Reeve to cause any number of De bentures to be made for such sums of money as may be required, not less than One Hundred Dollars each, and not exceeding in the whole amount the said sum of Nine Hundred and Fifty Dollars, and that the said Debentures shall be sealed with the seal of the said Village of Acton, and be signed by the said Reere, and countersigned by the Treasurer of the said Village.

3rd. That the said Debentures shall be made payable in twenty, years at furthest, from the day bereinsfier mentioned for this By law to take effect at the office of the Treasurer of the said Municipality, and shall have attached to them coupons for the payment of interest.

4th. That the said Debentures shall bear interest at and efter the rate of seven per cent per annum from the date thereof, which interest shall be payable annually on the first day of January in each year, at the office of the said

Tressurer of the Village of Acton. 5th. That for the purpose of forming a sinking fund for the payment of the said Debectures and the interest at the rate afore aid to become due thereon; an equal special rate of eighty three hundredths of one mill in the dollar, shall, in addition to all other rules be assessed, raised, levied and collected in each year upon all the rateable property in the said Village of Acton, during the

continuance of the said Debentures, or any of them. 6th. That this By-Law shall take effect and come into operation on the

Thirty-first day of January, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty. And be it further enacted by the said Municipal Council, that the votes of the electors of the said Village of Acton, on the above Br-Law, shall be taken between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon, and five o'clock in the afternoon, on Mouday the fifth day of January, A.D. 1880, in Matthews Hall, in the said Village, and that the Clerk of the Conneil shall sum up the number of the votes given for end against the said By Law, at the same place, on the tellowing day, at nine o'clock in the forenoon. And further that the time and place for the enpointment of persons to attend at the said summing up of the votes by the Clerks shall be at the Council Chamber, in said Village, at ten o'clock in the forenous, on the second day of January, A.D. 1880.

Take notice that the above is a true copy of a proposed By Law, which will be taken into consideration by the Council of this Municipality, after one month. from the first publication in the Acton FREE Press, the date of which first dublication was Thursday, the eleventh day of December. A.D. 1879. And that the votes of the electors of the said Municipality will be taken thereon in Matthews Hall, in the Village of Acton, on Monday, the fifth day of January,

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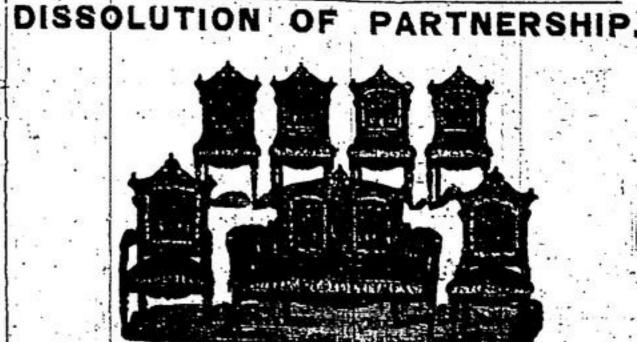
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