

COUNCIL FOR 1880.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION.

Speeches of Retiring and Elected Councilmen.

Last Year's Expenses, Cemetery, and other Matter Discussed.

The meeting for nomination of candidates for our Village Council for the ensuing year took place on Wednesday last.

The result of the nomination was satisfactory in every way, as the council was elected by acclamation, and our village is to be congratulated on being represented at the Council Board by such worthy men, as the following:

REEVE. D. HENDERSON, nominated by Messrs. Theo. Easton and Wm. Worden.

COUNCILLORS. W. H. STONEY, nominated by Messrs. C. S. Smith and D. Henderson.

C. S. SMITH, nominated by Messrs. D. D. Christie and D. Kennedy.

D. D. CHRISTIE, nominated by Messrs. J. A. Bern and S. Moore.

N. MCGARVIN, nominated by Messrs. T. Easton and D. Henderson.

When the time for nominating had expired Mr. J. E. McGarvin, clerk, read the names of those nominated, and declared the council for 1889 duly elected.

Our readers will see that the new council is composed entirely of competent men; all well versed in municipal matters; all hearty ratepayers; all men of influence at home and abroad.

Mr. Henderson will make a good Reeve, and from his extensive knowledge of all matters required for that office, we do not hesitate in saying he will make one of Acton's most successful Reeves.

Then he is supported by a staff of worthy men—three ex-Reeves and a councillor who for a number of years has sat at the board.

We think that this village has the most competent men this year as councillors that ever had, and no doubt the business of the village will be promptly attended to, and every interest will be looked after.

THE COUNCILLORS' SPEECHES. Mr. Christie, ex-reeve, first occupied the platform, he referred especially to the harmonious manner in which the business of the village has been carried on by the retiring council.

He had resigned from the Reevership because on account of business he would be absent from the village a great deal and could not attend to the office as it should be.

Nothing of importance had been done at the County Council, but he was present at each meeting, and expressed his opinions on all subjects that were discussed.

When he took office the Collector's Rolls for 1877 and 1878 had not been handed in, but during the year both these Rolls had been returned as well as Roll for 1879 and now the collectable taxes of the village are in the hands of the Treasurer, and the village instead of being in debt, has a goodly sum to its credit after every account has been settled.

He then read statistics showing that there was \$2087, on hand, out of which \$849 was for school purposes and \$419 of Clergy Reserves had to be taken, which would leave \$819, for repairs and improvements in the village for next year.

We then referred to the cemetery question and discussed the whole matter, from its first agitation through those columns until now, and the council endorsed the action of the council in arranging for the purchase of \$950, 19 acres of land from Mr. Steele in a plot for a new cemetery.

Although the property is now under lease for four years, he understood from the lessee that arrangements can be made so that immediate possession will be given.

He thought future generations would be thankful to the retiring council, and the other prominent citizens who instigated and so far have carried out the project.

He then thanked the electors for kindness shown him, and honors bestowed upon him during his residence of seven years in Acton, (cheers).

D. HENDERSON, ex-councillor for 1879, and Reeve-elect for 1880, then thanked the electors for the honor he had received, and hoped to merit the trust bestowed on him.

He referred to the efficient councilmen that had been elected, and thought his official duties would be lightened thereby.

As chairman of Finance Committee for 1879 he read a report of the disbursements for the past year; and explained several slight increases in salaries of officers, and also the investment of the Clergy Reserve, which has been disposed of for six years at 8 per cent on good farm security.

He said there was no use referring to actions of the retiring council as the Free Press had gratuitously reported each meeting and observing electors would find record in this journal.

Again thanking the electors for honor bestowed, and hoping for a harmonious council for 1880 he resumed his seat.

C. S. SMITH, an old and new councillor was then called on. As chairman of Street and Sidewalk Committee he furnished a list of expenses of that committee, which amounted to \$115.

He thanked the electors for the honors bestowed on him.

B. ADAMS, a retiring councillor had not much to say. He had not done much, but had looked on, much pleased that the other councillors managed things so well.

E. NICKLIN, a member of the council for 1879 was glad the new council was elected by acclamation.

W. H. STONEY, a newly elected councillor, was pleased to see the unanimity of feeling that exists throughout the village, as manifested by this election by acclamation.

He had no pirations as a village official, but if he could be of service and promote the

well-being of Acton, gladly would he do so. With regard to the cemetery question, he might claim to be father of the project, and of course was a hearty supporter of it.

The present dilapidated condition of the old cemetery with other matters in connection therewith were referred to, and the necessity of a new site being purchased was then explained.

He mentioned that he had received several offers from other towns, where he would have increased shipping facilities as well as other advantages to move his establishment there, but his interests were in Acton.

He had spoken privately to the Reeve of this matter, and he understood there was a project on foot to exempt his business from taxation for a term of years, but unless it was done before the new council received power it would not be done while he was a member of that board, as he did not wish the people to think he had accepted office to further his own interests.

In accepting office the welfare of the Village was at his heart, and where he failed to advocate what was for the general good it would be an error of judgment not to lack of will.

De MCGARVIN had no intentions of officiating until Saturday night, when a number of friends pressed him to accept the office, and even then he had not had a great deal of interest in the new cemetery project, he would have refused the honor.

He commended the plot that had been selected, and hoped the ratepayers would ratify the purchase at the polls next Monday.

Although there was somewhat of an outlay in the purchase, he was satisfied the village would be repaid in the sale of lots. He could not congratulate the electors when they chose him, but thanking them for the honor received, would ever guard the interests of the village.

Several persons referred to the proposed exemption from taxation to be given Mr. Stoney's business, all speaking in favor of it, after which Mr. Stoney explained the disadvantages he had in Acton from express, insurance, etc., and which in larger places would put cash in his pocket.

Mr. R. LITTLE was then called on. He had taken great interest in the cemetery, and thinks it of the greatest importance to have a decent place in which to bury the dead.

He then showed how cemeteries, under the care of trustees, as our old one is, are not properly looked after, while if they are cared for by municipal authority, it is quite the reverse.

Instead of having purchased too much land he was of opinion the error was the reverse, and by 1890 it would seem too small.

He congratulated his fellow-electors on the unanimity and judicious selections that had been made for the new council.

The meeting was announced closed, and the clerk gave notice that on Monday next the polls would be open to receive votes for or against the proposed purchase for the cemetery.

AGED PEOPLE. To pass from poverty to wealth is only changing misery, but to pass from illness to health is like flying from this world to paradise.

Many aged people who are troubled with derangements of the urinary organs would find relief by using Victoria's Buchu and Uva Ursi, which is prepared expressly to meet their cases and cure diseases of the secretory system. \$1 per bottle.

While you live, LIVE WELL.

J. T. EASTON, BAKER, ACTON.

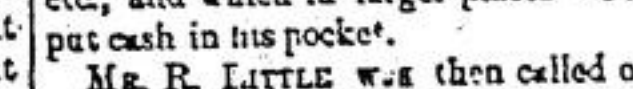
I would respectfully thank my numerous customers in Acton and the surrounding country and villages for the bountiful patronage they have bestowed on me since I started my bakery business in the well known stand almost opposite Hill's grocery store, and besides offering my thanks I would solicit a continuance of their esteemed patronage.

In the future, as in the past, my BREAD WILL BE SECOND TO NONE.

while my supply of BUNS AND CAKES are unequalled.

RAILROAD Cakes & SPECIALTY. Orders for Picnics, Tenmeals, or Social Gatherings, Promptly and Cheaply executed on short notice.

J. T. EASTON.



LIVERY STABLES.

SALE & BOARD. MILL STREET, ACTON is where you can get

First-class Rigs, AT REASONABLE RATES.

Good Commercial Rigs.

An Express Delivery Wagon will meet each express train and deliver goods to any part of the town.

All parties indebted to this establishment are requested to pay up without further delay, and save costs.

Ed. Matthews, Proprietor.

IF YOU WANT New Year's Pres-

ents which are sure to please

the children, and which are sold

Cheaper than else-

B. HASLETT

WOULD ANNOUNCE TO THE CITIZENS of Acton and vicinity that he has just opened in his new premises

Well selected stock of

DRY GOODS,

GROCERIES,

CROCKERY

& GLASSWARE.

And that he is prepared to sell at the most reasonable prices, for cash, and would respectfully solicit a share of their patronage.

COUNTRY PRODUCE TAKEN IN EXCHANGE.

Remember the NEW STORE.

Mill St., East, Acton.

B. HASLETT.

Acton, Dec. 25th, 1888.

Furniture, Furniture.

Feeling that as no selection of Furniture was kept in town, and that it is always required, I have purchased a stock of the various lines required, and am prepared to sell at the most reasonable prices. Parties wanting anything in that line give him a call and be convinced that they can purchase Furniture as cheap in Acton as can be procured in Guelph or Georgetown.

UNDERTAKING.

All funerals in this department conducted as usual, and a first class hearse furnished when required.

NOTE.—All parties indebted to me by either note or to a receipt, will please call and settle at once, as I intend to close my books on the 1st of Jan.

JOHN SPIGHT.

Cor. Willow & Agate Sts., Acton, Ont.

STOVES! STOVES!

CHEAP.

AT J. C. HILL'S.

A Large Stock of all kinds of STOVES just received—manufactured of the best quality of Iron—The Great British and the most handsome Stove in the market.

COOK STOVES of all sizes at the very lowest prices.

A well selected stock of TIN WARE, ALWAYS ON HAND.

SAVES TRAVELING & ORDERED WORK ARE SPECIALTIES, and will be executed on the shortest notice.

COAL OIL, a good stock of superior quality, cheap.

COME AND SEE FOR YOURSELVES. September 10th, 1877. J. C. HILL.

"EXCELSIOR" BAKERY.

B. & E. NICKLIN

take this opportunity of thanking their friends and patrons for their very liberal support in the past, and trust that they will continue it. We have always on hand a full supply of

Bread, Cakes, Buns, PASTRY, CONFECTIONERY,

Fruits, Canned Fish, Oatmeal, Cornmeal, Graham and Buckwheat Flour, &c., &c., all of which we are prepared to sell at BOTTOM PRICES FOR CASH.

In connection with the Bakery we have just opened an

Oyster Parlor, and will serve oysters in every style. We have also constantly on hand a stock of oysters in both can and bulk, cheap.

N. E.—Oyster Suppers supplied at shortest notice, and Wedding Cakes made to order.

B. & E. Nicklin.

GRAY'S SPECIFIC MEDICINE.

TRADE MARK. The Great English Remedy for all the ailments of the human system. It is a powerful and safe medicine, and is sold in every part of the world.

Before taking Gray's Specific Medicine, please read the following directions: It is a powerful and safe medicine, and is sold in every part of the world.

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THAT WONDERFUL MAN

A GRAND OPPORTUNITY.

We would invite the attention of the Ladies of Acton and surrounding country to the fact that on the 18th Day of December we will commence a "Special Sale" of

SILKS AND DRESS GOODS.

AT SPECIAL PRICES.

Before the recent advance in SILKS, our buyer, who was then in the European Markets, bought very heavily, so that on the 18th we will offer about

5000 Yards Black Dress Silks, 4384 Yards Colored Dress Silks,

At prices that must effect a speedy clearance of the whole lot.

We would not go to the expense of advertising in papers out of our own city, unless we had something to offer that would at once command the attention of every purchaser, and we assure the people of this vicinity that this opportunity for purchasing an elegant and durable Dress has never been equalled in Ontario.

DURING THIS SALE we guarantee a saving for our patrons of two dollars in every ten.

FACTS FOR THE PEOPLE.

Black Dress Silks, 72c, 83c, 96c, \$1.08, \$1.19, \$1.35. Colored Dress Silks, 50c, 62c, 70c, 78c, 80c, \$1.00. Colored Persian Corsets, 12c. Tweed Suitings, 10c.—half price. Between Cloths, 20c.—Beautiful Goods. Best Materials, 26c, 32, and 44c.

Every Piece at above prices Guaranteed. These Prices CANNOT BE BEATEN in Toronto or Hamilton.

Although this sale is confined especially to Silks and Dress Goods, we would say that we hold the

Largest Handsomest and Cheapest stock of Fur in this part of the country.

LADIES, visit this sale and be convinced that JOHN HOGG & SON Sell the best goods in Guelph at the cheapest prices.

Sign of the Golden Man, JOHN HOGG & SON. WYNDHAM ST., GUELPH.

C. W. Hill Photographer - ACTON, ONT. - Has just received a stock of goods suitable for the Holiday trade.

Attention! Attention!! Genuine Harper's Banar Panters, full suits, only 25 cents.

STRAW AND FELT HATS AND BONNETS DONE OVER IN ALL THE LATEST STYLES.

MRS. E. H. PASS WISHES TO INFORM the ladies of Acton and vicinity that she has lately learned the French method of Cutting and Fitting, and is now prepared to give even Greater Satisfaction than Formerly.

Wedding and funeral dresses, combinations, Dresses and Jackets cut and a perfect fit guaranteed at a reasonable price. For stylish and cheap hats and bonnets call on

MRS. E. H. PASS, St. George's Square, Guelph.

BARGAINS AT HOME.

Owing to a change in the management of the business, about to take place

Craine & Son Have decided to rush their stock of BOOTS and SHOES for the next month or two at Cost Price and under. Come at once and secure Bargains.

Note.—Parties indebted to the above firm will kindly call and pay up their accounts, as a change will take place about the 1st of October and we must have all accounts settled by that date.

8 17 CRAINE & SON.

W. WILLIAMS WOULD RESPECTFULLY invite to the people of Acton and vicinity that he has opened a Boot & Shoe Shop in the building opposite W. H. Storey's Glove Works, on MILL STREET, ACTON.

Any one in want of a substantial and good fitting BOOT OR SHOE, should not fail to leave their order at his stand, Repairing a Specialty and promptly attended to.

W. WILLIAMS. Acton, Sept. 24, 1879.

CHARLES CAMERON, Main St., Acton. Agent for the Bell Organ, manufactured by Messrs. W. Bell & Co., Guelph. Orders left at his residence will receive prompt attention. For particulars see adv. on other side. Give him a trial.

CHAR. CAMERON, Dec. 10, 79, 24-3m.

BY-LAW NO. 76.

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 have purchased land for a public Cemetery from William Steele, and for the price or sum of Nine Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

And whereas for the purpose of paying the purchase money of the said 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 said debt of Nine Hundred and Fifty Dollars as hereinafter 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 Acton 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.

Be it therefore enacted by the Municipal Council of the Village of Acton, that it shall be lawful for the Reeve of the said Village of Acton to raise by way of loan, from any person or persons, body or bodies 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 Treasurer of the said Village for the purposes aforesaid with the object above recited.

2nd. That it shall be lawful for the said Reeve to cause any number of Debentures 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 Reeve, and countersigned by the Treasurer of the said Village.

3rd. That the said Debentures shall be made payable in twenty years, as follows, from the day hereinafter 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 after 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 Treasurer of the Village of Acton.

5th. That for the purpose of forming a sinking fund for the payment of the said Debentures and the interest at the rate aforesaid to become due thereon, an equal special rate of eighty-three hundredths of one mill in the dollar, shall, in addition to all other rates 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 Thirtieth 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 By-Law, shall be taken between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon, and five o'clock in the afternoon, on Monday the fifth day of January, A.D. 1880, in Matthews Hall, in the said Village, and that the Clerk of the Council shall sum up the number of the votes given for and against the said By-Law, at the same place, on the following day, at nine o'clock in the forenoon. And further that the time and place for the appointment of persons to attend at the said summing up of the