

#### Acton Church Directory.

Methodist Church of Canada.—Rev. Mr. C. W. Pritchard, pastor, m. and s. at Acton. Sunday School service and on Thursday evening at 8 p.m., Sabbath School at 7 p.m.; Intermissions, General Meeting, 8 p.m.; Prayer Meeting, Saturday evening 7 p.m.; Little Class, Friday evening 8 p.m.; Mrs. H. Towne, Pastor.

Services.—Sunday, Preaching at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Services immediately after Sunday Morning Service. Sabbath School at 8 a.m.

H. D. R. CARMERSON, Pastor  
CONGREGATIONAL.  
METHODIST SCHOOL AT 8 A.M.—Prayer Meeting on Wednesday evening at 8 p.m.  
TICKETS OF EXCUSE.  
REV. G. R. LEX, Incumbent  
METHODIST.—Preaching at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. Services—Prayer Meeting at 8 p.m.  
METHODIST CHURCH.  
One mile north of Corporation on Main St.  
SERVICES.—Sundays, Preaching at 11 a.m. Sabbath School at 8 a.m.

CATHOLIC.  
One mile south of Corporation on Main St.  
SERVICES.—Fourth Sunday in each month at 10 a.m. Sunday School at 8 a.m. every Sunday.  
Rev. Francis J. Corcoran.

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#### Trouble in the North-West.

Am I to have trouble with our Indians in the North-West? Captain Young, of the Customs Department, Winnipeg, who has just returned from an official visit to distant posts on the boundary, reports that cattle belonging to settlers have been killed by Blackfeet between Fort McLeod and Fort Walsh. Though the Indians are actually starving, they are too proud to fish in the lakes and ponds, which are said to be teeming with fish, but they are not too proud to steal the cattle of settlers. They can commit these thefts on horseback, and they consider it legitimate sport; but anything that requires the least unusual labor, your true Blackfeet disdain, and would sooner starve than kill anything on foot. If these depredations are allowed to continue, we shall not be at all surprised to hear that the settlers have taken the law into their own hands and have banded together for mutual protection. Should such a contingency arise, sanguinary warfare would be the result, and when it would end it is impossible to foretell, for were the hatchet once unburied, all the savage instincts of the Indian would be aroused, and it would take months, perhaps years, before those instincts could be again subdued.

#### Russia and the Jury.

The ABOLITION OF TRIAL BY JURY is contemplated in Russia at present. It has been found impossible to procure a verdict against the most notorious thief if any palliating circumstance can be adduced in his favor. A St. Petersburg correspondent says that the inclination to acquire has grown to be a perfect mania. Boys and women are declared innocent for no other reason than that they are not men, and are acquitted because they stood in need of what they stole. One instance is given in which a man stole some coins from a valuable numismatic collection, and, when arrested, confessed himself guilty, stating where the stolen property was concealed. At his trial he pleaded not guilty, and, in spite of the above facts, he was acquitted by jury, like all other institutions, depends entirely upon the people by whom it is administered.

#### Nassagaweya Councils.

The Municipality Council elect for the township of Nassagaweya met at the Council Chamber on Monday the 19th day of January in accordance with the statutes. The Clerk presented the certificates of their election, and all the elected being present signed their declarations and qualifications of office, and took their seats, viz.: John Kennedy, Reeve; James Menzies, Standard-bearer; Auditor, M. McMillan, Assessors, David Wheelihan, David Hutchison and Wm. Watson Councillors. The Reeve in the chair.

A By-Law was introduced and passed, for the appointment of certain township officers for the current year, viz.: James String and James Stancombe, Auditors; M. McMillan, Assessors, and Wm. Logie, Collector.

Mr. Hutchison Moved, seconded by Mr. Menzies, that the sum of \$15.00 be paid to T. J. Starrett, for printing 300 copies of Minutes, By-Laws and Accounts, and a further sum of \$3.50 for posters for the nomination and election of the Municipal Council. Carried.

It was ordered that the collector of this township be paid a salary of One Hundred Dollars per annum, for the collection of all taxes—school taxes included—By Law No. 2, for 1877 being amended accordingly.

It was ordered that the sum of One Dollar be refunded to each of the following named persons, being errors in assessing dogs, viz.: John McGibbon, James Mousgus, Joseph Holmes and Geo. Stong.

Mr. Menzies moved, seconded by Mr. Wheelihan, that Mrs. Allcock—a poor and indigent person—be paid the sum of Three Dollars per month, instead of two, as formerly.

On motion the board adjourned to meet on Monday the 9th day of February next, to receive the Auditor's report, and to pass a By-Law for the appointment of Overseers of Highways etc.

JOHN EASTERSBOOK, Tp. Clerk.

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#### Our Forests.

The timber limits of Canada are day by day being destroyed with lavish extravagance. Some authorities believe that in fifteen or twenty years the best of our timber limits will have disappeared. British Columbia may, indeed, furnish timber for a long time to come, but for available purposes her timber limits cannot be of as much service as those in our immediate neighborhood, Canada, destitute of timber, would be Canada ruined. And yet this contention stands in the face, and no vigorous effort has been made to check the waste under which our forests are passing away. The farmers cut down, out-they do not plant even for reforestation. They regard trees in every shape as barriers to their success, and they often unnecessarily clear patches that might with benefit be left standing. The lumbermen do as they please when in the woods, for supervision or punishment there is none. The lumbermen themselves will be the first sufferers from the scarcity of timber; and unless Parliament takes measures to protect the timber limits from total destruction we may expect in a few years to hear that the end is approaching. Before twenty years other industries may arise which may in some measure replace the lumber trade, and provide for those who would be ruined by the collapse of their business source; but, if it ever comes to that, Canadian industry will receive a severe blow, and Parliament could not be better occupied than guarding against it.

#### Correspondence.

The Editor, while willing to open his columns for the free discussion of all matters of public interest, does not hold himself in any way responsible for the opinions of his correspondents. Correspondents are requested to be brief in their letters, and let them not be identified by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for publication, but for avoidance of good faith.

#### Bachelors Beware.

To the Editor of the Free Press.

DEAR SIR.—In your issue of last week appeared a letter from a young lady who says she "caught a bachelor," and advising them to beware of the fair sex during this eventful year (last year). Well, Mr. Editor, during the week I happened to overhear a certain conversation, and accidentally found out that one of the fair sex made good use of leap year in catching a bachelor, at d I at the same time made up my mind that this bachelor, would not be caught this year. Everybody knows—at least every young lady knows—that this is leap year. It was established for the express purpose of giving every unmarried lady in the land the opportunity of changing her condition in life by proposing wedlock with the beautiful young man of her choice. We shall not describe the exact locality or situation of the room, but we may say, in cedately that the partition was not so thick or so close fitting as partitions should be in such cases. She sat by the stove. He sat by the store. She on one side; he on the other. It was cold and dreary on her side; the current of air circulating amongst her drooping curls admonished her to seek shelter beside his manly form. Thus it came to pass, that they were chatting pleasantly side by side. "This is a dreary world," says she, "especially when one is not blessed with agreeable companions." Yet, says he, "How do you like living in Acton?" says she. "Oh! pretty well," says he, "but it's rather lonesome sometimes." "Well, you should go out more and get better acquainted," says she; you've led a bachelor's life long enough; I know lots of girls who would be glad to have you." "Is that so?" says he. "Yes, I wouldn't mind taking you myself," says she. "Why Dennis!" says he. Then the two chaire mysteriously moved closer together, and the conversation grew more affectionate. By-and-by there was a queer sound in the room, resembling the meeting of tulips. Fact! Mr. Editor, but please don't ask me for further particulars.

I am, yours truly,  
A BACHELOR WHO WON'T BE CAUGHT.

#### Rejoice in the Weather.

Always rejoice in the weather. If rains consider how the rains fill up the springs and the rivers, and makes water power for the manufacturers and work wages for those employed in them; and how much an ample supply of water to the comfort of all.

If it is warm in mid winter bear in mind, how much suffering it saves to those who have little or no fuel.

If it is cold, be grateful for the bracing to your nerves and the sharpening of your faculties which are derived from a clear air and low temperature.

Do not grumble about the weather. A chronic fault-finder about anything makes himself a bore and a nuisance.

Rejoice in the weather—even in the beautiful snow; though you are sick of the controversy relative to its authorship.

Be glad of the weather, whatever it is. God orders it, and he orders all things right.

Thought he had a Sure Thing.

The clerk who confessed, a week or two since, that he was a defaulter to his employer in the sum of eighteen hundred dollars, told just how he had been led astray.

He had speculated in stocks, "on the suggestion of a friend" whom he "thought reliable in Wall street matters."

Here is a warning to the young men of the day who are inclined to speculate in stocks, even with their own money. In almost all cases there is a "friend" on whom reliance is placed, and this "friend" generally turns out a snare and delusion; as in the instance of this young clerk, whose prospects for life are destroyed.

JOHN EASTERSBOOK, Tp. Clerk.

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#### Invitations.

Do you wish to gather flesh to acquire an appetite, to enjoy a regular habit of body, to obtain refreshing sleep, to feel and know that every fibre and tissue of your system is being braced and renovated? If so, commence at once and use the qualities wine, prepared by Northern Lyman, of Acton, which will feel the whole system invigorated and strengthened. It is a well-known fact that Quinine has been acknowledged by the medical faculty for many years as the best appetizer and tonic known. And for general debility, this combination will be found superior to all other preparations. And combined as it is with fine sherry wine an agreeable and pleasant invigoration to the whole system. The properties of Quinine are a diuretic, tonic and antiperiodic. Small doses, frequently repeated, strengthen the pulse, increase circulation, and invigorate the tone of the nerve system. The preparation of this medicine is, in general, safe and as an appetizer, it undergoes long and close observation, and it is believed it will never fail, if properly and judiciously administered, unless other diseases predominate of a different character. Persons of weak constitution may take it without the least difficulty, as it strengthens the stomach and digestive organs, and seldom require more than one or two bottles to effect a decided benefit, as it contains nothing injurious to the most delicate constitution. Remember to ask for the "Quinine Wine" prepared by Northrop & Lyman, Toronto, and we are sure you will be satisfied that you have full value for your money. Sold by G. E. Morrow, Acton, and all Medicine Dealers.

#### The Cradle.

HAMSHAW.—In Acton, on the 22nd inst., the wife of Mr. Thos. Hamshaw, & son McDonald.—In Enquiry, on the 19th inst., the wife of Mr. A. McDonald, of a son Stephen.—In Toronto, 47 King St. East, the wife of Mr. Wm. Stephenson, formerly of Acton, of a son.

#### The Axle.

MASSEY—MIDDLETON.—In Acton, on the 25th inst., by the Rev. R. Hobbs, Mr. James Byron Massey, to Mary, daughter of Thomas Middleton, Esq., all of Erin.

#### ACTON MARKET.

White Wheat . . . . . \$1.12 to 1.15

Red Chaff . . . . . 1.05 to 1.08

Oats . . . . . 30 to 35

Barley . . . . . 35 to 40

Ears per doz . . . . . 12 to 15

Bitter, dairy packed . . . . . 14 to 16

Bitter, rolls . . . . . 16 to 18

Potatoes per lug . . . . . 45 to 50

Apples per bag . . . . . 60 to 80

Sneakers . . . . . 50 to 75

Wool, per ewt . . . . . 60 to 80

Hay, per cart . . . . . 7 to 10

Straw, per load . . . . . 3 to 4

Wool . . . . . 18 to 20

Dressed Hogs . . . . . 75 to 25

#### GILPINE MARKET.

White Wheat . . . . . \$2.75 to 3.00

Red Chaff . . . . . 1.10 to 1.18

Oats . . . . . 1.16 to 1.18

Barley . . . . . 1.12 to 1.16

Wheat . . . . . 34 to 35

Pears . . . . . 23 to 25

Apples per bag . . . . . 45 to 55

Sneakers . . . . . 50 to 75

Wool, per ewt . . . . . 60 to 80

Hay, per cart . . . . . 7 to 10

Apples, per bag . . . . . 60 to 80

Wool . . . . . 18 to 20

Dressed Hogs . . . . . 50 to 75

#### W. WILLIAMS WOULD RESPECTFULLY CALL THE ATTENTION OF THE PEOPLE OF ACTON AND VICINITY THAT HE HAS RECENTLY OPENED IN THE BUILDINGS ON MILL STREET, ACTON.

ANY ONE IN WANT OF SUBSTANTIAL AND GOOD FITTING

#### BOOT OR SHOE.

ABOUT THE FRONT DOOR OF THE CONFESSIONERY, ACTON.

REPAIRING & SPECIALTY.

W. WILLIAMS.

Acton, Sept. 21, 1878.

#### CATARRH.

Catarrh's Yellow Oil combines in such an eminent degree all the curative and extracting qualities known to medical science, that it is truly a family medicine that cannot be dispensed with. When applied to any swelling, sore, burn, chilblain, frostbites, skin eruption, etc., its effects are magical. It is highly esteemed wherever known, and its enormous sale annually is the best certificate of its merits.

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