



GRAND STEAM TIME TABLE.	
Trains leave Acton as follows:	
Night Express	10:15 p.m.
Toronto mail	9:30 a.m.
Day Express	1:45 p.m.
Express	5:15 p.m.
Delayed	6:45 p.m.
GOING EAST.	
Night Express	4:15 a.m.
Galt mixed	9:45 a.m.
Day Express	11:30 a.m.
Western mail	1:45 p.m.
London mixed	9:30 p.m.

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THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 10, 1880.

Good Crops in Ireland.

It is gratifying to hear of prospects of a good season in Ireland. If the people take advantage of the favorable circumstances and leave distracting matters of State alone until the harvest is secured, there will likely be no demand for extensive charity next winter.

The Brown Memorial.

The Brown Memorial Committee has issued a circular asking for contributions to the proposed bronze statue of the late Hon. George Brown, to be erected in Queen's Park, Toronto. The cost of the work is estimated at from twenty to twenty-five thousand dollars. The circular says: "While contributions may be sent direct to the Treasurer, it is deemed desirable that local organizations should be formed to make collections in all parts of the country." We hope our friends in this neighborhood will take action in the matter at an early date, and assist the praiseworthy object of doing honor to the great statesman who has passed away. Any contributions sent to this office will be duly acknowledged and forwarded to the committee at Toronto, the officers of which are Mr. John Macdonald, Chairman; Mr. David Blair, Treasurer; and Mr. J. D. Elgar, Secretary.

Cable Telegraphy.

The sudden drop in the rate for cable messages from seventy five to twelve and a half cents a word has called public attention once more to the question of the cost of transatlantic telegraphy. When the first working cable was laid, the price fixed was a hundred dollars a word, but no business could be done at this figure, and the Anglo-American Company in their own interest reduced the tariff to fifty dollars. Reductions to twenty-five fifteen, and ten dollars rapidly followed, until at last it reached a dollar a word. It was fully expected that the laying of a new and independent cable by the Direct Company would result in a large reduction of rate, and so it did for a time, but eventually the Anglo-American swallowed up its rival, and the tariff reverted to seventy-five cents, where it has since remained. The present day is caused by the completion of a new competitor, the French Cable, which has been laid from Havre to St. Pierre, near Newfoundland, and from St. Pierre to Cape Cod. The tariff cannot reasonably be expected to remain long at twelve and a half cents.

**METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA.**  
**London Conference.**

The following appointments of ministers for the Guelph district of the Methodist Church of Canada was confirmed by the Conference on Tuesday last:—

Galt—John (Norfolk Street), William Williams.

Guelph—(Dublin Street), William J. Maxwell.

Elora—H. McLean, Samuel Fearn, superannuated.

Ponsonby—E. B. Stevenson, B. A. Ferguson—R. W. Wadell, B. D. Galt—Alfred Andrews.

Hespeler—F. Nugent.

Preston—Frank Swan.

Georgetown—W. Morton; Nelson Burns, M. A., left without a station at his own request.

Washington—Richard Hobbs.

Plattsburgh—E. H. Sanderson.

Berlin—W. J. Ford.

Elora—John W. Cholay.

Nassagawaya—John S. Fisher.

Acton—T. L. Wilkinson.

Rockwood—John W. Freeman, B. D. Erin—Isaac Crane.

Galt—J. Laird, J. H. Bennett.

T. Albert Moore, late of the Free Press, has been appointed on the London North circuit, as colleague of the Rev. W. Walsh.

Hanlan—Trickoff.

The Hanlan Trickoff articles were duly signed on Friday last. The race takes place on the fifteenth of November on the Thame, from Putney to Mortlake, for two hundred pounds a side, the championship of the world, and the Sportman trophy. Col. Shaw has posted fifty pounds on behalf of Hanlan. Everything has been amicably arranged to the satisfaction of all parties. Great interest is felt in the match.

Paris Green

**COUNTY COUNCIL.**

Council met pursuant to adjournment. The Warden in the chair. Members present—Mason, Buck, Clay, Clements, Chisholm, Henderson, Kuru, Lindsay, Mentzer, McElroy, McEvily, McLeod, Readhead, Robinson. Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

The Clerk read the following communications, from her Grace, the Duchess of Marlborough, acknowledging the receipt of £102 10s; from C. J. Campbell, Vice-President of the Halton Teachers' Association, from E. McCallum, Co. Treasurer, and from Wm. McKay, Co. Clerk of Co. Elgin; also read the Co. Treasurer's estimate of the amount necessary to be levied to provide for the expenses of the County for the current year, and for portion of 1881.

Council resolved itself into committee of the whole in the equalization of the assessment rolls of the different municipalities for the present year, Mr. Clements in the chair.

Lieut.-Col. Allatz & Capt. Switzer addressed the Council on the subject of a grant to the agricultural fund of the 2nd Battalion.

The sum of \$300 for the above purpose was voted.

The report of the committee on equalization was adopted.

Mr. Root, Little, P. S. T., addressed the Council on school matters.

It was decided that in case an appeal against the equalization of assessments is made, it shall be determined by the County Judge.

The usual by-laws to raise funds to meet the pledged indebtedness of the County were passed.

Council adjourned to meet on the first Tuesday in August.—Next.

REMEDY FOR HARD TIMES.

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A GREAT SUCCESS.—The Montie Star is a wonderful newspaper success. Its circulation has gone on increasing year after year until it has reached the front rank in Canadian Journalism. The circulation of its daily and weekly edition now aggregates fifty-five thousand copies, entitling the proprietors to claim the largest circulation in the Dominion, a claim which is not disputed by any other publisher. It consumes two tons of paper a day, being one half the product of a large paper mill. The Star circulates throughout the length and breadth of the Dominion and is recognized as a great advertising medium. It well deserves its success.

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