

### Aton Church Directory.

METHODIST CHURCH OF CANADA,  
ACTON, ONTARIO, Preaching 12 M., M.  
and 8 P.M. Classes after service every  
SCHOOL DAY. PREPARATION FOR  
SCHOOL. TUTORIAL WORK. VARIOUS  
WEEKDAYS evenings 8 P.M. VARIOUS  
TEACHING, ETC. H. C. WATKINS, CHA-  
IRMAN. R. G. BARKER, Pastor.  
CATHOLIC OF ENGLAND.  
Masses—Sunday, Preaching at 8 A.M.  
BAPTIST SCHOOL AT 8 A.M.  
Rev. J. D. CURRY, Incumbent.  
BAPTIST.  
Methodist—Sunday, Preaching at 11 A.M.  
and 6 P.M. Mr. McLELLAN, Preacher.  
Methodist—Sunday, Preaching at 10 A.M.  
Mr. McLELLAN, Preacher.  
CATHOLIC.  
One mile south west of Acton on Line St.  
St. Georges—Rev. Mr. McLELLAN, Priest.  
Our Lady of Lourdes—Rev. Mr. McLELLAN,  
Priest.

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#### Industries.

Other places are looking about them  
to find the best means for the estab-  
lishment and encouragement of manu-  
factories, and we trust the spirit of in-  
tegrity in the managers of this mun-  
icipality will not be allowed to die out.

#### War in the East.

Indications of war are again becom-  
ing visible in the East. Turkey is re-  
ported as actively preparing to con-  
duct hostilities with Greece. Troops,  
artillery and ammunition are being sent  
to Smyrna, Volo and Heraclea. Or-  
ders have been telegraphed to the  
provinces that recruits must be collect-  
ed and forwarded to the several depots  
with all available speed. The Alli-  
ances are being encouraged to prepare  
for resistance, and are being supplied  
with arms and ammunition.

#### The Scott Act Agitation in Hamilton.

The "Scott Act" agitation in the  
city of Hamilton, which has been in  
progress during the past few weeks,  
seems to be rapidly increasing in in-  
tensity, and the city is now in the  
throes of the conflict. A large number  
of speakers from other parts are ag-  
gregated in the work, and are address-  
ing immense audiences nearly every  
evening. Mr. E. King Dadds is the  
champion of the Licensed Victuallers  
Association, while Mr. Joseph Gilson,  
of Ingersoll, and Prof. G. E. Foster,  
of Fredericton, N.B., seem to be  
the chief advocates of the Act.

A peculiar feature of the struggle is  
that the churches, or rather the min-  
isters of the churches, are ranged in  
favor of the Act, while the press on  
both sides of politics are opposed to it.  
Nearly everything that can be said for  
and against prohibition has already  
found utterance, but there is a view of  
the Temperance question which we  
have not yet seen presented—a view  
we think, that really places it in a true  
light. If we look abroad on the  
various activities of life and take in the  
history of industry for the last twenty  
years we will find that the circle of in-  
temperance has been steadily narrowed  
—that the number of those who are  
addicted to the excessive use of stim-  
ulants has become less every year within  
the sphere embraced by occupations or  
trust. To be even known to drink is  
now a certain bar to some employ-  
ments. In every walk of life the sober  
man has an immeasurable advantage  
over him who drinks, and as we know  
that all such advantages tend to in-  
crease powers of survival, the temper-  
ate are driving the intemperate to the  
wall, thus gradually but surely bring-  
ing about the time when the sober will  
possess and control the earth. As a  
purely business consideration, there is  
no way a young man can begin the  
world with so much advantage as by  
being a teetotaller. Whatever talents  
he may possess are doubled in value  
therby, and the rewards of conduct  
are so immediate in early life that good  
habits are strengthened and sus-  
tained. Simple as this appears, it  
contains a truth that millions have not  
yet learned to appreciate. Transmitted  
instinct, imitation, custom, have still  
a very hard pressure on the will of  
whole masses of men, but if they were  
to consider the indubitable fact that  
they must perish or give place to those  
who practice self-restraint as a part of  
the business of life, they would be less  
slow to arrive at the conclusion here  
presented. As the circle of sobriety  
widens, it takes in all that is worth  
caring for in this world; those who  
persist in remaining outside must ac-  
cept the conditions of their choice.  
There is no alternative.

Paris Green

### THE CALLOWS.

#### Execution of Bennett.

At ten minutes to eight on Friday  
morning last, George Bennett, who on  
the 25th ult. last was convicted of the  
murder of the late Hon. George Brown,  
expired his curse on the gallows. The  
arrangements had been thoroughly  
completed, and the ceremony carried  
out without any of those terrible  
scuffles which too often occur to in-  
tensify the horror which must neces-  
sarily attend an execution. Death was  
carried out in due form, and in presence  
of a considerable number of spec-  
tators.

Bennett passed the right wall. According  
to his wish expressed on the  
previous night, he was called at 8 A.M.  
then dressed in a suit of black, and  
took particular pains in his toilet. At  
seven o'clock Fathers Bryan and She-  
arer, his spiritual advisers, visited him  
and his two sons from time till his  
execution, was passed in their society.  
The man maintained his quiet con-  
posure up to the last moment, declared  
his willingness to die, and accepted  
death as a punishment for his sins.  
He said he would die in the full hope  
of salvation.

The Committee on Streets and Sid-  
ewalks, to whom the tenders for street  
lamps were referred, report that the  
lamps were examined and found to  
be in good condition.

Moved by Dr. McGarvin, seconded  
by D. Clutton, that the report of  
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and laid, "Carried."

D. C. Robertson, Constable, sent in  
his resignation.

Moved by Dr. McGarvin, seconded  
by C. S. Smith, that the resignation of  
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accepted, and that the Reeve make pro-  
vision for the duties of Constable until  
another is formally appointed by this  
Council. Carried.

Moved by W. H. Storey, seconded by  
D. C. Smith, that the report of  
Committee on Streets and Sidewalks  
be adopted. Carried.

Moved by W. H. Storey, seconded by  
D. C. Smith, that the Report and D. C.  
McGarvin be a committee to confer  
with the Municipality of Esquinton re-  
specting the equalization of assessment  
of the Acton School Division. Carried.

Moved by W. H. Storey, seconded by  
D. C. Smith, that the additional sum of \$1 per month be paid to John  
McPhee until the end of the year. Carried.

Council adjourned to meet on Satur-  
day, 31st inst.

### Village Council.

The Municipal Council of the vil-  
lage of Acton met in the Council  
Chamber on Monday evening, 26th  
instant. Present—Mr. D. Headworth,  
Reeve, in the chair; Messrs. W. H.  
Storey, Dr. McGarvin, D. C. Christie,  
and C. S. Smith, Councillors.

Minutes of last meeting read and  
confirmed.

The Finance Committee brought in  
the following report and recommended  
the payment of the several accounts—

H. P. Moore, printing and advertising,  
\$12.95; D. C. Robertson, constable's  
fees to date, \$2.75; Peter McCann,  
scouting, 10c.; W. Warden, shovel-  
ing snow, 1879 and 1880, \$22.00;  
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### Nassagawaya Items.

From our own correspondents.

Mr. George Nuris, of Nassagawaya,  
met with a serious accident while driv-  
ing home from Guelph, on Monday  
afternoon. He had lost his buggy in  
the city for repairs, having borrowed  
one until his own should be repaired.  
While he had proceeded as far as the  
Ridge Hotel, on the York Road, the  
borrowed conveyance broke down,  
pitching Mr. Nuris very forcibly to  
the ground. Mr. King of the Ridge  
Hotel, on to the assistance of the  
injured man, who was in an uncon-  
scious condition. He was carried into  
the house, and respirators applied,  
which, however, did not have any im-  
mediate effect for a time. Towards  
evening the sufferer recovered con-  
sciousness, and though he experienced  
great pain from wounds in the head he  
was removed to his home.

The open meeting of Prospect Divi-  
sion Six of Temperance came off at pre-  
arranged hour, on Friday evening, in  
the Union Hall, Brookville. The  
chair was occupied by W. Player, E. G.  
D. G. W. P. Thomas Webster, F.  
Brownell, was present, as previously  
intimated, and gave an earnest address,  
full of facts, in favor of the Temperance  
movement. He spoke at some length on  
the "Scott Act," recommending it to  
our support. The audience was  
good, considering the late season of  
the year, and the order was all that  
could be desired, which speaks much in  
favor of the temperance sentiments of  
the vicinity. This lecture was followed  
by a few remarks from Mr. Fisher,  
Methodist minister, declaring that the  
responsibility of the license system  
rested upon the electors of the country.  
The meeting was brought to a close  
with prayer by Mr. McPherson, Pres-  
byterian minister.

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