

## THE FREE PRESS.

ACTON, TUESDAY, May 19, 1881.

### Cat Streets.

We think it would have a tendency to give the streets of our village a more dignified appearance in the evenings, and also make it less dangerous to pedestrians, if, by law, including the following, was passed by our village council:

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### Late Hours.

The law in San Francisco now is, that if a boy is found on the streets after nine o'clock he is to be arrested and fined. We would not like to see such a law carried out amongst ourselves, but think at the same time that if boys were compelled by their parents to be home at that hour it would be much better for all concerned. Boys learn enough evil during the day, but when permitted under cover of darkness to run the streets, they are almost certain to learn much more.

### The Governor-General.

The Marquis of Lorne receives \$50,000 a year salary as Governor-General of Canada. The Princess Louise has an annual grant of \$20,000. She received \$150,000 on her marriage, which brings in \$6,000 more, and with an allowance of about \$15,000 to the Marquis from his father, the Duke of Argyle, the couple have an annual income of about \$100,000. Strict economy is the rule at Rideau Hall, as it is at Windsor Castle.

### Prohibition in Kansas.

The effect of the prohibitory amendment in Kansas is, according to the Governor of the State, most gratifying to all who here the welfare of the people and the commonwealth at heart, while the immigration induced by the new order of things is of the class which builds up a nation. Before six months have passed there will not be an open bar in the State.—*Ec.*

### Acton Village Council.

The village council met in the Council Chamber on Tuesday evening, 17th inst., pursuant to adjournment. Members all present. Mr. C. S. Smith, in the chair.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Moved by Michael Speight, seconded by D. W. Campbell, that leave be granted to introduce a by-law to commute the statute labor of the village of Acton, for the purpose of constructing sidewalks in said village for the term of five years, and to appoint commissioners. Carried.

By-law read the required number of times and passed.

The Street and Sidewalk Committee recommended the extension of the sidewalk on Church street to Main street, thence to cross the south side of the street, thence to Guelph street, thence along Guelph street 60 feet until opposite the G. T. R. tank, and that the sidewalk recommended in last report to be built on Church street from Main to Willow streets be not constructed this year. Carried.

Moved by D. W. Campbell, seconded by M. Speight, that the third report of the Street and Sidewalk Committee be adopted. Carried.

Moved by W. H. Storey, seconded by D. W. Campbell, that the time for receiving plans and specifications for town hall and lock-up be extended to another week. Carried.

The Finance Committee presented their report and recommended that the following accounts be paid:

H. P. Moore, printing and advertising, \$5.46  
E. Dynes, work, .63  
H. B. Cook, maple trees, 17.25  
Total, \$29.08

Moved by W. H. Storey, seconded by D. W. Campbell, that the above report be adopted. Carried.

Moved by D. Henderson, seconded by D. W. Campbell, that the report of the Court of Revision for the township of Esquinton be held in the Council Chamber on Monday, the 6th day of June next, at 10 o'clock, a.m.—Carried.

Moved by W. H. Storey, seconded by D. Henderson, that tenders be invited up to the 25th inst., for lighting, extinguishing and properly cleaning the street lamps during the remainder of the year. Carried.

Moved by D. Henderson, seconded by W. H. Storey, that the council do now adjourn to meet again on the 28th inst., to confer with the council of Esquinton on school matters, as requested by said council. Carried.

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