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THE NEW YEAR.

1881 has long laid away in the quiet depths of the past, wherein live the best years of the centuries which have gone and gone since the time of the creation. Time rolls rapidly along—year succeeds year, and many utter "How quickly flies!"

At the beginning of the New Year many good promises and resolutions are made—often to be broken—and the year just entered upon is probably no exception to the general rule. In the turning over of a new leaf one need keep it clean, and does let it be a repetition of last year's, with little blot here and there scattered over the page. Let beauty dwell in the heart; have love for mankind; do unto others as you would be done by; and strive to make the world better and happier for your being in it.

YOUR PAPER, NO. 1832.

In choosing their newspapers for the coming year one readers should remember that none of the big city weeklies have the interests of the people of the County of Halton at heart. The local paper gives the local happenings and personal items in the County; reports of town, township and county council proceedings; of church, school, literary, agricultural, municipal, political and all other local meetings; of rifle and ploughmen's matches; of building operations, farm improvements and sales and purchases of stock throughout the district; of the local grain markets; of all the agricultural fairs; of local births, deaths and marriages; of properties for sale, of ancillary sales; together with the business announcements of all the live-enterprising merchants in the district, and which are of the utmost value in directing the public where they can get the best value in both buying and selling—all these and a hundred other interesting features are found exclusively in the local paper and make it intrinsically of far more value than a paper, however big, published away from home in some of the cities. Take THE FREE PRESS first, then as many outside papers as you want after.

THE MANITOBA FEVER.

Nearly everybody seems to be filled more or less with the Manitoba fever. Under its influence people migrate who never migrated before, and those who have always speculated now speculate more. Thousands are swarming into the Prairie Province, and though the influx has subsided somewhat with the advent of winter, here and there still doubtless witness a bigger rush than that of previous one. Speculation is engaged in by all classes, and fortunes are made in a month, in a week, in a day. The newspaper records the instances of departure of people anxious to try their fortunes in the North West, Edinboro, while the banks and post offices will bear testimony to the amount of money that is going up there for investment. But all this cannot last forever. There will be some time or sudden a collapse as there has been an extraordinary inflation, and things will sink down to their normal level, quicken, perhaps, shall be satisfying to many who have been going too largely into speculative ventures. But just at present the chances are that no one who has a little money and brains, goes up to the North West determined to do or die, will fail in the former, though it must also be added that the possibilities of having to accept the alternative are by no means remote. The water is terribly bad, domestic conveniences are sadly lacking; there is a great deal of malaria prevalent; in fact, the absence of many indispensable requisites to comfortable, healthful living is a marked characteristic of the settled country. So that if you have made up your mind to go to Manitoba, prepare to make a sacrifice not merely of comfort but probably also of that inestimable boon, good health.

Acton Village Council.

Council met in the Council Chamber on Tuesday evening, 3rd inst. Members all present. Reeve in the chair.

The Finance Committee presented their twentieth report, recommending payment of the following accounts:

Mr. Matthews, teaming gravel and carrying dirt, Stern's children; \$10.00
Mr. P. Moore, granite blocks and charcoal; 1.00

Total: \$14.00
Billed by D. W. Campbell, Woodcock

J. H. McGarvin's Drug Store for

Mr. Spright, that the Episcopalian be adopted. Carried.
Moved by D. W. Campbell, Seconded by Mr. Spright; that the jobs for town hall, or Mease, Vaute, Mallory & Mallory, be accepted. Carried.
Moved by Mr. Spright, seconded by D. W. Campbell, that this council adjourn. Carried.

THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

The civic elections on Monday did not create a very great deal of interest in town, owing, no doubt, to the fact that there were no candidates who were positively anxious for office. As the two had been elected by acclamation, the contest—if such it may be called—is confined to the candidates for councilors, and this matter being assumed to be an uniform shape since nomination day, very few election cards were found to express an opinion as to who would be the successful candidate.

The strangest and most remarkable feature in connection with the affair is the fact that out of the four candidates who announced themselves, in the last issue, in very strong terms as unwilling to accept their nomination, and asking the electors not to vote for them, three were elected, and the one who most strongly declined came out at the head of the poll. We are not present prepared to say what the result will be, but presume that if the three gentlemen in question were not for their strong objections to the office, as expressed in last issue, they will decline to act. However, our citizens will soon be made acquainted with their intentions; whatever they may be, and, in the event of their resigning, a new election will require to be held.

The following is a list of the candidates and the votes polled for each:

Divisions	No. 1.	No. 2.	TOTAL.
M. SPRIGHT	51	53	104
C. T. HILL	43	83	126
C. W. CAMPBELL	37	87	124
J. W. NICKLIN	37	88	125
B. HAMILTON	30	96	126
J. KENNEY	14	23	37

It seems Spright, Hill and Moore do not resign, the council for 1882 will be composed as follows:

REEVE.—C. S. Smith.

COUNCILLORS.—Mr. Spright, C. T. Hill, D. W. Campbell and James Moore.

Elections Elsewhere.

MILTON.—Mayor, one bothorn dated, having resigned. Reeve, J. E. Harrison, Councillors—G. A. Andrews, W. H. Macaulay, Thos. Lush, T. A. Mara, James Lindsay, Michael Conroy, Joseph Martin, John Johnson, John Reiper.

GEOGEORGETON.—Reeve, J. R. Barber, Councillors—W. J. Rose, M. D. G. H. Kennedy, Wm. Hardy, J. B. D'Yerf.

OAKVILLE.—Mayor, P. A. McDougall, reelected.

ESQUIMAU.—Reeve, W. Clay, First Deputy Reeve, John Warren, Second Deputy Reeve, Richard Graham, Councillors—D. Cook, D. Cross.

NASSAGAWETTA.—Deputy Reeve, D. Wheelman; Councillors—D. Hutchison, J. Norrish, and Peter Gould.

ERAMOSA.—Reeve, Thos. Waterhouse, Deputy Reeve, John Martree.

GUELPH.—Mayor, G. G. Sleeman, Alderman—Wm. Russell, E. O'Connor, Second Deputy Reeve, Richard Graham, Councillors—D. Cook, D. Cross.

CONFEDERATION.—Deputy Reeve, J. F. Stevenson, F. B. Skinner, Jas. Reid, John Hall, G. H. Skinner, Jas. Howie, S. Hodgson, J. A. Lamprey, M. Burns, F. Gauhan, T. Gowdy, G. Bruce, R. F. Mullock.

Board of Education.

The Board of Trustees of Acton School Division met in Matthews Hall on Monday evening, 2nd inst. Members all present. Mr. M. Spright in the chair.

Motions of last meeting read and confirmed.

The Finance Committee brought in their monthly report and recommended payment of the following accounts:

James Strode, lumber; \$1.81
H. E. Moore, half year salary; 20.00
Barclay, advertising debts; 2.00
Edw. Dynes, building fence; 90.98

Total: \$114.79

Moved by James Matthews, seconded by Alex. Lush, that the report of the Finance Committee be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Lowry, seconded by James Matthews, that the secretary be instructed to furnish R. Little, Esq., with a copy of the estimates laid before the village council, for 1881. Carried.

The board then adjourned.

Massachusetts News.

From our own correspondent.

Mr. Willis Durst installed a silver cut on his 1st lost white shopping bag, Friday. Dr. Wm. was called in and attended to the wound, and he is getting well.

Total: \$14.25

Billed by D. W. Campbell, Woodcock

J. H. McGarvin's Drug Store for

Purses, Albums, writing paper, en-

velopes, school

going as well as can be expected. Several accidents of the above kind have taken place in this neighborhood.

Mr. Somer, of Pinchbeck, offshoot of the Presbyterian church, has Scoliosis. The congregation has not engaged a pastor yet.

Mr. Culver, of Morristown, delivered a sermon in the Methodist church, Mifflintown Sunday, taking for his text, "Honour the Master," giving him the privilege of reading the lesson of the text.

Not take this opportunity of wishing the readers of the Free Press a happy new year and many returns of the same.

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From "The Times."

Editor of the Times.—The reverend department is quite valuable power is always ready to be used with great interest and I value the information received from it in knowledge told more than the small amount paid for the paper. One year ago you published a letter from Dr. John Bates, relating the wonderful success he had had in curing spines and joints with Kendall's Senna Cure, and his allusion to casting it more in his practice for several hours in ails arising from the success he always had with it. The above statements from my judgment a physician can give me great faith in it's efficacy, and as I had been afflicted for years with inflammation and hip joint trouble, so bad that I could hardly walk at times, I procured a bottle, and as it has completely cured me I wish to mention it to all the world as the most wonderful discovery ever made for the benefit of all those as well as for the poor horse, for which it was first used.

As this remedy must be of inestimable value to the world, I write this letter to express my thanks to you for ever mentioning it in your columns and to ask another letter in behalf of my fellow men who are afflicted in body, that you continue to make known to the world, the great value of Kendall's Senna cure for such as well as beast.

Hopefully yours, ARTHUR PARKER Rochester, N.Y., Sept. 1st, 1881.

VILLAGE OF ACTON DEBLINTON.

Senior timber will be received up to the 12th inst., for about \$600 worth of Village of Acton Adventures, drawing six per cent. interest. For particulars apply to C. H. SMITH, REVER.

Acton, Jan. 4th, 1881.

SHINGLE & STAVE TIMBER.

The unseasoned shingle and stave timber will be received up to the 12th inst., for about \$600 worth of Village of Acton Adventures, drawing six per cent. interest. For particulars apply to C. H. SMITH, REVER.

Acton, Jan. 3d, 1881.

BUSINESS BREVITIES

Some Facts about our Business Men and Citizens, of use to our general readers.

TIME-OF-ALL-KINDS

WANTED.

The unseasoned shingle and stave timber will be received up to the 12th inst., for about \$600 worth of Village of Acton Adventures, drawing six per cent. interest. For particulars apply to C. H. SMITH, REVER.

Acton, Dec. 19, 1881.

THE GREAT SALE OF BOOTS AND SHOES

AT THE CHEAPEST STORE

In the County

STILL CONTINUES.

The Whole Stock marked at the Lowest Possible Figures.

Call and Examine.

JAMES GOODALL,

Central—

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