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BITS OF BREVITY.

Showery weather this week. Action will "shut up shop" to-morrow. Harvest home picnics will now be in order. Remember the civic holiday to keep it locally. Oakville is celebrating her civic holiday to-day.

VILLAGE VARIETIES.

A collection of local news and other matters of special interest to our Village Readers.

A Good Figure. Mr. A. W. Green sold his carriage horse to a gentleman in Toronto last week for \$800 cash. This is a pretty big figure for an ordinary animal, but the buyer was perfectly satisfied with the price.

The Voters' List. The Voters' List for this municipality for 1882 shows 283 voters, -187 in Subdivision No. 1, and 106 in Subdivision No. 2. Last year there were 280 voters, 115 in each subdivision. This year there are 103 jurors.

Tying Animals Legs. We occasionally notice butchers and others driving through town with sheep tied by the legs and lying in the bottom of their waggon. This cruel practice is illegal and should be discontinued by those who indulge in it.

Secret Marriage. A secret wedding took place in Rockwood on Friday, an Acton young lady being one of the contracting parties. The parents of the young lady were unaware of the fact for several days afterwards, so Dame Goslap says.

Scott Act Violations. At the Scott Act trials held in Milton last week before P. M. Young, P. M. Zimmerman, hotel-keeper, of Burlington, was fined \$50.00 and costs for violation of the Scott Act. A number of other cases were adjourned and several were dismissed.

Again Removed. We are informed that Dr. N. McGarvin, formerly of this village, and late of Stratford, has purchased and taken possession of the practice of Dr. Aiken, of Clifford. We trust the Dr. is now permanently settled in a good paying practice, and we will be pleased to hear of his success.

The New School House. The new school house for School Section No. 12, situated a few yards outside of our corporation limits, is almost completed. It is well arranged and the work shows that it has been executed by skillful hands, by men who are a credit to their trade. The school will be opened some time in September.

Weeds. As the season advances the numerous weeds that escape destruction begin to ripen their seeds, and scatter them over a wide extent of territory. No time on the farm can be spent more profitably than that of gathering up the weeds before the seeds are ripe. A single hour with a scythe will destroy a great number.

Free of Old Buildings. The building belonging to Mr. Alex. Graet, which was burned on Saturday, was about the last of the first lot of buildings erected in Acton, and the village is now comparatively free of that class of old buildings which are generally found in towns and villages, and which greatly mar the otherwise good appearance of the place.

Far the North West. Mrs. John McConell left on Tuesday with her family for Manitoba, to join her husband, who went out last spring. We are informed that Mr. McConell has secured a farm of good size in a splendid locality and has very good prospects. The friends of the family wish them a safe journey and every success in their new home.

Business Change. Just as we go to press we are informed of a change in the management of one of the most important businesses in town, which is at once startling and unexpected. This is the fact that Messrs. R. E. Nelson and John McRae have purchased the stock and business of Messrs. Ch. I. Hender, Henderson & Co. We have not learned the particulars of the change, but further announcements will be made next week.

Narrow Escape. On Monday evening, about ten o'clock, the residence of Mr. Wm. Moore, near this village, narrowly escaped destruction by fire, caused through the explosion of a coal oil lamp. The lamp was standing on a bureau when it exploded, and the burning oil was scattered in all directions. A couple of the drawers were standing open, and in a moment the bureau was a mass of flames. Mr. Moore succeeded in quenching the fire with a heavy quilt, but the bureau and its contents were considerably damaged.

Wire! Fire! Fire! This most unwelcome alarm aroused our citizens last Saturday morning about three o'clock, when it was found that the vacant building on Main street, belonging to Mr. Alex. Graet, and until recently used as a shoe shop and residence, was in flames. The building was so nearly destroyed before being discovered that nothing could be done to save it, and the attention of citizens present was turned to the adjacent buildings, but the morning was very calm and little work was necessary. The building was one of the oldest in town and the loss is consequently small. We are informed that a quantity of shoemaker's tools and a cooking stove were burned. The fire was undoubtedly the work of an incendiary, as no fire had been in the building for several weeks.

Civic Holiday. Tomorrow has been proclaimed by the authorities, Acton's civic holiday. The youth, age and beauty of our enterprising little town will depict themselves in various ways conducive to pleasure, relaxation and health. There are numerous ways by which the day may be spent enjoyably. Among these we hear of a number of private picnics, boating parties, blackberrying excursions, &c. A friendly cricket match will be played between eleven of the members of Acton cricket club and a Berlin team, on the Acton club's new grounds in the driving park. A base ball match between the Acton Stars and the Georgetown Unapproachables will be played in Georgetown. Arrangements have been concluded by which those who wish to visit their friends in Toronto may do so at single fare. We trust our citizens will have favorable weather, and that nothing will occur to mar the day's enjoyment.

Great Banquet. The Acton Free Press is published in the County of Halton. The Scott Act is in force in that county and here is an item taken from the Standard paper: "Three snakes, each measuring about two feet six inches in length and correspondingly thick, were killed by one of our citizens, a short distance from the village, one day last week." We never did think much of the brand of whiskey they fish up in the Scott Act communities.—Ontario Record. The editor of the Record must have had a snaky experience with his whiskey some time. We were not aware that the mention of the one always suggested the other, but such it seems is the case with our friend of the Record.

Appointment. The many friends of Mr. W. G. Fee, of this town, Secretary of the Halton Branch of the Ontario Alliance, will be pleased to hear that he has been appointed Secretary of the Ontario Alliance. His headquarters, for the present at least, will be Milton. The Alliance has secured in Mr. Fee an able and efficient officer, an excellent organizing agent, and a man whose whole soul is devoted to the work.—Milton News.

Montserrat Lime Fruit Juice at J.E. McGarvin's Drug Store, Acton, Ont.

Canadian Shorthand Convention.

The first associated meeting of Shorthand Writers of Canada, irrespective of system and proficiency, will be held in Toronto on the 29th and 30th inst. The committee have prepared an elaborate and unique programme. Among the papers to be read is one by Mr. Wm. Houston, M.A., on "Fonetic Shorthand as an universal medium in writing and printing." Rev. Dr. Wild, Rev. Robt. Torrance, of Guelph, and other prominent shorthand writers and representative stenographers from New York, Buffalo, Chicago, Detroit, and other American cities will practice. Shorthand writers and learners will find the meetings very profitable.

Champagne and Cricket. The Mayor of Leeds, England, at the close of a cricket match lately, said he had been very greatly dissatisfied with the result of so many of the matches in which the Australians had been engaged in the country. He had strong convictions that the fault on the part of the English players was not far to seek, for there was evidently something wrong. The English cricketers did well in the morning, but after lunch, and champagne, and cigars, they fell away. Bat of the Australian eleven, seven or eight did not use either alcoholic drinks or cigars, and the other members were nearly as abstemious. As long as that difference existed between the teams, England would rank second. If the English wanted to occupy in cricket the position they ought to, the players must give up drink and tobacco.

The Dog Alliance. We have referred to this subject very often, but feeling that our citizens are imposed upon by the numbers of ownerless—when the assessor is going his rounds—cur, we would again request the council to grapple with the question and introduce a system by which the generally worthless canines would be considerably reduced in number. This, we think, could be effected by compelling owners of dogs to register them as attach tags, supplied by the corporation for the purpose, and all dogs found running at large on the streets of the village without tags being summarily disposed of. This would be a more in the right direction, and would surely meet with the approval of a great majority of the citizens. The number of useless dogs in the village is very great, and as no pretence is made to pay taxes on many of them, this appears to be the only means to stifle the nuisance.

Went's Stand Inspection. A few weeks ago we noted the fact that the stone work of the town hall in course of erection in this village had been condemned by the architect, and had to be re-built, and now the brick work, which is about half completed, has also been condemned on the back walls, is a disgrace to any workman, and the mortar used is very poor. Part of the back wall has been taken down and rebuilt, and we understand that the architect has left it to the option of the contractor to rebuild the whole, or to re-point all of the brickwork when completed, at his own expense. Our citizens thought the first lesson of rebuilding the stone work would have been sufficient to teach the contractor, but he is apparently bound to slight the specifications. One thing is certain this contractor needn't look for another job of any kind in Acton. Our council is not a hard lot of men to get along with, but they will insist upon having a public work, such as this, performed so as to be a satisfactory job.

Cricket Match. A match was played on the new cricket grounds in the Driving Park on Friday afternoon, between eleven chosen from members of the club. Messrs. J. E. McGarvin and J. B. Pearson were the captains, and Mr. McGarvin's team won the laurels. The players are picking up the game very nicely, and are showing better work with each practice. The score of Friday's match is as follows:—

McGarvin's Team, 1st Innings. J. E. McGarvin, b. Pearson 2; Geo. Hynds, b. Pearson 0; C. S. Smith, b. Pearson 4; Dr. Lowry, b. Pearson 4; J. Matthews, b. Pearson 3; W. Williams, b. Butler 4; C. H. Hill, b. Butler 3; H. P. Moore, b. Butler 4; T. McMacdon, c. Pyle, b. Butler 0; C. C. Speight, not out 0; T. H. Harding, not out 1; Wide 1; Total 30.

McGarvin's Team, 2nd Innings. J. E. McGarvin, run out 0; Geo. Hynds, c. Storey, b. Butler 0; C. S. Smith, b. Pearson 2; Dr. Lowry, b. Pearson 2; J. Matthews, b. Butler 8; W. Williams, c. Hill, b. Butler 0; C. H. Hill, b. Butler 0; T. H. Harding, b. Butler 1; Bye 1; Total 18.

Pearson's Team, 1st Innings. J. B. Pearson, c. Lowry, b. McGarvin 4; James Moore, b. Lowry 0; F. H. Smyth, c. Williams, b. McGarvin 8; C. W. Hill, b. Lowry 0; J. R. Hagber, c. Smith, b. Lowry 1; W. H. Storey, c. McGarvin 0; J. Butler, b. Lowry 0; W. C. King, not out 1; J. Speight, b. McGarvin 1; J. Pyle, b. Lowry 2; L. Lambert, run out 0; Total 15.

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Umpires, Messrs. F. Brynes and T. T. Moore. Scorer, Mr. W. T. Smyth. A challenge from a Berlin club has been accepted, and the match will be played to-morrow (Civic Holiday).

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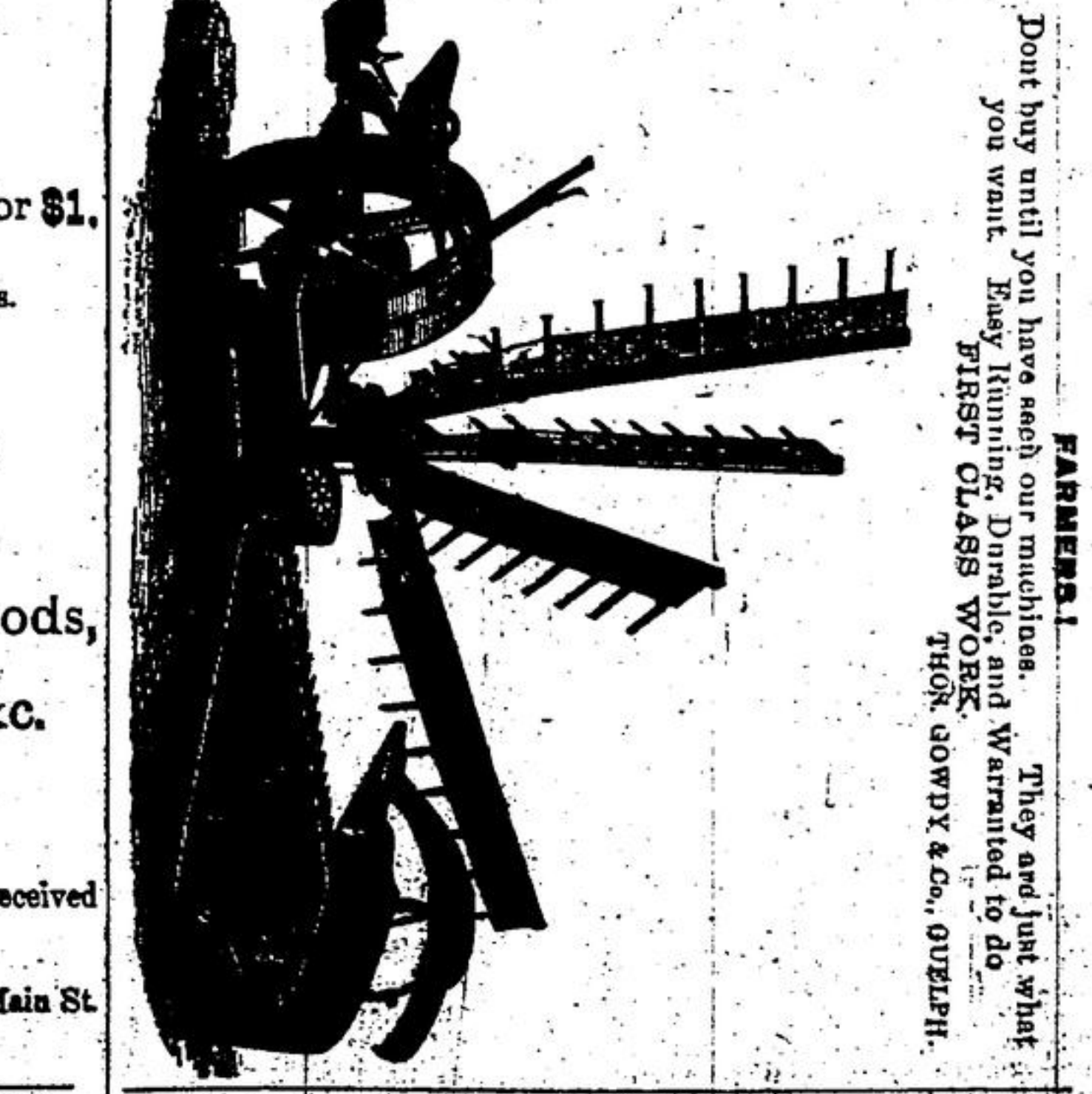
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