

Acton Free Press

WEDNESDAY MORNING, APRIL 3, 1883

VILLAGE VARIETIES.

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

AT GEO. HYND'S. Birthday Cards, the largest stock in Acton...

BITS OF BREVITY. eat and otherwise, prepared by the use of the pen and scissors...

Spring's coming. Now look out for April showers. You may sit your nose above now...

The George town assessor has completed his duties. The Clerk's Herald calls Acton "that good-bled village"...

The committees for the Queen's Birthday celebration should now be appointed. The advertising columns of the Free Press are very interesting to purchasers...

April is the first in order of the four months in the year that consist of thirty days each. Mr. John Stead, of Salmon City, Idaho...

The village council must see about getting a good Union Jack for the new hall flagstaff. Excursion trains for the North West pass through here over the G. T. R. very frequently at present...

Mr. John Helby, of Brampton, will occupy the pulpit in the Methodist Church on Sunday morning and evening. If business is as lively elsewhere as it is in the Free Press office, no person can have any just reason for complaint...

Haltos has contributed \$175 to the Ryerson Memorial Fund, while our neighbor, Peet, has only collected \$78.85. The first of April falling on a Sunday this year, the usual All Fool's Day tricks were pretty generally dispensed with...

The Guelph Spring Show, for the exhibition of seed grain, horses and bulls, will be held on the market square next Tuesday. The streets are now perfect gutters of mud, snow and slush. This is the time the health inspector should be constantly on his rounds...

Now look for gentle showers, when it blossoms dry: 'Twill be wet when they're flowers, and the rain falls from the sky. A number of cases at Hallow's last week, and yet some are blind enough to believe that the Scott Act is a success there. Hamilton Tribune...

The regular quarterly examination of pupils in Acton Public School took place last week. Quite a number of visitors were present. The pupils of the regular department showed considerable progress in their studies, and the system and cheerful discipline which was apparent in all the classes was very commendable...

The question of Sabbath observance by the G. T. Railway authorities is being rediscussed at Georgetown too. A meeting was held last week and petitions are to be circulated. The Kingston illegal liquor-sellers are having a hard time at the hands of the County Inspector of Licenses...

A good newspaper is a poor man's library. Encourage newspaper reading among your children and you will soon discover a fondness for the family journal and a rapid improvement in manners and general intelligence. April, the fourth month of the year, is presently the month of smiles and tears, of showers and sunshine...

St. Thomas is bound to be celebrated for something. The Times of that city now claim that St. Thomas owns more habitual drunkards than any other place of equal size in Ontario. It is not likely that the claim will be disputed. An official notice appears in the Ontario Gazette to the effect that none but duly qualified chemists and druggists who have paid their actual registration fee are authorized by the Act to sell arsenic and its compounds...

Pedestrians are having their own troubles just now, in avoiding slips in the morning, pedicels at noon, and muddy waltz at night. A little attention by the street and sidewalk committees would improve the conditions of a number of street crossings. We inadvertently omitted to mention in our item last week referring to the company services, in Knox Church, that Rev. D. Strachan, of Rockwood, preached on Friday, and Rev. H. Currie, of Thedford, on Saturday, and on Sunday, morning and evening. Special union services are in progress in Georgetown, the Cana in Methodist, Episcopal Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist and Congregational churches having united for this purpose. Rev. Mr. Melntyre, who is present, suggested in the special services here, has been invited to assist them.

Meteorological. Acton has been made a meteorological station, with J. E. McGavin, village clerk, in charge. Annual Report. In another column will be found the annual abstract of receipts and payments of the Board of Trustees of Acton School Division.

Carte-table, the Tunny Act. Being high, Grip's famous cartoonist, will lecture, giving numerous sketches, under the auspices of Acton Lodge, I. O. O. F., on Thursday evening, 23rd inst., in the town hall. The subject of his lecture will be "Carte-table, the Tunny Act." A most enjoyable evening is anticipated.

Auction sale. The farm stock and implements belonging to Mr. Hegu Cameron, W. lot 26, con. 3, near this village, will be sold by public auction on the premises, on Friday, 13th inst. Mr. Cameron is giving up farming, and everything will consequently be sold without reserve. W. H. Heston, auctioneer.

New Law Office. Mr. G. S. McDowell, Barrister, Georgetown, has opened a law office here, in Mrs. Scudder's block, giving Mr. John Cameron the management of the business. The Georgetown Herald says: "Mr. Cameron is an exceptionally clever young man, and will, if we mistake not, be very successful in his new sphere of operation."

Rockwood's Tasteful Little Church. St. John's fine new church in Rockwood will be opened in September or October. This is one of the finest country churches we have ever seen, and the Church of England Mission there, with Rev. W. J. Pickett, the clergyman in charge, deserves great credit for its execution.

Maple Sugar Prospects. It is learned from farmers in this section that the prospects for the maple sugar crop are poor. The nights are too frosty and the winds during the day are too cold for the free running of the sap. One farmer said this morning that a day or two ago he had tapped a fine tree that should have yielded a bucket of sap, and could not draw a tea-cup full. Maple sugar will probably be a dear luxury this year.

Parents Dissatisfied. There is considerable dissatisfaction among the parents of pupils of the second department of the Public School, regarding their progress during the past few months. This may not be surprising when it is understood that during the past four months four different teachers have had charge of the department. Lack of experience in teaching and controlling children seems to be the greatest difficulty.

Loss of Revenue. When the site for the new town hall was talked about we pointed out to the council that if revenue for rent of offices was a consideration, the hall should be placed on a side street. The hall has been erected on a side street, it contains a beautiful room suitable for an office, but gentleman opening his office here, in selecting a place, would not have it for his business owing to the fact that it was not on the business street of the town.

Another Complaint to Acton. The next annual fall fair of the township of Esopus will be held in Acton, and the people there are jubilant. No doubt the show will be a good one, as the Acton people always try to do their best in everything they undertake. And the merchants there will make in many a dollar on that day which the Georgetown merchants would have captured had they chosen to have secured the show by more liberal encouragement. -Middle News.

Public School Examination. The regular quarterly examination of pupils in Acton Public School took place last week. Quite a number of visitors were present. The pupils of the regular department showed considerable progress in their studies, and the system and cheerful discipline which was apparent in all the classes was very commendable. The condition of the junior department was also very satisfactory, but we are sorry the same thing cannot be said of the intermediate school. The frequent change of teachers during the past few months has had a most degenerating effect.

The Special Services. The union services in connection with the Presbyterian, Methodist and Baptist congregations, under the superintendence of Rev. Mr. Melntyre, are still in progress, and more than ordinary interest is evinced by those who attend. On Sunday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock, Rev. Mr. Melntyre addressed the Sabbath School children of the three schools in the Presbyterian Church in a very interesting manner. He delivered a very able discourse, in the Methodist Church the same evening to one of the largest audiences ever seen in Acton. These services are having good effect.

The Hamilton Tribune. It is with pleasure that we add to our list of exchanges the Hamilton Evening Tribune, the first number of which appeared last week. The Tribune presents a neat typographical appearance, its matter is well arranged, and it is, taken altogether, a very tasty sheet for a one cent daily. It is independent in politics, but prohibition is one of the leading features in its editorial columns. The Tribune is owned by a large company of capitalists, enjoys a large advertising patronage, and will no doubt meet with the success it deserves. We wish our neighbor all possible prosperity.

Temperance Society. There is considerable conversation among a class of our citizens respecting the necessity for the organization of some open temperance society in Acton, which would accept for membership any parties, old or young, who might desire to join without subjecting them to any initiation, medical examination, or other requirement necessary to obtain admission to the ordinary societies. The object of such a society to be pure temperance work among its members and in the community generally. We propose a society similar to the ordinary Blue Ribbon Club is what is desired, and we can see nothing in the way of its success.

You Dairy. Mr. Charles Cameron, Jr., has opened a dairy, and will henceforth supply our citizens every day with pure milk, commencing on Monday next.

Leaving Exhibition. A meeting of the merchants, business men, and citizens generally, will be held in the town hall on Tuesday evening, 10th inst., at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of making arrangements for the holding of the Fall Show in Acton. A large attendance is requested.

Judgment Obtained. Mr. J. E. McGavin succeeded last week in obtaining judgment, through the London Division Court, against the London Accident Association, for the amount of \$100, amounting to about \$85, for sick benefits which were due him on account of his illness a year ago last winter.

The Spring Assizes. The Georgetown Herald credits the fact of there being no criminal cases before the Assizes in this county to the influence of the Scott Act, now in force. There is no doubt the Scott Act deserves considerable credit in this respect. There was only one case, a civil one, before the court.

Pepper's Death in Cast. George Pope, 84 years of age, who has for some time, been unable to work, and has had to seek an asylum in the County Jail, having no means of support, died last Thursday morning. Dr. Freeman, coroner, held an inquest, and the jury, brought in a verdict to the effect that the deceased had died of old age.

Piquette Canada. The 17th and 18th numbers of this excellent work have been received, and are complete and full of interest as the former numbers. These parts treat principally of points of interest in Toronto and vicinity, giving splendid views of a number of the principal buildings and streets. One half of the work is completed.

Reparations for the Lorne Rifles. At a meeting of the officers of the 20th Lorne Rifles, held last week at Milton, Lieut. Col. Alton announced that instead of reorganizing the brass band of the battalion, it was his intention to replace it with one of pipes, and that he was negotiating with some of the leading performers in Canada of the Scottish national instrument with that end in view and with good prospects of success. -Glasgow. With their tartan trousers, Gharry caps, and the bagpipes our volunteers will be taken for a regiment of Highland boys.

Sudden Death. A very sudden death occurred in our midst on Sunday afternoon. Mr. James Bell, a resident of this village, was taken ill on Friday with very severe cramps in the bowels, which ultimately resulted in inflammation. Everything that possibly could be done to relieve him was done, but with no avail, and he passed away about five o'clock on Sunday afternoon, having endured great suffering during the whole time. A wife and very large family are left to mourn the loss of a husband and father. The sympathy of the community is extended to the bereaved family. The funeral took place on Tuesday afternoon and was largely attended.

The Town Hall Concert. The opening concert given in the new town hall on Thursday evening last was attended by between 300 and 400 persons. There were visitors present from Toronto, Georgetown, Guelph, Markham, and other places, and the universal opinion respecting the new hall was that it was second to none in the province as far as beauty and acoustic properties are concerned. The concert was very enjoyable, but failed to come up to the expectations of the committee and many of those who were present. The singing of Mr. Warrington was really fine. The Misses Corlett did very well—no doubt their best—but their renditions were not equal to what is generally expected from city performers. Mr. Taylor, who is without doubt one of the finest tenor leaders in a chorus of voices, was pronounced a complete failure as a soloist, and greatly disappointed the audience. The fact of several of the pieces rendered having been sung before Acton audiences on several previous occasions no doubt had the effect of making them less meritorious in the opinion of the audience. The recitations and sketches of Prof. Bell Smith received the applause of all present, the sketches especially being deserving of the highest eulogiums of praise. Miss Monroe's piano solos were well rendered, and the music of the Italian Orchestra pleased all present. The hall at the close of the concert was so far as attendance and receipts are concerned, a consummate failure.

PERSONALS. Mr. Wm. Steel is seriously ill. Miss Sarah Ellis, of Guelph, is visiting her friends here. Mr. C. B. Griffin and his bride returned home on Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Richard Ross, of King, was in town a couple of days this week. Rev. C. J. Lee, M.A., of Mount Forest, was in town last Thursday. Mr. M. Mitchell, of Toronto, paid our little town a short visit last week. Mr. J. W. Burns, of Rockwood, called at our saucum yesterday morning. Mr. Palmer Ismond, of Dakota, was the guest of Councillor Ismond this week. Mr. Trucman Hall, of Orangetown, made us a friendly call on Tuesday morning. Mr. Albert Hall and daughter, of Trafalgar, visited their friends here this week. Mr. M. Speight, of Markham, spent several days last week with his friends here. Rev. W. Byers left this morning for Oacoda, Mich. He will be away a week or so. Miss H. E. Harrison, of Ferguson, was a guest at the Methodist Parsonage last week. Miss Martha Firstbrook, of Toronto, was the guest of Mr. W. H. Storey during the past week. Rev. W. J. Pigott, incumbent of St. Albans Church, intends taking a trip to England next month. He will be absent about three months.

A Pensive Newspaper. Mr. Richard Ross, of King, has given us the pleasure of looking through a copy of the Toronto Patriot, published on Friday, September 17th, 1841, nearly 42 years old. The Patriot was then in its 12th volume. The paper presents a very neat typographical appearance, considering the advantages at this early date, but it possesses many unique features.

THE CRADLE. LEAVES.—In Enquesting, on the 3rd inst., the wife of Mr. John Levens, of a son. CLEAVES.—In Enquesting, on the 4th inst., the wife of Mr. Edw. Cleaves, of a son. MCGURMAN.—In Nassagaweya, on the 1st inst., the wife of Mr. H. McGurman, of a daughter.

THE GRAVE. BELL.—In Acton, on the 1st inst., James Bell, Esq., aged 33 years.

Will You Accept. "For I have no pleasure in the death of that which I die, and the Lord God, wherefore turn yourselves and live." -Ezekiel, xviii, 32-34. Turn ye, turn ye, why will ye die? There now is salvation to them that draw nigh. No pleasure have I in the death of that which I die. Turn now unto Me, and let Me be true to you. Come, come unto Me, ye weary and laden. Your burdens I'll carry, your hearts I'll ease. I'll pardon, forgive, those and cleanse those from sin. My life I leave up that they shall not faint. It is life everlasting I give unto thee. Only turn from thy sins and look unto Me: wherefore will thou die? Oh, come unto Me, of My mercy I'll partake.

Improvement in Bread. We have just introduced the new Roller Process Flour into our bakery, and the result is better bread than we have been able to supply to our customers for some time. This flour is made by a new roller system that formerly used, but notwithstanding this fact we will not raise the price of bread but will supply it at the usual figure. At the same time we must insist upon all our customers paying cash in future. Don't fail to try the new bread.

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FLOUR & FEED STORE. The undersigned has purchased the Flour and Feed business from Mr. Robert Elliott, and will carry on the business in the building formerly used as a Barber Shop, opposite the old Feed Store. I will keep in stock and sell for cash: Flour, Chopped Peas, Roller Flour, Chicken Feed, Granulated Wheat, Oats, Peas, Cracked Barley, Bye, Graham Flour, Oil Cake, Buckwheat, Thorley Cattle Feed, Oatmeal, Corn Meal, Chmax Feed, Bran, Flax Seed, Shorts, Potatoes, Chopped Oats, Turnips, Chopped Barley, Beans, &c., &c.

Steady Stream. Since its introduction there has been a steady stream of the Fountain of Health flowing. It is the greatest Hygieine remedy of the age. Price 25 cents.

Mr. H. F. MacCarthy, Chemist, Ottawa, writes: "I have been dispensing and jobbing Northrop & Lyman's Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil and Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda, for the past two years, and consider that there is no better preparation of the same kind in the market. It is very palatable, and for chronic coughs it has no equal."

H. Glanzen, West Shefford, E. Q., writes: "For a number of years I have been afflicted with rheumatism. Two years ago I was attacked very severely. I suffered a great deal of pain, from which I was not free from a day until last spring when I began to use Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, and I rejoice to say it has cured me, for which I am thankful."

Miss Mary Campbell, Elm, writes: "After taking four bottles of Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Discovery and Dyspeptic Cure, I feel as if I were a new person. I had been troubled with Dyspepsia for a number of years, and tried many remedies, but of no avail, until I used this celebrated Dyspeptic Cure. For all impurities of the blood, Sick Headache, Liver and Kidney Complaints, Costiveness, &c., it is the best medicine known."

Mothers! Mothers!! Mothers!!! Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with the excruciating pain of cutting teeth? If so, go at once and get a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately—depend upon it; there is no mistake about it. There is not a mother on earth who has ever used it, who will not tell you at once that it will regulate the bowels, and give rest to the mother, and relief and health to the child, operating like magic. It is perfectly safe to use in all cases, and pleasant to the taste, and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States. Sold everywhere at 25 cents a bottle.

CAMERON'S DAIRY. The undersigned has just opened a dairy and is prepared to supply the people of Acton and vicinity with pure milk every morning, (Sundays excepted) commencing Monday morning, 24th April. Your patronage is respectfully solicited. Any parties requiring extra milk on Saturday evening, for Sunday, can be supplied. CHAS. CAMERON, JR.

ACTON HARNES & TRUNK DEPOT. Mr. J. W. Burns, of Rockwood, called at our saucum yesterday morning. Mr. Palmer Ismond, of Dakota, was the guest of Councillor Ismond this week. Mr. Trucman Hall, of Orangetown, made us a friendly call on Tuesday morning. Mr. Albert Hall and daughter, of Trafalgar, visited their friends here this week. Mr. M. Speight, of Markham, spent several days last week with his friends here.

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ABSTRACT OF THE ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEES, OF ACTON SCHOOL DIVISION, FOR THE YEAR 1882.

RECEIPTS. Balance from 1881 \$ 314 27 School Tax, per Village Treas. 3095 00 Borrowed from Corporation 605 00 School Debentures 300 00 Acton Banking Co. notes dis. 197 15 Government Grant 112 00 Clergy Reserve Interest 51 00 Municipal Grant 21 00 Non-Resident Pupils 11 00 \$8739 42

PAYMENTS. Arbitrators' Award to S.E.No.13 \$1333 45 Teachers' Salaries 1075 00 Acton Banking Co., Notes 200 00 Caretaker and Secty-Treas 105 00 Funding New School Site 90 08 Fuel 56 53 Repairs 31 57 Miscellaneous Expenses 68 75 Balance on hand 758 84 \$8739 42

SALARIES. Thomas Moore, Principal \$ 350 00 Miss Humpal, 1st Assistant 275 00 Miss Grant, 2nd Assistant 250 00 Mrs. Hughes, Caretaker 75 00 H. P. Moore, Secty-Treas 30 00 \$1180 00

H. P. MOORE, Secretary. JAMES MATTHEWS, Chairman. Acton, March 31st, 1883.

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STOVES. A GOOD ASSORTMENT For the Fall Trade. J. C. HILL'S New Tin & Store Depot, MILL STREET, ACTON. STOVES.

CASH FOR ALL KINDS OF GRAIN. L. G. MATTHEWS.

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TO CONSUMPTIVES. The advertiser having been permanently cured of that dread disease, Consumption, by a simple remedy, is anxious to make known to all who desire it, the means of cure. To all who desire it, he will send a copy of the prescription used, (in a pamphlet), with the directions for preparing and taking the same, which they will find are pure Goulston's Golden Compound, containing, Aethiops, Sassafras, Colic, Consumption, Asthma, Bronchitis, &c. Parties wishing the Prescription, will please address, Rev. E. A. WILSON, 101 Park St. Williamsburg, N.Y.

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SPRING GOODS. GRIFFIN. Shows this week 30 pieces of CHOICE NEW PRINTS, 20 pieces Black & Colored Cashmeres, One Case New Dress Goods, One Case Linens: Towels, Napkins, Table Cloths, Gray Linens, &c.

TREMENDOUS BARGAINS. In All Lines of Winter Goods.

Our prints and Cashmeres this spring are 15 per cent. cheaper than former seasons. A Choice Selection of TEAS, SUGARS, SPICES, ETC., Constantly on hand. Choice Roll Butter for Sale. Selling off Boots & Shoes at Cost, to clear the stock.

C. B. GRIFFIN. Acton, March 8th, 1883.

TO THE PUBLIC. We respectfully invite the attention of the public to our mode of DOING BUSINESS.

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