

THURSDAY MORNING JAN. 17, 1884.

The School Book Question.

The New Minister of Education is, we understand, endeavoring to effect arrangements for reducing the number of text books for use in the Public Schools.

The Dominion and Provincial Parliaments.

The Dominion Parliament will meet for the dispatch of business to-day, and the Local Bill is on the 23rd, inst., so that before the close of the present month the business of the session will be well advanced.

Notes and Comments.

The city of Acton, with a population of 1,200, has no municipal dept. Few cities of the same population can make a similar boast.

The Ontario Legislature is summoned to meet on Jan. 23.

Representatives are going on with a view to facilitating communications across the Atlantic and strengthening ties of success are anticipated.

The two-cent letter postage has been a decided success in the United States.

Winnipeg is a city of strange precedents, but the one that has yet set before an admiring world was an entertainment given through the Mayor's Imperial by the liquor dealer who presented him with a valuable automobile.

The St. Catharines Cotton Mill recently suspended one of its debts was \$30,000 to the Dominion Government for duties on machinery.

Every school in Wichita, Kas., over thirty in number closed last week by concerted action, the teachers having gone out of business permanently.

According to the official reports received by the Agricultural Department, 153,105 immigrants entered Canada during 1883, of whom 110,000 are said to have remained in Canada, and 43,105 to have passed through to the United States.

Justice was given in the Bothwell election case last Saturday in favor of the Hon. Mr. Galt, who is declared elected by Judge Galt.

Prof. H. would seem to be gaining strength in Kansas. In Topeka a majority opinion was reached in victory for this candidate.

Rockwood News.

Wednesday last was Court day in Rockwood. There was a large number of cases on the docket, and spectators were numerous.

Mr. C. McVerry, who has been suffering from cancer for a length of time, narrowly escaped death one day last week, the cancer having reached an important vein. His medical attendants succeeded in quenching the flow of blood, but the sufferer lies in a very precarious condition.

The annual meeting of the Rockwood and Everton Branch Bible Society will be held in the Canada Methodist Church, Rockwood, on Friday evening.

Many who a few weeks ago were anxiously looking for sleighing are now anxious for the January thaw. This usual accompaniment to our winters failed to put in an appearance last year and we consequently cannot look forward to it this month with any certainty.

Esqueing Municipal Elections.

The following list shows the number of votes polled for the several candidates at Esqueing elections last week—

Table with columns for candidates (Ward No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6) and vote counts for various groups like 'FOR DEPUTY REEVY', 'FOR DEPUTY REEVY', 'FOR DEPUTY REEVY', 'FOR DEPUTY REEVY', 'FOR DEPUTY REEVY'.

—Scotch, English and Canadian Suitings in great variety, at the East End Clothing Store, J. E. E. E. E.

THE CRADLE. CROWSON.—In Erin, on the 11th inst., the wife of Mr. M. Crowson, of a daughter. NICKLES.—In Acton, on the 15th January, the wife of Mr. A. E. Nicklin, of a daughter. SWACKHAMMER.—In Esqueing, on the 19th inst., the wife of Mr. Christopher Swackhammer, of a son.

BUSINESS BREVITIES. Some Facts about our Business Men and Houses, of benefit to our general readers.

Hats from 75 cents to \$2.50 at J. E. E. E. E. If you want a nobby, durable and cheap suit, J. E. E. E. E. is the place to go.

The largest and cheapest stock of Boots & Shoes to select from is at Nelson & McRae's.

The largest stock of Gents Furnishings, Hats and Caps, Shirts and Drawers at Nelson & McRae's.

The best value in Factory Cottons, Wire-boys, Flannels and Domestic Goods at Nelson & McRae's.

The largest and cheapest stock of Ready Made Clothing in the town is at Nelson & McRae's.

The most perfect fitting Suits and Overcoats, and the best selection of Goods at the lowest prices at Nelson & McRae's.

Suits and Overcoats at extremely low rates and made in latest styles. Be sure to call and see them. J. E. E. E. E. Acton.

The best assortment of Black and Colored Velvets, Ladies' Mantles, Woolen and Knitted Goods in the town at Nelson & McRae's.

Mailway Accident. Frank Spink, Wilton Avenue, Toronto, some time ago received a bad injury by an accident on the G. T. R. The severe contusions were quickly healed by the use of Hagar's Yellow Oil.

A GARD. To all who are suffering from the errors and indiscretions of youth, nervous weakness, early decay, loss of manhood, &c., I will send a recipe that will cure you, raise you on crutches. This great remedy was discovered by a missionary in South America. Send a self-addressed envelope to the Rev. J. E. E. E. E. Station D, New York City.

\$300.00 Reward. For any Testimonials recommending McGreger's Speedy cure for Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Constiveness, Headache, &c., that are not genuine; none of which are from persons in the States or thousands of miles away, but from persons in and around Hamilton, Ont. We gave trial bottles free of cost, so that you cannot be deceived by purchasing a worthless article, but know its value before buying. Trial bottles and testimonials given free at J. E. E. E. E. Drug Store.

Itching Piles—Symptoms and Cure. The symptoms are moisture, like perspiration, intense itching, increased by scratching, very distressing, particularly at night, seems as if pin-worms were crawling in and about the rectum; the private parts are sometimes affected. If allowed to continue very serious results may follow. "SWAYNE'S OINTMENT" is a pleasant, sure cure. Also for Tetter, Itch, Salt Rheum, all scaly, crusty Skin Diseases. Sent by mail for 50 cents; 3 boxes, \$1.25, (in stamps). Address, DR. SWAYNE & SON, Philadelphia, Pa. Sold by Druggists.

AGENTS wanted for the Lives of all the Presidents of the U.S. The largest, handsomest, best book ever sold for less than twice our price. The fastest selling book in America. Immense profits to agents. All intelligent people want it. Any one can become a successful agent. Terms free. HALLETT BOOK CO., Portland, Maine.

BIGGER BARGAINS THAN EVER.

For this month I am offering my whole stock of WATCHES, JEWELLERY, &C., At Reduced Price.

My Shop is Filled With New Goods.

New Styles in Every Line. The Low Price of my Fine Gold Sets, Ladies Watches, Chains, Necklets, Brooches, Ear-rings, &c., surprise everyone. Call early and have your choice and also have your goods properly engraved.

Thanking the people of Acton and vicinity for the liberal patronage in the past, I solicit a continuance of the same, and wish them all a MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

WM. S. SMITH, the Watch and Clock House of Guelph.

A MARVELOUS STORY

TOLD IN TWO LETTERS. FROM THE SON: "My father resides at Glover, Vt. He has been a great sufferer from Scrofula, and the medicine will tell you what a marvelous effect."

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

has had in his case. I think his blood must have contained the humor for at least ten years; but it did not show, except in the form of a scrofulous sore on the wrist, until about five years ago. From a few spots which appeared at that time, it gradually spread so as to cover his entire body. I assure you he was terribly afflicted, and an object of pity, what he began using your medicine. Now, there are few men of his age who enjoy as good health as he has. I could easily name fifty persons who would testify to his case in his case. Yours truly, W. M. PHILLIPS."

FROM THE FATHER: "It is both a pleasure and a duty for me to state to you the benefit I have derived from the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla."

Six months ago I was completely covered with a terrible humor and scrofulous sores. The humor caused an incessant and intolerable itching, and the skin cracked so as to cause the blood to flow in many places whenever I moved. My sufferings were great, and my life a burden. I commenced the use of the Sarsaparilla in April last, and have used it regularly since that time. My condition began to improve at once. The sores have all healed, and I feel perfectly well in every respect—being now able to do a good day's work, although 73 years of age. Many inquiries what has wrought such a cure in my case, and I tell them, as I have here tried to tell you, AYER'S SARSAPARILLA. Glover, Vt., Oct. 21, 1883. Truly yours, HIRSH PHILLIPS."

AYER'S SARSAPARILLA Cures Scrofula and all Scrofulous Complaints, Erysipelas, Eczema, Ringworm, Itch, Sores, Bells, Tumors, and Eruptions of the Skin. It cleans the blood of all impurities, aids digestion, stimulates the action of the bowels, and thus restores vitality and strengthens the whole system.

PREPARED BY Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass. Sold by all Druggists; \$1, six bottles for \$4.

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(Vocalists and Bell Players.) "The Most Charming Musical Treat Ever Enjoyed."

These Renowned Artists, after an absence of eleven years in Europe, having returned to their native land, bringing a magnificent band of 120 NEW SWISS BELLS, will give one of their peculiarly Novel and Popular CONCERTS, at the

TOWN HALL, ACTON, ON THURSDAY, 24th JANY. (ONE EVENING ONLY.)

Their EXTRAORDINARY CONCERTS consist of a charming selection of VOCAL QUARTETS, rendered in their own peculiar style, Duets, Songs, and Ballads; also their marvellous performance on a magnificent set of 120 New Swiss Bells. Delighted Audiences Everywhere.

Admission, 50c.; Reserved Seats, 50c. Doors open at 7:30; commence at 8 p. m. FRANK RIVERS, J. M. BOLLARD, Gen. Director. Manager.

A PRIZE. Send six cents for postage, and receive free, a costly box of goods which will help you to more money right away than anything else in this world. All of either sex, succeed from first hour. The broad road to fortune opens before the workers, absolutely sure. At once address, Tux & Co., Augusta, Maine.

The Wonderful Man. IMPORTANT.

GREAT SPECIAL DISCOUNT SALE!

Immense Sacrifice of Entire Stock FOR - 30 - DAYS - ONLY, commencing on Monday, 14th Jan.

Carefully Examine the Following List of Discounts:

- 30 Per Cent—Bonnets and Hats, trimmed and untrimmed, Wings, Feathers and Flowers. 20 Per Cent—Mantles, Dolmans, Jackets, Ulsters, Shawls and Lace Curtains. 20 Per Cent—Silk Handkerchiefs, Silk Ties, Lace Ties and Laces. 20 Per Cent—Ribbons, Gimps, Fringes, Trimmings and Buttons. 20 Per Cent—Gentlemen's Scarfs, Ties, Silk and Cashmere Mufflers. 15 Per Cent—Shirts, Drawers, Underclothing and Gloves. 15 Per Cent—Kid Gloves, Cloth Gloves, Hosiery and Corsets. 15 Per Cent—Fancy Dress Materials of all kinds—over 200 y. yard. 15 Per Cent—Black and Colored Silks, Satins, Velvets, Plushes and Brocades. 15 Per Cent—Damask Table Linens, Napkins, Towels, Table and Piano Covers. 15 Per Cent—Blankets, Counterpanes, Quilts and Comforters. 15 Per Cent—Tweeds, Mantles and Ulster Cloths. 15 Per Cent—Grey, White, Scarlet and Opera Flannels. 10 Per Cent—White Cottons, Grey Cottons, Pillow Cottons, Sheetings and Canton Flannels. 10 Per Cent—Prints, Cretonnes, Ducks and Denims. 10 Per Cent—Carpets, Matings, Rugs and Oil Cloths. 20 Per Cent—Furs of all kinds—Mink Sets, Astracan Sets, French Seal Sets, and Caps in great variety.

OUR STOCK IS ALL NEW

And bought in the best markets at the Lowest Possible Price. We will guarantee every article sold correct in style, quality and price, and those availing themselves of this rare opportunity of supplying their wants with everything necessary in the Dry Goods line, will undoubtedly SAVE MONEY.

Any goods Booked During the Sale will be Charged at Regular Prices. Store Will Be Open for Business Each Day at 8:30 a.m.

John Hogg & Son, GUELPH.

To the People of Acton and surrounding community:

I desire to thank you for the many favors I have received at your hands during the past year, and ask that the same may be continued in the future. It is my intention to offer greater bargains in my line than has yet been done in the past, and as I am to take stock during the next month, I will offer a liberal discount to any one purchasing from me. Thanking my many customers for past favors, I am, yours truly, W. H. HOWELL.

THE CITY GROCERY

Will offer during the next thirty days, a Discount of 10 Per Cent. on all cash purchases—Sugars excepted.

We have now on hand another large lot of 20 lbs. Raisins for \$1. which are being sold rapidly. All are invited to give us a call, both great and small.

Now is The Time to Buy Crockery, Cheap. Acton, Jan. 15th, 1884.

MONEY TO LOAN. (PRIVATE FUNDS) At Six Per Cent. CLARKE & CANNIFF, BANKERS, &c., Cuten's Block, Guelph.

STEER ASTRAY. Strayed from the premises lot 15, con., 4 Esqueing about the middle of August, a white two-year-old steer with a split on the left ear. Any person giving information which will lead to its recovery will be suitably rewarded. JAS. ROBERTSON, Esqueing, Dec. 19th 1883.

COAL FOR SALE. The undersigned intends keeping constantly on hand a stock of hard and soft coal of all kinds, which will be delivered to any part of the village. Parties desiring coal should give him a call. C. S. SMITH.

HANLAN BARBER SHOP.

J. P. WORDEN Has opened a Barber Shop in the premises lately occupied by Dr. Forster as a medical office, and solicits a share of the patronage of this vicinity. Every department of the business will be conducted in first-class style. Give us a call. J. P. WORDEN, Jan. 23rd, 1883.

The Bennett Churn

The Newest Article in the Market! Churning Made a Pleasure Instead of an Unpleasant Task!

RAMSHAW & SON, ACTON.

Have secured the sole control of the sale of the famous "Bennett" Churn. This Churn is manufactured upon the most practical and common-sense principle extant, and only requires to be seen at work to be understood, appreciated and purchased. A member of the above firm will call upon you with a sample Churn. RAMSHAW & SON, Acton, Jan. 15, '84.

THE FAVORITE Oyster Parlor

A. E. MATTHEWS —IS NOW RECEIVING DAILY FRESH— Oysters, Finnan Haddies, Canned Fish and Fruits, Lemons, Oranges, Grapes, CONFECTIONERY, And all other goods of his line.

Biscuits.

The largest assortment of plain and fancy Biscuits in town, and from the best manufacturers. My customers will find all my goods fresh and in every way satisfactory.

THE OYSTER PARLOR

Oysters served in any style during the season, or will be supplied by the quart or gallon. Good cooking apples always on hand. A. E. MATTHEWS

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