

RAILWAY TIME TABLE

Table with columns for Grand Trunk Railway, Express, and Special services, listing times for various routes.

Acton Free Press

Thursday Morning, Jan. 17, 1884

BITS OF BREVITY

A good deal of learning is being done now. Bread has been reduced to 18 cents per loaf in Fergus. Beardmore's tannery will soon be ready for operation. Dr. Sherman preached in Zion Chapel, Guelph, on Sunday morning and evening. A Bachelor's Mutual Protective Society is being organized at Portage la Prairie. Cause: Leap year. Mrs. P. S. Armstrong, of Lincoln, Neb., will kindly accept our thanks for a budget of Nebraska papers. The man who owns a corner lot would like to know if there couldn't be a patent snow shovel invented. Quite a number of white-necked gentlemen visited Acton this week. Their presence was welcome. I'm the happy man now, but I hope this midnight lullaby business will soon be left out of the program. A. E. Ercoleio Bakery. A good old-fashioned January that would now be acceptable. Water is very scarce. A number of the wells in town are dry. Messrs. G. & A. McDonald, of the 4th line, brought to market last Saturday, two hogs, both having five toes on each of the front feet. 1884 is going to be a stirring year. The man who does not take a live paper is sure to be left behind. Therefore subscribe for the Free Press. The Haver Post is four years old. The editor says although it's young it is fat and healthy, and likely to live to a good old age. May success attend its growth. A Salvation Army barracks has been opened in Georgetown. The editor of the Herald wishes the army success. There should be plenty of material for recruits in Georgetown. A social was held in the Presbyterian Church, Limehouse, last evening. Acton Methodist Church Choir furnished music for the occasion. The affair was a complete success. At Palmerston five women voted in the school trustee election, and one took an active part in the canvass. In St. Thomas nine women voted in one ward. There's women's rights for you. The assembly of the T.M.C., the merry makers in the town hall last Friday evening, is pronounced one of the most select affairs of the season. Those present claim to have had a very enjoyable time. Twenty or twenty-five Actonians visited a carnival at Milton skating rink last Thursday night. Mr. W. Speight won first place in a ten minute race. Acton Cornet Band provided music for the occasion. Dr. Bennett has retired from the firm, Drs. Robertson & Bennett. Dr. P. Stewart will fill the vacancy. He is a young man of ability and a big string of creditably earned medical letters appended to his name. A Milton young lady gave the editor of the Georgetown Herald rather a bad "send-off" last week, and the Herald man foolishly told his readers all about it in his editorial columns. The young ladies will be down on you now, friend Neelands. Your chances for leap year are slim. One of our Acton girls has frightened her lover entirely out of his matrimonial notions by working and presenting him with the motto, "I Need Thee Every Hour." He says he would be willing to give her the greater part of his time, but his health demanded an hour or two out of doors every day for exercise. Beedle and Prindle's Pleasure Party. This company will show in the Town Hall, Acton, on Friday evening 18th inst. The company is composed of first-class specialists, of which the widely-known character artist, Johnnie Prindle, is at the head, and as the troupe is an old established and successful one it will doubtless attract a large audience. Halton Sabbath School Convention. The annual Convention of the Sabbath School Association of this county—non-denominational—will be held in the Methodist Church, Milton, on Thursday, Jan. 24th, and Friday, Feb. 1st. A program of unusual interest to Sabbath School workers has been prepared, and a successful Convention is anticipated. Let those interested in the Sunday Schools of all the Churches of the county make a point to be present, and we can assure them both profit and edification.

VILLAGE VARIETIES

A collection of local news and other matters of special interest to our Village Readers. Halton's Senator. Ex-Sheriff McKimley is about to be elevated to the senate. How do you do, Senator McKimley? You must be one of the "lucky ones." Skating Carnival. Mr. Fredrick, Manager Acton Skating Rink, has arranged for a carnival, to be held on Friday evening, 23rd inst. A number of prizes are offered for racing, skating, etc. Who Can Beat Them? Mr. Robert Agnew sold to Messrs. E. Nicklin & Son, last week, four spring pigs, eleven months old, which weighed 1,630 pounds, dressed. Mr. Agnew wants to know who can beat this. County Council. The only changes in Halton County Council for 1884 from that of 1883 will be Mr. John White, reeve of Milton, instead of Dr. Freeman, and Mr. Henry McMaster as deputy-reeve of Nelson in place of Mr. William Wilson. The Debate This Evening. The subject for debate at the meeting of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association, to be held in the town hall this evening, is one of interest to every member of the Association. We hope to see a large attendance. Annual Bible Society Meeting. The annual meeting of Acton Branch Bible Society will be held in the Presbyterian Church, on Tuesday evening, 22nd inst. The meeting will be addressed by the lecturer of the Society and the resident ministers. A good attendance is requested. Temperance Convention. The annual meeting of the Halton Temperance Alliance, held at Milton on Tuesday and Wednesday, was well attended. The Convention was a most interesting one, many points of interest being presented and debated upon by the delegates present. Rev. M. Pigott's Return. Rev. W. J. Pigott, incumbent of St. Alban's Church, here, who has been on a lecturing tour in England since last May, landed at Halifax on Monday, and will arrive at home this evening or to-morrow. We understand that the Rev. gentleman has had a very successful tour. He will occupy his pulpit next Sunday. Action for Slander. The ex-Reeve of Milton, Dr. Freeman, has commenced an action against John White, Esq., for slander, in reference to some statements made at the late nomination, that Dr. Freeman had furnished a "medical order" for whiskey to a party that did not require it for medicinal purposes. The Dr. claims \$1,000 damages. A New and Improved Churn. Messrs. Williamson Ramshaw & Son have secured the sole right for this section to manufacture and sell the famous "Bennett" Churn. This churn, while possessing the principle of the old dash churn, works with much greater ease, and does its work completely in less than half the time. Butter makers should not fail to see it. Anniversary Missionary Services. The annual missionary meeting was held in the Methodist Church last Sunday. Rev. Dr. Sutherland, of Toronto, occupied the pulpit morning and evening, and his discourses were powerful and most appropriate. The attendance at both meetings was unusually large, and the collections and subscriptions to the missionary fund reached nearly \$100. Weights and Measures Inspection. Mr. C. E. S. Black, Inspector of Weights and Measures for this district, spent several days during the week in Acton, in the performance of the duties of his office. Some of our citizens thought he was a little too severe and officious, but we have no doubt his only object was to carry out the provisions of the law as directed by the Dominion Government. Presentation. On Saturday evening, after the labors of the week had ended, the employees of the Guelph Mercury office gathered round "the stone" in the news room, to present Mr. Jones, M.P., previous to his departure for Ottawa, with a gold headed cane and an address, as an evidence of their respect and esteem for him. Mr. Jones was of course taken by surprise but replied in suitable and appropriate terms. Picturesque Canada. Parts 23 and 24 of this most interesting publication was delivered to subscribers in Acton last week. The former number is devoted to the Georgian Bay and Lake Huron, and in the latter Central Ontario is commenced, with views of Port Hope, Lindsay, Peterborough and Cobourg, and their vicinities. The illustrations are of the usual high standard and the descriptive matter is ably written. Sacred Concert. The young people of the Baptist Church here have made arrangements for holding a grand musical entertainment in the Town Hall, on Wednesday, 23rd inst. An array of excellent talent has been secured for the occasion, and the programme will consist of vocal and instrumental music—principally sacred. The committee are using every effort to make the affair a success in every particular. We bespeak for all who attend, an enjoyable evening. Nassagaweya Agricultural Society. At the annual meeting of the above society last Thursday, the following officers were elected for the current year:—President, Daniel Barbagree; Vice-Pres., James A. Watson; Sec'y-Treas., A. C. McMillan; Directors, J. Reid, A. Alexander, W. Logie, J. Little, M. Holmes, R. Akins, G. L. Watson; Honorary Directors, Jno. Ramsay, J. Kitching, A. Bell, and A. McGibbin; Auditors, A. Pickett and D. Hutcheon. Erasmus Agricultural Society. At the annual meeting of the above society the Sec. Treas presented the annual report showing a balance on hand of \$99.69 above all claims against the Society. The following officers were duly elected for the ensuing year:—President—Wm. Willoughby; Vice-Pres., Jno. McQueen; Sec. Treas., John Black; Directors—John Bockett, Joe. Crowl, Andrew Thompson, James Kennedy, John D. Abbot, D. McCalg, Wm. Bunter, Chas. Hood, James Hill.

Vocalists and Bell-Ringers. The Alpheians announced to appear at the Town Hall on Thursday evening, 24th inst., have recently returned from a very successful tour of eleven years in Europe. The troupe comes to us with the highest praise from the European press, as well as an unequivocal endorsement from the American press—both before they left and since they returned from Europe. As vocalists they delight their audience wherever they appear, and as bell players they have no superiors. Our exchanges speak very highly of their concert. Fourth Division Court. The first sitting of the Fourth Division Court for 1884, was held in the town hall yesterday, Mr. D. McGibbon, Barrister, acting for Judge Miller. The following cases were disposed of:— Tolton vs. Arthur.—Judgment reserved. Watson vs. Seelwood.—Judgment for plaintiff. Mills vs. McIlroy, etc.—Referred to Milton Court. Smith vs. Lightman.—Judgment for plaintiff. Smith vs. Czerwinski.—Settled by parties. A number of other cases were left over for next sitting of the Court. Presbyterian Conference. The Presbytery of Guelph was in session in Knox Church, Acton, on Tuesday and Wednesday, when the following subjects were presented for discussion:—"State of Religion"; "Temperance"; and "Sabbath School." About fifty ministers and delegates were present, and each session was marked with interest to those in attendance. The public meeting on Tuesday evening was well attended, and the subject, "The Church's duty with reference to Temperance Reform," was ably handled by Rev. J. C. Smith, M.A., Guelph, and J. B. McMillan, Fergus, both of whom favor prohibition of the liquor traffic, in arguments which gave no uncertain sound. The conference closed yesterday afternoon. That Roller Mill. A subscriber inquires if our citizens intended to allow the matter of the erection of a Roller Flour Mill in Acton, upon which subject there was so much agitation last spring to now rest in abeyance. We hope not. We would be pleased to see every phase of the matter thoroughly ventilated, and to this end invite correspondence on the subject through the columns of the Free Press. Our opinion is that a much smaller mill than that previously proposed—say 50 or 75 barrels—would have the desired result, viz: that of creating a demand for all the grain grown in this immediate section, and as a consequence making Acton a desirable and attractive point as a grain market. What have our citizens to say on the subject? Court Trials. Police Magistrate Young gave judgment today on the two adjudged charges against Robert Agnew, of Acton, for illegally selling intoxicating liquor on the day of the Acton fair, fining the defendant \$50 and costs in each case, and reserved judgment on another charge of illegal liquor selling on the 15th December. In the case against James Campbell, of Acton, the Police Magistrate has decided to commit the defendant to the county jail for one month, but as the latter was not present to answer the necessary questions as to the two former convictions recorded against him, the delivery of the above sentence was adjourned for a week.—Milton Champion of 10th inst. The two convictions, referred to in our issue of two weeks ago, were not against Mr. Agnew, as stated, but against his agents—employed for the day—Messrs. E. Clark, Georgetown, and J. P. Allan, Dramp-ton; thus the cases tried last week were counted by the Police Magistrate as for fire offence, and the fines are imposed accordingly. We are informed that the above four cases have cost Mr. Agnew between \$400 and \$500 for fines, costs and expenses. We are sorry to see Mr. Campbell convicted of violating the liquor law of our country the third time, and sorry to see one who has occupied a prominent place in our town sent to the county jail, but the law and its penalties were plain to all concerned, the charge was preferred; the evidence clear, and the Police Magistrate had no alternative in the matter, the penalty imposed being the very lightest the law allows for a third offence. Several former cases will come before the Police Magistrate for trial to-day. Larza.—A petition, asking the Police Magistrate to deal as leniently with Mr. Campbell as was in his power, was circulated among our citizens yesterday and received a large number of signatures. Messrs. W. H. Storey and D. Henderson left this morning for Milton, to present the petition and use their influence in Mr. Campbell's behalf, and the sentence named above will probably be changed to a fine, if such action can be legally taken. PERSONALS. Miss Bert McGarvin is visiting Acton friends. Mrs. H. Grindle, of Guelph, spent several days during the week with Acton friends. Mr. and Mrs. John Farmer, of Florence, are visiting Acton and Georgetown friends. Messrs. H. Burton Somers, and J. Stanislaus Arthurs, prominent members of the Acton Friends and Weir Club, of Toronto, visited Acton friends last Friday. We are informed that they left their hearts with Acton young ladies, and are likely to return again in the near future. The editor of the Haver Post made us a pleasant call on Saturday. Upon questioning the poor fellow as to his haggard and dejected appearance, he informed us that the Crowfoot Indian Bitters Co. had entered an action against the Post for libel. Well, now, old fellow, cheer up. The Crow-foot's can't take more than that extra fifteen cents from you, even if they do win the case. Don't be melancholy over it, Benzo. Face the matter like a true dyed-in-the-wool journalist, who has no flitting lions to lose.

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