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WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT IT?

There is nothing we dislike more than dunsing and collecting, and yet this is necessary is every business. A large number of patrons are indebted to this office in sums of different magnitude, the unajority of whom could pay as without the least possible trouble or inconresience. Some think that their indebtedaces is so small that paying it would be hardly perceptible, but this is a great mistabe, as nearly vice. Mercury. all the receipts in necrepaper offices are in small sums. The number of them is what counts, as if the reader of this paragraph over only a dollar let him not think that its mallaces will prevent its doing any good. Afterdis is read we expect that wanteress. sponses will be given without any delay. Will you be one to comply :

H. P. MOORE, Fre Press Office,

-More zero weather this week. -Council next Tuesday evening. -The original pick-nick-er-The printer.

-The Township Council met last Mon--Pitch holes are numerous in the coun-

-Look aloft! the projecting icicle is once

more causing danger. -The Hamilton Daily Tribuse has been purchased by the Spectator.

-The Assessor will be appointed at next meeting of the Council. Mr. W. W. Ball, of Nassagaweya, has

sold his farm to Mr. Hugh Husband, of Nichol, for \$5,800. -In the Township of Nassagaweya there

were registered last year 68 births. 11 mar riages and 22 deaths. -Mr. Wm. McCraney, M.P., has our

thanks for sessional and other Parliamentary papers of interest. -The decadence of the bang is announced. It is said to be out of date, and hav-

ing served its purpose must go. -Mr. B. H. Taylor bas given up butchering business here, and removed to

a farm in the vicinity of Milton. -Bev. D. L. Brethour, of Milton, was last week elected Grand Chaplain for the Grand Division Sons of Temperance.

-Miss Anna Morton will assume her position as teacher of the second department of the public school next Monday. -Rev. W. W. Dawley, of the Guelph Baptist Church, was presented by his con- Fund. gregation with a gold watch and chain, last week.

-Guelph is inviting an invasion of the Salvation Army. We trust if barracks are opened there the Guelph reporters will be induced to enlist.

-The quarterly meeting of the rural There were three ladies just behind deanery of Halton and Wentworth was and their subdued giggles as he painfully held in the Church of England, George- gathered himself up and brushed the snow town, on Tuesday and Wednesday.

of the Debating Society, in the Town Hall was a street urchin who put the climax to this evening is, "Resolved that influence has raised more men to position than you noospaper feller, air yer goin' to put

-Mr. James F. Kidner, of the "Ten Cent Store," Guelph, has removed to cheaper but better premises, directly opposite the old store. Read his advertisement next week.

-Mr. John Easterbrook, clerk of Nassar gaweya Township Council, has kindly sent us a copy of the minutes of last meeting. Owing to limited space, however, we are unable to insert it this week.

-The carnival in the Georgetown rink last Thursday evening was largely attended. A number of Acton akaters attended. Acton's champion skater, Will Speight, lost his laurels in a race there.

vices were held in the Methodist Church last Bunday. Rev. W. Bryers, paster of successful in their endeavors. Now that the church, administered the Sacrament | the church is about to be opened for public at the close of the morning service.

The Acton representatives to the County Sabbath School Convention at Milton last week were :- Rev. W. Bryers, Mossrs. Jas. Moore, W. H. Howell, H. P. Moore, Mrs. Edward Moore and Miss Mary Brown.

-The Port Elgin Busy Times evidently thinks the editor of the Hanoter Post is in peril. He says :- Oh Seneca G! you may year and those Acton girls will fix you.

-Mesers. Beardmore & Co. are receiving large quantities of hemlock bark from the northern peninsuls. Ten or fifteen cars per week are being received. There are about 1,000 cords of bark piled in the G.T.

smind samples, and learn prices.

Band Carnival. Mr. Fredrick, manager of the skating Halton-where the Scott Act

VILLAGE VARIETIES

Collection of Local news and other matters of special interest to our Village Rraders

The Dog Nusance. -At the last meeting of Nassagawaya Conneil sums aggregating \$103.52 were voted to residents of the county, for sheep

L. O. L. County Officers. The annual meeting of the L. O. District Lodge of the County of Halton, was held at Georgetown on Tuesday, 28th Jan., when the following officers were elected: -- Goo. J. Pinkney, Acton, District Master; John F. Baird, jr., Georgetown, Deputy Master; D. Buchanan, Norval, Chap.; Robt. Armstrong, Milton, Sec.; James Lindsey, er., Milton, Fin. Sec.; John P. Roper, Milton, Treas : Edwin Lindsey, Milton, D. of C. :

Wm. H. Lindsey, Hornby, Lecturer.

Unfermented Wine at Communion. At the monthly meeting of the Congregational Church, Guelph, held last week, the following resolution was unanimously passed, viz:-That whereas according to the Word of God-"It is good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor anything whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended or is made weak," and whereas the appetite for strong drink may be created or tempted by the use of fermented wine at the communion table, be it therefore resolved that in future this church shall use unfermented wine for its communion ser-

Women's Christian Temperance Union. We have received a copy of the minutes of the sixth annual meeting of the Ontario Women's Christian Temperance Union. held at Ottawa, October 16th to 18th, 1883.

with the addresses, reports and constitution of the Union. From this little volume we learn that the ladies connected with the Unions throughout the Province are doing a poble and energetic work for the cause of God and humanity. We would urge upon the good ladies of Acton the advisability of reorganizing their Union, and we feel confident that they are capable of accomplishng much good.

rine Imported Stock While in Milton last week we had the pleasure of a visit to the stock stables of Mesers. Johnson Harrison & Sons, where we were shown a number of fine specimens of imported Percheron Horses. The latest addition to the stock, "Arian," arrived last week, and is one of the finest looking stallions ever brought to the county. He

was foaled in 1890, is almost black in color, and weighs 1850 pounds. "Count of Perch," and "Rival," have been in the possession of Messrs. Harrison & Son for several years. The former travelled through Acton last year and the latter will be put on this route during the coming season.

A Talented Lady Lecturer.

Mrs. Susannah Evans Pech, the wellknown Temperance Lecturer, will deliver an address under the auspices of the Grand Division Sons of Temperance, in the Methodist Church, Acton, on Wednesday even ing, 13th inst., commencing at eight o'clock. The friends of temperance and the public generally are cordially invited to attend and hear this talented lady speak on the great question of Temperance and Prohibition. She has lectured in Toronto and several of our larger towns, receiving en thusiastic receptions, her meetings being largely attended and proving of great benefit to the cause she so ably advocates. Ad mission free. Collection at close of meet ing in aid of Grand Division Lecture

The Slippery Sidewalks. Our reporter was placidly pursuing his way down Mill street yesterday when his feet suddenly shot out from under him, and down he went on the slippery sidewalk, with vastly more velocity than grace. | colors, 10c. At J. E. McGarviu's Drug from the subsequent section of his pants -The subject for debate at the meeting | tended to increase his discomfiture, but his misery by yelling out shrilly: "Hi yithat in the FREE PRESS ?" To chase the little wretch and put the proper punctuation marks upon him was out of the question just then, so the reporter reluctantly swallowed his animosity and slowly limped on his way. .

St. John's Church, Rockwood. We are bleased to be able to announce that the fine new and imposing edifice, which has been in course of construction by the congregation of St. John's Church, Rockwood, during the past two or three yeart, will be opened on Sunday, 24th inst., for divine service. The people of Bockwood and vicinity, in connection with the congregation, are moving in the matter -The regular quarterly communion ser- of the purchase of a bell for the new church, and we understand they will probably be worship it would be gratifying to see the ground about the church cleared of stone and other obstructions, so that the appearance of the surroundings may be as pleasing and attractive as the church itself. At present the contrast is too striking, in this particular.

New Campaign Journal. The initial number of The Appeal and get around the libel suit all right, but leap County of Norfolk Temperance Advocate, four page, semi-monthly journal, published at Waterford, by Rev. T. L. Wilkinson, is to hand. The Appeal is neatly printed from new type, contains a large amount of interesting, instructive, and explanatory matter concerning the Scott Act, its workngs, &c., and will be a valuable auxiliary in the Scott Act campaign just opened in -Printed billheads look business-like, Norfolk County. The fact that Rev. T.L. and cost little more than the blank paper. Wilkinson is at the helm of the concern They make the work of getting out accounts | will be a satisfactory guarantee to the suceasier, too. The FEEZ Pares has a good cess of the journal. There is every reason and cheep line on hand. Call and ex- to believe that the campaign in Norfolk will have a most successful termination. The very best wishes of the people rink, has decided to give a Fanoy Dress factory operation are with those of Nor-Carnival next Monday night, for the bone folk in their endsevers to benish the sursed

may not suffer in the same manner. The

gentleman referred to was suffering very severely with the toothache, and in an effort to subdue the pain he took a quantity of essence of peppermint into his BLOOD. mouth. After holding it in the region o the tooth for a few minutes he removed the lid from the store and spit the peppermint into the fire. It immediately ignited and the flames rushed to his face, burning it very severely. Being manufactured from oil of peppermint and alcohol the essence is very inflammable, and any one using it for the purpose above referred to should do so very carefully.

A peculiar but very painful accident oc

curred to one of our citizens last week, the

particulars of which we give so that others

An Unusual Accident.

Division Court-Tolton vs. Arthurs. This case was tried at the last sitting of the Division Court held at Acton, and excited considerable interest, especially amonget the farming community. The action was brought by Mr. George Tolton, of Guelph, formerly of Acton, against John Arthurs, a farmer residing near Acton, for the sum of \$75.00, for breach of an agreement upon the sale of a span of horses. It appears that Mr. Tolton purchased from Mr. Arthurs a span of horses, for \$300.00. and it turned out afterwards that one of then was permanently lame with a spavin. It was contended by Mr. Tolton that both parties knew that one of the horses was ame, and that a reduction was to be made. It was contended on the other hand by Mr. Arthers that if Mr. Tolton took the horses away he was to pay the full price agreed upon. It was also contended that the sum 1 \$25, which was retained by Mr. Tolton at the time of paying over the purchase money, was a full settlement of all claims lameness. The evidence was lengthy and the case lasted most of the day. Judgment was reserved at the trial, and on Thursday last judgment was given in favor

PERSONALS ..

of defendant Arthurs. E. F. B. Johnson

for plaintiff, W. A. McLean for defendant.

Mr. Percy Secord is spending a few days

Rev. G. A. Bull left on Saturday for his ome in Hamilton Mr. Jos. Gowdy, of Guelph, visited Acton

riends during the week. Mr. James Warren, P.L.S., of Kincardine, is visiting Acton friends.

Board of Education.

The Board of trustees of Acton Public School met in the Council Chamber on Monday, 4th Februay.

Members present, Mr. James Moore, chairman and Mossrs. W. H. Lowry, J. E. McGarrin, Thos. C. Moore and W. P.

Minutes of last meeting read and con-

The finance committee presented their second report recommending payment of the following accounts :-

20.83 Miss. Jennie K., Grant,

The committee also recommended that the sum of two dollars be refunded to Mr Thos. T. Moore, said sum having been paid by him as taxes on Teacher's resi

Moved by Dr. Lowry, seconded by J. E McGarvin, that the report of the Finance Committee just read be adopted.-Carried Upon motion the Board adjourned.

THE GRAVE. WALDIE .- In Burlington, on the 22nd Jan. the beloved wife of Mr. John Waldie

aged 43 years. Do not wear faded clothes when a 100 package of the Triangle Dyes will make them look bright as new. All the popular

Almost every pill contains calomel and other mineral compounds. Dr. Carson's Stomach Bitters is purely vegetable and takes the place of all other purgatives in

large bottles at 50 cents. At this season of the 'year there should be a bottle of Pectoria in every house. I unequalled for Coughs, Colds and Hoarseness, is pleasant, equally safe for children. Price 25 cents at all Druggists.

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Salt Rheum Cared Are you troubled with Salt Rheum, Rough Skin, Pimples or Canker Sores ; if so. go at once to J. E. McGarvin's Drug Store and get a package of Calvert's Carbolic Cerate. Price twenty-five cents. It was

A Paralytic Stroke. W. H. Howard, of Geneva, N. Y., suffered with palsy and general debility, and spent a small fortune in advertised remedles, without avail, until he tried Burdock Blood

Bitters. It purified and revitalised the

blood, caused it to circulate freely, and

quickly restored him to health. Chadwick, of Arcadia, Wayne Co., writes; 'I have had severe attacks of Asthma for several years. I commenced taking Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil. The first dose relieved me in one hour. I continued taking it in teaspoonful doses for a few days, and have not head an attack of it since,

now nearly one year.'

Bucklen's Arnos Selve. The best salve in the world for Outs. Bruises, Soros, Ulcers, Balt Rheum, Fever sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilbiains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles or no pay required. is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box.

For sale by J. E. McGarvin. The best Proof, THE SLORE. "I sell more Bardock Blood Bitters than I do of any other preparation in stock," says B. Jackes, draggist, Toronto. If the read or will ask any druggist in the city he will get a similar answer to his quary-a proof that is it is most popular medicine for the blood, fiver had kideeys known,

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18 lbs. Sugar, 5 lbs. 50 cent Tea, \$1.75 Lamp, 40 cent Pitcher, for . \$5.00 6 lbs. 25c. Tea, 1 Toilet Sett. (4 Pieces), 1 doz. Tea Plates, 6 lbs. Currants (new), 6 lbs. Raisins (new), 1 covered dish, for 12 lbs. Sugar, 1 Sett Dishes, 70c Platter, 30c Pitcher, 2 lbs. &c Tea, for \$5.00. 1 Toilet Sett (9 pieces), 55c. Fruit Dish, \$1.50 Lamp, 18b. 50c. Tea, n3c5B.2a ofSraop s, r 1 doz. Breakfast Plates, \$1.25 Glass Sett, 2 lbs. 75c. Tea, 2 lbs. 40c. Coffee, \$1 Cup and Saucer, 8 lbs. Biscuits, for

5 lbs. 40c. Tea, 10 lbs. Granulated Sugar, 1 doz. Goblets, 75c. Glass Pitcher, 1 doz. Dinner Plates, for doz. China Cups & Saucers, \$1.25 Cake Basket, 90c. Fruit Dish, 3 lb. 75c. Tea, (Black or Green), for I doz. Cups & Saucers, 90c. Platter, 30c. Scollop, 40c. Pitcher, 75c. Fruit Dish, \$1.25 Glass Sett. Broom, 15 lbs. Rice, for

6j lbs. Sugar, 2 lbs. 50c. Tea, 1 lb. Coffee, 4 Packages Corn Starch, 10 lbs. Rice, and a 60c. Lamp, 8 15c. Bowls, 2 Covered Dishes, 1 Pickle Dish, 60c., for 1 lb. Tobacco, 1 Large Tub, Wash Board, Scrub Brush, 1 Sett Colord dishes (Blue), for dos. Nickel Silvel Forks, doz. Nickel Silver Dessert Spoons, \$3.00 Lamp, 6 Large Cakes Toilet Soap, for

Bbl. Herrings, 50c. Lamp, Pitcher, 2 gallons Coal Oil, for \$5.00 STRICTLY CASH SALE FOR 15 DAYS,

P. BROWN & CO'S STORE

We have decided for the next 30 days to offer our large stock of Winter Goods, consisting of Overcoats, Ready-made Clothing, Mantles, Mantle Cloths, Knitted Goods, in Shawls, Clouds, Hoods, &c., at less than cost price.

We are offering No. 1 Value in Gentleman's Lamb Caps, Felt Hats and Caps. A First class Stylish Hat from 50 cents up.

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