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Acton Free Press.

TUESDAY MORNING, MARCH 30, 1881.

BITS OF BREVIETY.

Several other articles, prepared by the use of the pen and adobe for readers of the Free Press. Sleighting is pretty nearly done for this season. Shamrocks were predominant last Monday. Another St. Patrick's day has passed quietly into time. Thunder and lightning have got down to business again. As ye sow, so shall ye reap—advertise in the Free Press. Regular meeting of the Municipal Council next Tuesday evening. What shoemaker is that who makes shoes without leather?—The farmer. There has been quite a butter famine here lately. It is a scarce article yet. Rev. G. Scarr, of Rockside, will preach in the Methodist Church next Sunday evening. Ladies are advised to take in their completions during the prevalence of the March winds. The snow shovel so freely used this winter will soon be put on the superannuated list until next season. We are in receipt of a budget of Newsbreaks papers from Mrs. P. S. Armstrong, formerly of Acton. Thanks. A couple of tramps were accommodated in the cells last Friday night, two more on Sunday night, and four on Monday night. Mr. C. C. Speight announces that he is prepared to repair or revarnish second-hand baggies, cutters, etc., and make them good as new. Try him. If the influx of tramps is any indication that spring is approaching, it is certainly near. There is a superabundant supply of them at present. The Salvation Army are pushing their revival work in Guelph, and already upwards of a hundred recruits have evinced a desire to turn to God and "Flee from the wrath to come." The members of St. Alban's Church are talking of purchasing the Congregational Church. It would suit them admirably, and we would be pleased to see it in use by some religious denomination. The last carnival of the season in Acton Skating Rink is announced for this evening. The manager promises good ice for the occasion, Acton Cornet Band will be present, several prizes are offered. The days are approaching when the tidy housewife, with her head encased in a towel, will begin house cleaning and throw empty salinon and tomato cans over the fence for the benefit of her neighbor. Messrs. Wm. Bennett and Walter Lamb, of Nasagaweya, inform us that one day last week they sawed one and a half cords of maple wood in thirty-two minutes with a lance-tooth saw. Pretty good. The weather has taken a sudden change within the last week or so, and gives some promise of spring. The snow mantle is gathering itself up preparatory to an entire folding for some time to come. The advance agent of the Lord's Army—an offshoot of the Salvation Army—visited Milton last week in order to engage a public hall for the Army meetings. He met with little encouragement; but eventually secured the old temperance hall. We have received a copy of an address on the Land Transfer Reform, delivered by J. Herbert Mason, before the Canadian Institute, Toronto. The pamphlet contains an able and exhaustive review of the Toronto System, and presents strong arguments in favor of its introduction into Ontario.

Another snow storm last night. Our local milliners are preparing for their spring openings. Five and ten dollar bills of the New Central Bank of Canada are now in circulation. The question of higher dog tax will probably come up at the Council meeting next Tuesday evening. A communication by 'Defendant' against the Tolton vs. Arthur case is unavoidably crowded out of this issue. Yesterday was Court day in Acton, but only a light docket was presented. The matter before the court consisted altogether of judgment summonses and undefended suits. Little Jack, to his schoolmate on their way to school yesterday morning: "My mamma's china tea set is hand-painted." Little Ned: "Pooh! who cares; our whole fence is." To hear the expressions of some local Reformers respecting the big bribery job at Toronto, one would imagine they were pleased that the infamous piece of business had taken place. Mr. C. W. Hill continues to lead in producing photos of all styles and sizes in the most commendable manner. Many prefer Mr. Hill's photos to those of city artists. If you desire anything in his line call and examine his specimens. Now ye merchant who doth not advertise, pack up your blankets, your buffalo robes, your furs and heavy winter goods in nice brown paper, and next fall you can bring them out as "new fall and winter goods." The advertising merchant needs no such hint. He has sold all his heavy winter goods some time ago. VILLAGE VARIETIES. A Collection of Local news and other matters of special interest to our Village Readers. No Place Like Home. There are many persons in town paying from \$5 to \$10 per month for rent of the dwellings they occupy, who could purchase lots and erect residences for themselves with the amount paid in rent in the course of five or ten years. By doing this they would not only have a home of their own but would assist in improving the town. New Blacksmith Shop. Messrs. Stephenson Bros. have purchased the property on Main street, opposite Mr. James Cameron's residence, upon which the old California House stood for so many years. The property contains half an acre and Messrs. Stephenson intend erecting a large blacksmith shop thereon. Part of the timber is already on the ground for this purpose. Another Skating Race. Arrangements have been completed for a five minute race between S. Mills, Guelph, champion of Wellington, and W. Speight, of this village, champion of Halton, to take place in Georgetown to-morrow (Friday) evening. The winner will receive a prize of \$40, and his opponent \$10. Considerable interest is manifested in the race by our local skating fraternity. Skating Championship. A five minute skating race for the championship of the county took place in Milton rink last Friday evening. The competitors were, Speight, Acton; Johnson, Milton; and Bell, Burlington. Speight led the race throughout, and at the expiration was considerably in advance of Johnson, the Burlington man being left altogether in the rear. And now Billy is the champion of the county, and consequently the favorite with all. Business Change. Mr. Robert Crooch has disposed of his harness business to Mr. James Morton, of Port Huron, Mich. Mr. Crooch intends devoting his attention more especially to market gardening and small fruits, in which venture we trust he will meet with every encouragement and satisfaction. We understand Mr. Morton intends removing the business to Kelly's store next to the Canada Glove Works. Nasagaweya Concert. The concert at Brookville last Thursday evening was fairly attended. The programme proved to be an excellent one, and was well carried out, and all present apparently enjoyed the proceedings. Mr. Thurston, musical director, did all in his power to make the affair a success. At the close of the concert a cake contest took place between Miss Anderson, a member of the singing class, and Miss Smith, an outsider. Voting was lively for some time, and Miss Anderson walked off with the cake. Spring's Advancement. This is the month when squirrel tracks, fox tracks and rabbit tracks are thick in the snowy woods, and when the juvenile trapper has an eye open for game. It is mornings like these that the farmer's boy rushes in to say that old Spot has a new calf, or bears in a shivering lamb to be warmed in a blanket by the kitchen fire. On the sunny side of a log the bronze ante can be seen straddling about in an ill-humored kind of way—in short, all nature points to the coming of gentle spring. An Actonian's Success in Dakota. The Minneapolis Canadian American, in referring to settlers in Dakota, has the following:—John McAndrew, St. Thomas, Pembina county, formerly of Acton, Halton county, Ontario, says: "I own 160 acres of land. Much has been said of the severity of Dakota's climate, but having lived in New York state and Minnesota for a number of years, I must say that this climate suits me as well as any. I find that I can acquire more property here in a shorter time than in any other part of the country." Do any of our citizens remember Mr. McAndrew? The Folly of Libel Suits. It ought to be plain by this time to men with a grievance against newspapers that nothing is so profitable as the libel suit, if vindication is considered desirable. If a wrong is done, either knowingly or unwittingly, the newspaper is always willing to right it. But of the hundreds of libel suits tried during the past few years those which have reconstructed the character of the libelles may be counted on the fingers of one hand. The best advice to give a man who contemplates a libel suit against a newspaper is embodied in French's hackneyed but positive words, "Don't."

The Baptist Chapel. Rev. Dr. Cault, Principal of McMaster Hall, Toronto, will (D.V.) preach in the Baptist Chapel next Sunday afternoon, at 8 o'clock. New Educational Journal. The School Supplement is the name of a new monthly paper just issued by Eaton, Gibson & Co., of Toronto. It is an excellent journal for the teacher, and typographically it is one of the prettiest specimens printed on the continent. Grip Printing and Publishing Co., of Toronto, have just removed to their new premises on Front street. It is claimed that this is the best equipped printing and publishing house in the Dominion, and judging from the descriptions of the city papers we have no doubt the claim is well founded. It is pleasing to know that Grip's merits are properly appreciated by the public, and the prosperity of its enterprising publishers is the best evidence that they are. Canadians may well feel proud of their comic weekly. It well deserves the hearty support accorded it. Golden Wedding. On the morning of the 19th March, 1881, there were to two individuals in the township of Barton, County of Westworth, happier than Mr. Anson Smith and Miss Nancy Petrucci, as on that day they became pledged in matrimonial bonds to a life partnership. On Tuesday of this week the old lady and gentleman, who are now residents of Acton, with a large circle of friends, including children, grand-children, and great-grand-children, met at the residence of their son-in-law, Mr. W. H. Storey, Reeve, to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the happy event. A very pleasant time was spent, and the company enjoyed the many reminiscences recounted by Mr. and Mrs. Smith. The old couple are still enjoying good health, and we trust they will be spared to celebrate their diamond wedding. The Local Editor's Position. The country editor has the advantage of his city brother in that he lives nearer his readers than the city editor does. The country editor knows by sight and by name a goodly portion of his subscribers, and to a large extent he is familiar with their family history. He personally congratulates them on the birth of a child and sympathizes with them when death takes a loved one from the family circle. He attends the funerals, the weddings, the anniversaries, and all other sorts of gatherings. He joins their societies, religious and otherwise, acts as President or Secretary, or as a private member, discusses questions with them, writes essays and delivers speeches. He is identified with all sorts of local enterprises, and tries to make himself generally "useful as well as ornamental."—Dawson Advertiser. Honor to whom Honor is Due. We have had no occasion to use Warner's Safe Care, so largely advertised in these columns during the past year or so, but have pleasure in testifying to the integrity of Messrs. H. H. Warner & Co., Rochester, N.Y., proprietors, as our business relations have always been of the most congenial character. This firm is not only liberal with newspaper men, but have proved themselves always ready to assist the needy in time of calamity, and as well as in public enterprises of various kinds. \$2,500 were donated to the sufferers in the floods at Cincinnati. Lately a splendid observatory with magnificent equipments has been erected at their expense and presented to the city. These things may be good advertisements, but they are creditable even after all the discount the veriest cynic can knock off has been taken. Investment and Savings Society. The report of the Guelph and Ontario Investment and Savings Society, which appears in another column, exhibits a state of affairs which must be gratifying to the depositors and debenture holders, as it undoubtedly was to the shareholders present at the annual meeting. From the increased amount invested in the Society's debentures it is inferred that the public fully appreciate the safe and substantial nature of these securities, and the prudence and economy with which the business is conducted. The cash value of mortgages, the reserve fund and the Savings Bank deposits all show a large increase over the figures of last year and good results have been produced by the system of accepting no loan until after the property has been inspected by a director, the manager, or some disinterested and reliable valuator. The mortgages held by the Society are in every respect first-class, and a comparison with the reports of other similar institutions throughout the Province proves that the Guelph and Ontario stands in the front ranks as regards prosperity, stability and good management. PERSONALS. Mrs. McGill, of Fergus, visited Acton friends last week. Mr. John R. Barber and wife, of Georgetown, are in Florida. E. S. Ruthven, of Regius, has been visiting his old friends at Milton. The school girls have brought the skipping rope into requisition again. Miss Edie Smith, of Bolton, is visiting friends at the Methodist Parsonage, Acton. We had a pleasant call yesterday morning from Mr. W. B. Smith, of Brighton. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Mann, of Guelph, visited friends in Acton and vicinity this week. Miss Maggie Moore left last week to take a situation in a millinery establishment at St. Catharines. Miss Annie Laidlaw, of Oakville, is studying at the New England conservatory of music, Boston. Mr. H. H. Wilson, of Ancaster, was the guest of Mr. W. E. Smith, of Bower Avenue, a couple of days last week. Mr. Charles Midgley, who has spent three years in the confectionery business with his uncle at Montreal, returned home on Monday. Roller Mills, Georgetown. "That was No. 1 flour you gave me—our bread is nice and spongy." Is what the farmers tell us. Come along with your grating and have good bread. 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