

Arbor Day.

We are pleased to say that the Council, acting upon the suggestions of the Free Press last week, has taken the matter of appointing a special day for planting trees on the streets, into consideration. At the meeting last Tuesday evening a resolution was passed, asking the Reeve to proclaim Thursday, May 1st, a public holiday, for this purpose.

This matter will be referred to more particularly in our next issue, when we will present to our readers the provisions of the municipal By-law respecting the planting of trees on the streets, so that all engaging in this good work may do so legally and intelligently and with a view to general uniformity.

Notes and Comments.

The House of Commons will, it is thought, prorogue this week.

An organization composed of prominent citizens, has been formed in Toronto called the Temperance Electoral Union.

The Grand Secretary of the Independent Order of Oddfellows, having written to Hon. Edward Blake in relation to his recent speech on the Orange Bill, Mr. Blake replies that his criticisms of secret societies included neither the Masons nor the Odd-fellows.

Mr. Charlton's seduction bill, which passed the House of Commons, was thrown out by the Senate. It is about time the old ladies of the Senate were sent about their business. The people will not much longer tolerate having their will thwarted by an irresponsible chamber of political pensioners.

The most crushing objection thus far recorded to the scheme for converting the Sahara into a sea has just dropped from the pen of a statistician, who calculates that a canal 100 feet wide and twenty five feet deep, with a flow of four miles an hour, would require several thousand years to flood the desert.

In Halifax, it appears from the best and most authentic information, liquor is sold to an enormous extent.—Brantford Telegram. Yes, if 10 or 15 barrels of liquor sold in a year is enormous then Halifax's sales under the Scott Act are enormous. The above is the real amount sold, as shown by government statistics.

The Methodist Union bill has now passed both the Commons and the Senate, and only awaits the royal assent for it to become law. A similar measure was introduced into the Local Legislature, and passed without opposition. The only change of importance made in both bills was to alter the date on which the Union should take place from July 1st to June 1st.

The Ontario Minister of Education has issued a circular to inspectors requiring them to examine into and report on each school as to whether the pupils therein have been required to get unauthorized text books. It is found that many of the complaints against the educational system in regard to the frequent changes of text books are founded, not in the changes authorized by the department, but in the illegal substitution of unauthorized books.

While Goldwin Smith in his weak way is agitating the annexation of the entire Dominion to the United States, the common sense of Canada is wholly against it. Those who are not ever loyal to England want independence. If they want anything, there is no more talk or wish or feeling about this question of annexation in Canada than there is in the United States.—N. Y. World.

CHANCERY SITTINGS.

WALLACE vs WALLACE.

The following report of the contested will case in re the above parties, from the *Georgian Herald*, will no doubt be interesting to our readers:

Wallace vs Wallace.—An action in which the defendant, Benjamin Wallace, of the township of Esquimaux, sought to have the will of his father, the late Benj. Wallace, of the township of Napanee, declared invalid on the ground of the mental incapacity of the testator and undue influence on the part of the executors and legatees named in the will. The executors applied for Probate to the Surrogate Court of the county of Halton, when the same was opposed by Benjamin Wallace, and upon application being made to the chancery division the matter was transferred to that court and directed to be tried at Guelph. Judgment was given declaring the will valid, and ordering probate to issue all costs incurred by the plaintiffs, the executors, including the costs of a defendant in chancery, to be paid by defendant. W. Cassels, J.C., and W. A. McLean for the executors; J. A. Mowat for the legatees; D. Guthrie, Q.C., for the plaintiff; J. Dewar for the contestant.

Incendary Fires.

On Monday morning the stables belonging to Mr. H. James, of Glen Williams, and Mr. John Harley, of Georgetown, were consumed by fire. Mr. Harley lost a quantity of hay, etc., his cow was also badly burnt. Mr. James lost his horse, harness and buggy, also a quantity of fuel. As Mr. James and Mr. Harley are constant and have taken an active part in enforcing the Scott Act there can be no difficulty in coming to a correct conclusion as to the class of people who instigated and perpetrated this crime. The policy is an insane one and will rest on the heads of the hotel keepers and their friends.—*Georgetown Herald*.

Acton Municipal Council.

Council met on Tuesday evening. Members present, Mr. W. H. Storey, Reeve, in the chair, and Messrs. C. S. Smith, Wm. Immond, and Donald Cameron. Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

Mr. C. B. Griffin, Mrs. S. A. Secord, and Mr. G. O. Hynd, addressed the council with reference to the raising of that portion of the sidewalk on the west side of Mill street, between Pearson's Hardware Store and Main street.

The matter was referred to the street and sidewalk committee, they to report at next meeting.

The Reeve and several members of the council referred to the matter of appointing a special day for the planting of shade trees in the municipality, endorsing the scheme as presented in the columns of the *Free Press* last week.

The Finance Committee presented their sixth report, recommending payment of the following accounts:

Thos. Cook, street lamp account, \$18.00
Thos. Easton, care of traps, 5.40
Hugh Hyder, shovelling snow, 75

222.15

Moved by C. S. Smith, seconded by D. Cameron, that the report of the Finance Committee be adopted.—Carried.

Moved by C. S. Smith, seconded by W. Immond, that the Reeve be requested to set apart Thursday, the first day of May, as "Arbor Day," to be observed by our citizens for the purpose of planting shade trees, according to the regulation of By-law of this village.—Carried.

The Street and Sidewalk Committee presented their first report, recommending the following improvements:

NEW SIDEWALKS.

Sixty-three rods of three-foot sidewalk on Yonge Street, from Wm. Immond's residence eastward.

Twenty-one rods of three-foot sidewalk on John Street, from Church to Angus St.

Seventy-three rods of four-foot sidewalk on Bower Avenue, from Willow to Wilbur Street.

Total, 157 rods of new sidewalk, at an estimated cost of \$212.

COLLECTORS.

Two at corner of Frederick and Church Streets.

One on Mill Street, opposite Mr. Lawson's property.

One between Mill and Church Streets, on Frederick Street.

One on Yonge Street.

Total, five collectors at cost of say \$2.00 each, \$10.00

CHANGERS.

One on Bower Avenue, at Willow Street.

One on Mill Street, at Wilbur Street.

Total, two at a cost of say \$2 each, \$2.

STREET LAMPS.

Three on Yonge Street.

Three on Bower Avenue.

One on Mill Street, near Nucklin's mill.

Total, seven lamps at a cost of say \$4.25 each, \$29.75.

TOTAL.

Total estimated expenditure for the proposed work, \$255.75.

Estimated expenditure for other work and repairing old sidewalks, \$114.25.

Moved by W. Immond, seconded by D. Cameron, that the first report of the Committee on Streets and Sidewalks be adopted, and that the sum of \$400 be placed to the credit of the Street and Sidewalk Committee to enable them to carry out the said work.—Carried.

Council then adjourned.

PERSONALS.

Mr. Ed. Hemstret left last week for Port Huron.

Mr. Hiram Wooden left Thursday for Peck, Mich.

Mr. James Ryder, of Petrolia, was in town this week.

Mrs. Edward Moore spent Easter with friends in Guelph.

Mrs. Jas. F. Smyth, of Toronto, is visiting friends in Acton.

Miss Annie M. Moore spent Easter with her Brampton friends.

Miss Aggie Allan paid her Zimmerman friends an Easter visit.

Miss M. Nelson spent Easter holidays with friends in Toronto.

Miss Annie Jaço, of Rockwood, visited Acton friends this week.

Miss Anna Morton spent her Easter holidays in Georgetown.

Mr. A. E. Matthews visited Toronto friends during the holidays.

Mrs. John Speight and Mrs. H. P. Moore are visiting friends in Clifford.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Smith, of Gianford, visited Acton friends this week.

Mr. Percy Secord, who has been ill in Toronto, is now at home recuperating.

Mr. J. T. Hemstret, of Shelburne, gave his Acton friends a call on Good Friday.

Mr. Bobt. H. Watson, of Point Edward, was in town several days during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. T. Moore visited their friends in King, York Co., during the week.

Mr. James Firstbrook, of Toronto, spent a couple of days last week with his Acton friends.

Rev. Chas. Cook, of Parliament St. Baptist Church, Toronto, visited his old home last week.

Mr. B. Atkins and family, of Hamilton, were the guests of Mr. A. A. Secord several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. James McLam and Mrs. Joe. Leiby paid Stratford friends a visit during the week.

Mr. James Lamb left on Monday for Devil's Lake, Dakota, where he intends engaging in the grain business.

Mr. Lewis B. Fox, of Toronto, formerly accountant for Messrs. W. H. Storey & Son, spent Good Friday with friends here.

Mr. D. S. Hamilton, accountant for White, Joselin & Co., Toronto, was a guest at Poplar Vale farm, Esquimaux, during the week.

Misses Kate and Lizzie McLean, of Milton, and Miss Conita, of Brampton High School, were the guests of Mr. John Warren and family during the week.

A MARVELOUS STORY

TOLD IN TWO LETTERS.

FROM THE SON: "On Cedar St. New Orleans, Mr. Fisher rides at Guelph, N. Y. He has been a great sufferer from Scrofula, and the enclosed letter will tell you what a marvelous cure."

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 scrofulous sores 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, when he began using your medicine. Now, there are few men of his age who enjoy as good health as he is. I could easily name fifty persons who would testify to the facts in his case.

Yours truly, W. M. FULLEA."

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 75 years of age. Many inquiries which have wrought such a cure in my case, and I tell them, as I have here tried to tell you, AYER'S SARSAPARILLA. Guelph, N. Y., Oct. 12, 1883. Yours faithfully, HIRSH FULLEA."

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THE ORACLE. SHARP—In Esquimaux, on the 16th inst., the wife of Mr. James Sharp, of a son.

THE ALTAR. BOELL—Stewart—At the Methodist Parsonage, Acton, on the 16th inst. by Rev. W. Bryers, George Rozell, of Erin, to Selina Symons, of Everton.

ALLEN—EVELL—At St. Alban's Parsonage, on the 20th inst. by Rev. W. J. Pigitt, B.A., Mr. John Allan, of Erin, to Miss Rebecca Sewal, of Eramosa.

WOODLAND—ROWLAND—At the Methodist Parsonage, Rockwood, by Rev. W. W. Woodland, Merchant, Darlington, to Miss Catharine Rowland, of Toronto.

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. Fyle's.

—If you want a nobby, durable and cheap suit, J. Fyle's is the place to go.

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

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

For beauty and durability of color the Triangle Package Dyes "beat the world." If you never used dyes before, do so now and be convinced. 10.

—Scotch, English and Canadian Sewing in great variety; at the East End Clothing store, J. Fyle, Acton.

Wife—"What's the matter now, John? Husband—Oh, that scrofula and tooth-ache near kills me.

Wife—"Why don't you go to J. E. McGarrin's Drug Store and get a bottle of Fluid Lightening? You know it cures all such things as Toothache, Neuralgia, Headache, Lumbago, Erysipelas, Sore Throat, etc. It gives instant relief. 25

A three Cornered Weapon. The triangular shape of the Triangle Dye Package added to their undoubted superiority have won the day and driven all others from the field. 20 colors. 10c. at J. E. McGarrin's Drug Store, Acton. 37

Having spared no expense in repairing my mill, and having put in the latest and most improved machinery, I am now prepared to turn out

A No. 1 Roller Flour, Equal to any made in Canada. We chop every day. Give us a trial. We guarantee satisfaction.

J. T. ROSE, Georgetown.

WANTED, IMMEDIATELY. A Carpenter for St. Alban's Church, Acton. For particulars apply to GEO. HYNDTS. Acton, April 15, '84.

COAL FOR Sale. The undersigned intends keeping constantly on hand a stock of hard and soft stove 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.

For The Ladies. MRS. R. OREOH Desires to hereby intimate to the ladies of Acton and surrounding country that she will open a full assortment of Ladies and children's UNDERWEAR about the second week in April, in the shop formerly used by Mr. Green as a harness shop. The patronage of all is respectfully solicited. MRS. R. OREOH.

2,000 CORDS HEMLOCK BARK WANTED. The subscribers will pay \$5.50 PER CORD For all prime quality Hemlock Bark delivered at their Tannery in Acton before November 1st, 1884. Bark must be barked on fresh flat, and four feet long. Cords or damaged bark only received at a proportionate reduction. We wish it distinctly understood no bark will be received for the first of November without special contract. Any other information will be gladly furnished upon application at the tannery to MR. C. H. WILSON. Beardmore & Co. Acton, April, 1884.

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In our PRINT DEPARTMENT we show over 400 patterns, ranging from 5c. to 25c. per yard. In White and grey COTTONS we are giving some very close quotations, as we have been enabled to secure some special values. We have an immense stock of Shirts, Cottonades, etc., etc., at all prices.

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This department is under the supervision of Miss Tilany, a First Class Milliner. As we have a magnificent stock of Millinery Goods, we feel satisfied that we can furnish first-class Millinery at as reasonable prices as any house in the trade. Remember our Opening Day.

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Acton, April 1st, 1884.