

CANNED GOODS.

During the last session of the Dominion Parliament, a number of amendments were made to the Weights and Measures Act of 1870, of which the following is a most important one:—

Every hermetically sealed package of canned goods, such as fruit, vegetables, fish and the like, shall have the weight of the contents of the tin, can, or package containing the same legibly marked on it; and any packer or other person found guilty of selling or exposing for sale such goods, in any such tin can or package, on which the weight of the contents is not marked, or on which such weight is misrepresented, shall for the first offence incur a penalty of two dollars for each such tin, can or package, and for each subsequent offence a penalty of not less than three nor more than twenty dollars for each such tin, can or package.

This section shall come into force on the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five.

The "Prairie Farmer."

The old friends of The Prairie Farmer, and many farmers all over the West and East, too, will be glad to learn of the good fortune that has come to this time honored journal, which for nearly half a century (43 years) has been doing good service to and for the agricultural interests of our country. The number of May 3rd announces that, henceforth, The Prairie Farmer will be under the Editorial Direction and Business Management of Mr. Orange Judd, who, after more than a quarter of a century of service at the head of the American Agriculturist, has left his former field to other hands, and removed near Chicago, a thousand miles nearer to hundreds of thousands of his older enterprising readers who have preceded him to the West. The number before us gives evidence of the vigor and experience he brings to his new field of work. All who want specimens of the paper as it is, and is to be, and to enjoy its advantages, can have The Prairie Farmer, weekly, from May 1st, up to 1885, by sending a single dollar to Prairie Farmer Publishing Company, 130 Monroe St., Chicago, Ill.

Notes and Comments.

The Wisconsinian publishes very encouraging crop reports from all points west and south of Winnipeg.

The latest rumor in political circles is, that Mr. Beatty, M. P. for West Toronto, is to be taken into the Cabinet.

The Presbyterian Synod of Ottawa and Montreal have adopted an overture deploring the intensity of party politics.

There was great excitement in Wall Street, New York, last week. Scenes of the sort to be remembered as "Black Friday" re-enacted. Five large brokerage houses and the Metropolitan Bank closed their doors. This was the largest panic since "Black Friday."

The Silcox murder, the Lanier murder, the McCabe murder, the Phipps murder, the Mrs. Henley suspected murder—all these have been brought up in the courts of Ontario during the last few weeks. Not a very creditable showing for the premier province.

The Commissioners for enquiring into the conspiracy case, appointed under the Act passed last session, are:—Vice Chancellor Proffondoff, of the Court of Chancery; Judge Scott, of Brampton; and Judge Fenwick, of St. Catharines. The commission will probably enter upon its work early in July.

The two interested parties are actively organizing for the Scott Act campaign, and the head centers of both are in Toronto. The Scott Act people have no lack of speakers, but they lack funds. The Licensed Victuallers have plenty of money, but they lack speakers. One deficiency is about as bad as the other.

King Dods and Bell are the main stay and back bone of the latter party for general work. James Fisher has been engaged at a big salary to stump the county of Simcoe, and the temperance people will find him a hard opponent to overcome. But three men cannot do all the work and the Licensed Victuallers are hard pushed. They offered a prominent Conservative orator \$300 a week and expensed the other day to take up the cudgels on their behalf, but he declined. The battle will last all summer. —Toronto News.

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Acton Municipal Council.

The council met on Tuesday evening. Members present, Mr. W. H. Storey, Reeve, and Messrs. C. S. Smith, Wm. Immond and Donald Cameron.

A communication was received from Rev. D. B. Cameron, claiming \$26 for five lambs killed by dogs, one worried, and six ewes robbed of their lambs; and also one from Mrs. S. A. Secord, finding fault with the council for the decision of their committee of the whole respecting the raising of the sidewalk on the south side of Mill street.

Mr. Henderson entered and took his seat. The Finance committee presented their eighth report, recommending payment of the following:— Thomas Cook, lamplighter, on acct., \$7.00 H. P. Moore, Adv. Auditors' Report, 38.75 \$45.75

Report adopted. Moved by D. Henderson, seconded by D. Cameron, that the first meeting of the Court of Revision for the current year be held in the council chamber on the 17th June, at 8.30 p. m., and that the clerk give notice of such meeting, also that the time for putting in appeals shall expire on the 6th day of June proximo.—Carried.

Moved by Wm. Immond, seconded by C. S. Smith, that the sum of twenty dollars be granted to assist the band, in recognition of their services to this community.—Carried.

Whereas by an act passed by the Legislature of Ontario, entitled the Public Health Act of 1884, it is enacted that there shall be a local Board of Health in each incorporated village, it is moved by D. Henderson, seconded by D. Cameron, and resolved, that the local Board of Health for the village of Acton for the current year shall consist of the Reeve and Clerk as ex-officio members, and Gabriel Wells, H. P. Moore and Dr. Lowry, as ratepayers, and that the seal of the corporation be attached to this resolution.—Carried.

The tenders of Williamson Ramshaw, for three foot running sidewalk, and John M. Stephens, for four foot sidewalk, and that of J. C. Hill, for new street lamps, were accepted. Wm. Hemstreet, constable, was appointed poundkeeper during the pleasure of the Council. Council then adjourned.

Nassagaweya News.

New Saw Mill.—Last Thursday Mr. Robert Black raised his new saw mill on lot 21, con. 2, Nassagaweya. It is large being 64 feet long, and with the shingle factory attached to it makes it a fine looking building. He will begin cutting logs about the first of June.

Church Improvements.—The Presbyterians in Haltonville do not like the idea of being idle in the way of making improvements in or about the Manse or Church. They have now in consideration the erection of a gallery and a number of extra seats to be put in their church. The congregation is growing so rapidly that there appears to be a dearth in the way of seats and this state of affairs is going to be remedied. It speaks well for the congregation that they are so attentive to the wants of the people in the way of providing for their spiritual wants, and it also speaks well for Rev. Mr. Neil that the congregation is increasing so rapidly. We wish both minister and people success in their good work.

Burglary at Glenwilliams.

The residence of Mr. Francis Clark, of Glenwilliams, is reported to have been entered last Saturday morning by a burglar, who succeeded in making away with cash to the amount of \$1,050. It appears that Mr. Clark had arrived home from Windsor the day previous with that amount, which he put in his pants pocket and slept with them under his head. About one or two o'clock in the morning he became aware of them being gently drawn from under him, and sprang up in time to see a man leaving the room, and followed him down stairs and fired a revolver at him. As no trace of the ball could be found afterwards, it is presumed it struck the burglar somewhere, who immediately grabbed a chair, threw it through the window, and then sprang through himself and made good his escape. The pants were found afterwards some distance from the house.

Runaway Accident.

On Sunday morning, when Mr. Hugh Campbell, of Nassagaweya, was driving to church his horses became frightened at a falling wood pile, when near Nicklin's mill, and in his endeavor to control them the lines broke, and he was consequently powerless to stop them. They rushed madly up Mill street, and the carriage was upset opposite the Methodist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Arch. Campbell were thrown out, Mr. Hugh Campbell and Miss Martha Thompson having jumped out previously. None of the occupants were seriously injured but Miss Thompson, whose ankles and right hip were very severely sprained. The tongue of the rig was broken and the harness was considerably damaged.

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THE ORACLE.

CARWELL.—At the Church of England parsonage, Georgetown, on the 8th inst, the wife of Rev. Canon Carwell, M.A. of a daughter.

THE ALTAR.

HART—McNEN.—At the Manse, Acton, on the 14th inst, by Rev. D. B. Cameron, Mr. Joseph Hart, Erasmus, to Catharine, daughter of John McNeil, Esq., Erin.

VOLLERT.—JOS.—In St. Alban's Church, Acton, on the 15th inst, by Rev. W. J. Pigott, B.A., Mr. Wesley Vollert, of Hamilton, to Miss Sarah Job, of Acton.

RAYN—MERRIE.—At the residence of the bride's father, on the 6th inst, by the Rev. John Neil, Charles E. Rayn agent C.V.R., to Margaret J., eldest daughter of James Merrie, Esq., all of Campbellville.

ROZ.—DICKSON.—At the residence of the bride's father, on the 30th April, by Rev. W.G. Wilson, Mr. Charles C. Roz to Miss Agnes R. daughter of William Dickson, Esq., agent N. & N.W. Railway, all of Georgetown.

A MARVELOUS STORY TOLD IN TWO LETTERS.

FROM THE SON: "On Cedar St., New York, I commenced the use of AYER'S 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 18 years of age. Many inquire what has wrought these improvements, and I tell them, as I have before tried to tell you, AYER'S Sarsaparilla. Glover, Vt., Oct. 21, 1883. YOURS faithfully, W. M. PHELPS."

FROM THE FATHER: "It is both 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 18 years of age. Many inquire what has wrought these improvements, and I tell them, as I have before tried to tell you, AYER'S Sarsaparilla. Glover, Vt., Oct. 21, 1883. YOURS faithfully, HENRY PHELPS."

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PREPARED BY Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass. Sold by all Druggists; \$1, six bottles for \$5.

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

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

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

—Scotch, English and Canadian Suits in great variety, at the East End Clothing store, J. Fyfe, Acton.

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

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

Wife—What's the matter now, John? Husband—Oh, that neuralgia and toothache near kills me.

Wife—(Why don't you go to J. E. McGarvin's Drug Store and get a bottle of Fluid Lightning? You know it cures all such things as Toothache, Neuralgia, Headache, Lumbago, Earache, Sore Throat, &c. It gives instant relief.

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; if allowed to continue very serious results may follow. "BWAYR'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.

Prominent among the greatest medical discoveries, by the many cures it has effected, McGarvin's Spongy Cure leads the van. Subjected to the minutest chemical analysis, it has been found to contain one of those injurious ingredients characterizing the worthless specific daffs offered to the public. Every ingredient possesses a peculiar adaptability to the various complaints for which it is being compounded, and its efficacy is being established by testimonials hourly received. We are therefore confident that we have a preparation which we can offer to the public with the assurance that it will be found not only a relief but an absolute cure for Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint, Indigestion, Constipation and Impure Blood. Free trial bottles at J. E. McGarvin's Drug Store.

Found at Last! An article that will give satisfaction. Howard's Pure Concentrated Alkali, for cleaning and scrubbing purposes, printers' use, soap washing before shearing, and also for making hard and soft soap. A single trial is but necessary to convince the most skeptical of its great value. It will make the flooring as bright as new. Does not crack the hands. Everybody who has used it likes it. It is put up in tin boxes with full directions and sold by our special agents only through the Dominion. Standard Chemical Co., sole proprietors, Toronto, Ont. J. E. McGarvin Sole Agent, for Acton and vicinity.

WANTED TO LET all the people of this vicinity know that the Largest and Best Selected Stock of BOOTS AND SHOES IS KEPT AT THE "PEEK-A-BOO SHOE STORE," And also that prices there are far below any other establishment in town. Call and see for yourselves. Women's Boots from 50 Cents a pair upwards. Men's Boots from \$1.00 a pair upwards. H. B. McCARTHY.

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NEW CASH STORE, MARSHALL & EDMONDSON. HAVE always on hand a full stock of Groceries, Crockery, Glassware, Wall Paper, Provisions, &c. In the store next to the Post Office.

INSTRUCTIONS IN MUSIC MISS AUGUSTA NICKLIN IS PREPARED to receive instructions on the Piano and Organ. Call at the residence, Main Street, for particulars. A. M. NICKLIN. Acton, May 14th, 1884.

PLANTS FOR SALE ANY PERSON WISHING A CHOICE Variety of Green House Plants of all kinds, should call at the residence of the undersigned and see the fine selection. Also, all kinds of garden Plants, such as Calceolarias, Coleus, &c. for sale cheap. C. S. SMITH, Acton, Ont. May 15th, 1884.

NOTICE. WITH a view to increasing the stock of trout in the pond on part west half lot 28, in 2nd con. adjacent to G. T. L., trespassing on premises adjoining pond or fishing therefrom will be strictly prohibited during the season. By order D. HENDERSON. Acton, April 30, '84.

Wellington Marble Works. QUBBEC ST. GUELPH. John H. Hamilton, PROPRIETOR. (Formerly McQuillan & Hamilton) Dealer in Marble, Granite and everything pertaining to cemetery work.

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 bright on ash, flat, and full four feet long. Curled or damaged bark only received at a proportionate reduction. We wish it distinctly understood no bark will be received after the first of November without special contract. Any other information will be gladly furnished upon application at the tannery to MR. G. E. WILSON. Beardmore & Co. Acton, April, 1884.

Court of Revision The Court of Revision for the Municipality of the VILLAGE OF ACTON, will hold its first sitting for hearing and determining appeals against the assessment of 1884, in the TOWN HALL, ACTON, on Tuesday, the 17th of June, 1884, at Eight o'clock p.m. J. E. MCGARVIN, Village Clerk.

THANKING OUR NUMEROUS FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS FOR THEIR GENEROUS SUPPORT, WE RESPECTFULLY SOLICIT A CONTINUANCE OF YOUR ESTEEMED FAVORS, AND WE FEEL CONFIDENT THAT WE CAN GIVE YOU BETTER VALUE FOR YOUR MONEY THAN ANY OTHER HOUSE IN THE TRADE. OUR MOTTO: "SMALL PROFITS AND QUICK RETURNS." YOURS RESPECTFULLY, Nelson & McRae.

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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, Cottonnades, 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.

ORDERED CLOTHING. This department is as usual, First Class. Parties requiring Perfect Fitting, Well Made, and Cheap SUITS, should give us a call. We have a splendid line of Gents' Furnishings, Hats and Caps, &c.

ALL NEW GOODS. BOOTS AND SHOES. We are showing this season the most complete and attractive stock we have ever shown, in Ladies', Gents' and Children's Wear.

SPECIAL VALUE. GROCERIES. We are giving special values in 50 cent Teas. In Sugars we are satisfied that we can furnish a better article for less money than can be had in the town.