

Who Does This Concern?

A large number of our subscribers have not yet paid for this year's Free Press, and more than a few are still in arrears for previous years as well. We request all such to make settlement during the present month and thereby oblige us. The amounts taken singly are but trifling, but when added together they foot up to hundreds of dollars. We desire drinking exceedingly, and have not done any for a long time. Therefore we trust that the present appeal will meet with an immediate response.

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THURSDAY MORNING, OCT. 16, 1884.

Our County Show.

The thirty-ninth Annual Exhibition of the County of Halton Agricultural Society held in Milton last Thursday and Friday was one of the most successful ever held in the county. The weather was very favorable, in fact a more desirable day could not possibly have been. The aggregate number of entries was large, and the attendance of visitors very satisfactory.

In some departments the entries were much smaller than on former years, while in others the increase was very marked. The show of dairy products and fruits was inferior to that of other years and many were the remarks respecting this. In grain and roots the display was considered very good. One of the best features of the show this year was the exhibit of Ladies' Work, and to this may also be added Fine Arts. These classes were both much superior to ordinary years.

In the field the show was fully equal to that of last year in every department, while in some it was better. There was an improvement—a very marked improvement—in cattle, the show this year embracing several as fine animals as one could desire to see in a show ring. There was a large and good show of sheep of the various breeds. In pigs, also, there was a fair show, but poultry was very poorly represented. There was, also, as is usual at Milton, a good display of implements. The principal attraction, of course, was the horse ring, and a better exhibition of horses has seldom been seen at any county show. During the whole day the ring was crowded with spectators, and the numerous prize tickets were displayed by the fortunate owners of prize stock with no little pride. Several of our local horsemen entered stock but none were winners of prizes. The splendid team of general purpose three-year-olds belonging to Mr. Jno. Wigglesworth, Esq., which secured the red ticket at Georgetown, won first prize again here, and were sold during the day to Messrs Hendrie & Co., Hamilton, for \$450. In Leicester and Lincoln show the name of Mr. A. W. Walkie of Acton, appears prominently among the prize winners.

A special feature of the day was the Band Contest, and this proved one most attractive to visitors. There were five entries viz.—Acton, Brampton, Norval, Orangeville and Stratfordville. The competition was keen and every band present proved that the class of music played by country bands has advanced very perceptibly during the past year or so. Competent judges freely state that the music discoursed by the bands in this contest was superior in many points to that presented during the late contest at the Toronto Industrial Exhibition. The winners were Brampton, first, Orangeville, second, and Stratfordville, third. Since the band competition has assumed such creditable proportions we think the Society should do all in its power to encourage the bands by making the prizes of sufficiently large amount to rouse in some measure the competitors for their trouble and expense. Judges of experience with bands and band music should also be employed. The Society should set apart at least \$100 for this purpose, for it is evident to all that the presence or absence of the bands tend very materially to determine the success or failure of the exhibition.

It was a very remarkable and most commendable fact that during the whole day and evening not a single drunken man was to be seen either on the show grounds or in the town. How many counties in this Dominion can truthfully say this. Verily the good and satisfactory effects of the Scott Act are evident to both the friends and foes of this measure.

The kind and courteous attentions to the wants of exhibitors and guests by the president, Mr. D. W. Campbell and the secretary Mr. W. C. Besty, were appreciated by all who required favors of them.

Victory Follows Victory.

The Scott Act carried by good Majorities in both Simcoe and Standard.

The elections over the Scott Act in Simcoe and Standard counties last Thursday resulted in decisive victories for the Act. The majority in Simcoe was 1065 while that in Standard was 247. Simcoe did noble work and when it is known that Standard voted on the Scott Act three years ago and failed by nearly 200, the workers in that riding will be accorded equal praise.

The result of last Thursday's elections has added the last straw upon the back of the whiskey camel, and this party are now in a most despicable state. The Toronto News says:—"There is no doubt that the liquor party are demoralized. They have money and a few good speakers, but the ministry of all the churches, including the Anglican and Catholic, and the solid respectable element of the country have turned out to fight against them, and the battle this time is with the strong. Altogether they expected a majority of 150 to 250. They got 1,000 against them, and there is weeping and gnashing of teeth in Babylon."

COMMUNICATIONS.

While we are willing at all times to open our columns for the publication of communications on all subjects of interest to the general public, we wish it to be distinctly understood that we will not hold ourselves responsible for any opinions which may be expressed by our correspondents.

The Cemetery By-Law.

To the Editor of the Free Press.

Sir:—As the cemetery By-Law is the topic of discussion in our village at present, allow me to impose on your valuable space in order to bring the matter in its true light before the property holders of this municipality, who will be called upon to vote an appropriation for the purchase of a suitable site on the 10th of November.

With regard to the necessity of the cemetery there can be no two opinions, as the one we have is now about filled, and were it not, it is liable to be closed at any time, should the council see fit to close it. Hence this question has forced itself upon this community. All will admit that the cemetery we want, and the cemetery we shall have.

About four years ago the council, foreseeing this, appointed a committee to ascertain where a suitable site could be obtained. This committee after viewing several places and interviewing their owners decided upon the land known as the Steel property. A By-Law was then submitted to the ratepayers to provide the fund for the purchase of the cemetery. At that time certain parties, no doubt prompted merely by a desire to oppose, exerted themselves in such a manner as enabled them to obtain its defeat.

But now the question is again before us, and a certain element, who have manifested their interest in the welfare of the public by allowing four years to pass without putting forth an effort to provide for requirements of the community, are still found opposing it. These parties have circulated a report to the effect that the owners of the Steel property intend forcing it upon the village *voluntarily*, at the excessive price of \$1500. Having heard this, I interviewed the present owners, who informed me that the price asked is \$950, the extra \$450, asked by the council, if not required for improvements, will never be raised. As to forcing this property upon the village, on the contrary, they are not only not anxious for the people to take it at all but are perfectly willing the council should purchase any site the ratepayers may prefer. Certainly no one can complain at this. Hence if the "Steel" property is the only thing these objectors find fault with let them go to work and select a suitable place and allow the people to say which they will have, and thus show the interest they have in the public welfare, instead of acting the dog in the manger, doing nothing themselves but trying to hinder others who would.

Let it also be remembered that it is not the "Steel" property, or any other you are called to vote upon, but only to place sufficient means in the hands of the council to enable them to purchase any site the people may select for a purpose which is admitted by all to be an absolute necessity.

Now, a word to those who are alarmed about increased taxation. Supposing the whole amount of the purchase price of the cemetery should require to be raised by direct taxation this would only necessitate an extra seventy-six hundredths of a mill on our present assessment. For example: a person assessed for \$1000 would have to pay 76 cts. for cemetery purposes, and when we remember that this should be a self-paying concern it leaves no room for cavilers to raise a *fervere* about taxes.

Thanking you for your space and hoping that the By-Law will receive a liberal majority.

I remain yours,
Acton, Oct. 15th 1884.

Terrible Explosion.

The Powder Mills at Cumminsville Blown up. Four Men Killed.

The Hamilton Powder Co's mills, situated near Cumminsville, about eighteen miles from here, were blown up on Thursday last at half-past twelve. Four men were killed and two were wounded. Wm. Murray, killed, leaves a wife and seven children. Harry Tibbles, killed, leaves a wife and two small children. George Matthews, killed, leaves a wife and five small children. Wm. Hetherington, killed, is a single man. Albert Culp, wounded, is badly burned about the face and limbs. Daniel Dougherty, wounded, badly burned and some limbs broken. The cause of the explosion is unknown, though under the impression of the machinery is credited with the accident. The night was a terrible one. It was with difficulty that some of the bodies were found, they were stripped of all clothing, and were a long distance in the bush with limbs broken and burned black so that they would scarcely be recognized. Many of the hands had narrow escapes. This is the fourth time the mills have had a blow-up, but the first lives were lost on this occasion. The excitement is intense. Windows were broken over a quarter of a mile away.

Rockwood News.

Mr. W. H. Jago is building a tannery in connection with the glove works.

Rev. D. Strachan will preach on temperance, on Sabbath week.

Those canvassing for the Scott Act report a very promising vote for the Act.

Notwithstanding the usual rainy day accompanying the show, it did not prevent a good turnout of people and a successful show.

Mr. Duffield has pushed on the building of his hotel and stables and has opened out for business again. He has built on as large a scale as the former building.

New dwellings are being erected and other buildings are being refitted to meet the demand. This is owing to the coming in of new families to work in the different manufactories.

A short time ago some unknown person took a ticket and \$19 from a sleeping passenger and jumped from the midnight express going at her usual rate of speed when near Rockwood. A hat was all the trace to be found of him.

Mrs. Samuel Scott living near Eden Mills was driving through that village Friday afternoon. Her horse shied at a showman's canvas, upset the buggy and threw her out. She had an ankle twisted by the fall.

McGrew's Arabian Salve.

The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Colds, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. E. McGraw's Drug Store.

What to do.

If troubled with an unhealthy, slow-healing sore as McGrew's & Parker's Carbolic Ointment. You will find it invaluable for healing, cleansing and completely removing your trouble. If the Blood is out of order, take with it a few doses of McGrew's Speedy Cure from J. E. McGraw's Drug Store.

Field Lightning.

There are but few that have never suffered almost intolerable pain from Toothache, Neuralgia, or like acute pains. To them such an instant relief as Field Lightning is an untold blessing in time of trouble. No disgusting offensive medicines to be taken for days. One application of Field Lightning cures. Sold at J. E. McGraw's Drug Store.

Patronize Home Merchants.

Gentlemen, if you are in want of a perfect-fitting Suit or Overcoat call and inspect our goods. We have an immense stock to select from and we guarantee perfect fit, stylish cut, and first-class workmanship every time. We know it will be to your interests to give us your patronage as we are satisfied we can give you better value by at least ten per cent. than firms from other towns can offer you.

Merit Prizes.

Dollar upon dollar is frequently spent on the faith recommendations for articles entirely worthless. Not so with McGrew's Speedy Cure; you are not asked to purchase it until its merits are proven. Call at J. E. McGraw's drug store and get a free trial bottle and if not convinced it will cure you of the worst forms of Dyspepsia, Liver complaint, etc., no matter of how long standing, it cures you nothing. Sold in 50c and \$1 bottles. See testimonials from persons in your own town.

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; the private parts are sometimes affected. If allowed to continue very serious results may follow. "SWAYNE'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, McGrew's Speedy Cure leads the van.

Subjected to the minutest chemical analysis, it has been found to contain one of those injurious ingredients characterizing the worthless specifics daily offered to the public. Every ingredient possesses a peculiar adaptability to the various complaints for which it has been 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. McGraw's Drug Store.

PURSE LOST.

LOST ON SUNDAY LAST, A SMALL PURSE, a Bronze Leather, containing a two-dollar bill and a quantity of silver. Finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving at the FREE PRESS OFFICE.

ANIMALS AT LARGE.

COMPLAINT HAS BEEN MADE THAT CERTAIN parties in Acton are in the habit of allowing their horses and cattle to run at large on the streets during a portion of each day. It is hereby notified all concerned that for all infractions of the By-Law in future the guilty parties will be prosecuted according to law.

WANTED.

WANTED, RESIDENT AGENT IN EVERY Village, Town and City in the Dominion, also a few travellers to collect New Gas Machines, for making air gas 50 per cent. cheaper than coal gas. No fee or power required. Made in all sizes from 1500 to 1000, for private houses, stores, hotels, factories, mills, breweries, mines, etc. address: CANADIAN AIR GAS MACHINE CO., 115 St. Francois Xavier St., MONTREAL, P.Q.

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WE ARE NOW PREPARED TO pay Cash for all kinds of Merchantable Grain delivered at our warehouses on the G. E. R. Acton. We will also buy Flour in season.

TESTIMONIAL!

Dear Sir,—I have been using your "Magnetic Oil" in the stables of Bryce Bros, Builders and Contractors of this City, for the past six months and believe it to be the finest liniment for all cuts, bruises, sprains, lameness, rheumatism, etc., that I have ever used. It has taken the place of every other liniment in the stable, and will do all, and more than all, that you claim for it.

Yours truly,
F. HAYWOOD,
Stableman for Bryce Bros, Toronto.

Be sure and obtain the genuine, Burgess' Magnetic Oil. Sold by all Druggists at 25 cents per bottle.

Burgess' Magnetic Oil.

Burgess' Liver Pills!

Are positively the best and cheapest pills known for the certain cure of Constipation or Costiveness, Liver Complaint, Dyspepsia, Jaundice, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Biliousness, etc. One dose generally cures the worst form of Headache, etc. They are Sugar Coated, and do not grip, gentle, yet thorough in their action. They do not injure the system, and are perfectly safe. They are sold by all Druggists everywhere at 25 cents per box.

10 Cents per Box.

For very cheaply sent by mail. Why not try one box?

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Great Change in Prices.

STARTLING REDUCTIONS!

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Look at this Price List, and note the Change we have made in the price of our entire stock of New Goods, imported direct from the manufacturers in Europe for this season's trade.

PRICE LIST.

	Former Price.	Present Price.
ALL WOOL GRAY FLANNELS	\$0 30	\$0 25
" " " "	0 35	0 30
" " " "	0 40	0 35
" " " "	0 45	0 38
CANTON FLANNELS,	0 12 1/2	0 10
" " " "	0 15	0 12
" " " "	0 18	0 15
" " " "	0 20	0 17
" " " "	0 25	0 20
" " " "	3 00	3 00
ALL-WOOL CANADIAN BLANKETS,	4 20	3 50
" " " "	4 80	4 00
" " " "	5 40	4 50
" " " "	6 00	5 00
" " " "	7 20	6 00
BEST CANADIAN COTTON SHIRTINGS,	0 18	0 14
MEN'S SHIRTS AND DRAWERS,	0 50	0 37 1/2
" " " "	1 00	0 75
" " " "	1 25	0 80
MEN'S FELT HATS, NEWEST STYLES,	1 00	0 80
" " " "	1 50	1 00
" " " "	1 75	1 30
" " " "	2 00	1 60
" " " "	2 25	1 90
" " " "	3 00	2 40
LADIES' ULSTER CLOTHS,	0 80	0 50
" " " "	0 75	0 50
" " " "	0 85	0 55
" " " "	1 00	0 80
" " " "	1 25	1 00

Our advertising space will not allow us to give a complete list of the sweeping reductions we have made in every department throughout our establishment, but we assure our friends and patrons that never at the commencement of a season's business in Geolphi, have the prices of new goods been out as close as we are now doing.

Velveteens, Silks, Cashmeres, Mantle Cloths, Dress Goods, Hosiery, Carpets, Lace Curtains, Astracan Jackets, Fur Capes, Ladies' Rubber Gossamers and Ulsters, Silk Velvets, Silk Flashes, &c.

Have all been marked at the keenest possible Prices, and are sure to meet with ready sale.

Our Millinery Department

This season promises to surpass any former attempt we have ever made to render it the most attractive feature of our large business. Due notice will be given of our opening, and every lady is cordially invited to attend.

JOHN HOGG & SON,

SPECIAL ATTENTION!

Is called to the Large Stock of Decorated China and Stoneware Sets

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In all the newest designs of the day.

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(Look out for new Advertisement next week)

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FALL, - 1884!

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In complete fabrics and all the new fancy dress goods, and we regard the pleasure that we have a First-Class Dressmaking Establishment in connection with this department. We have the material in all the latest novelties, and the work is right in price and style.

WE HAVE A SUPERB STOCK OF MILLINERY.

The get-up and style of which is unsurpassed, and the prices are right.

A large stock of Millinery Goods and Under material. Our Under goods are the best to be had for cheapness. We have in plain and white in all the latest colors—an immense variety.

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