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GEO. HYNDS, Acton, Ont.

Acton Free Press.

TUESDAY MORNING, MAY 21, 1885.

CRUMBS FOR BREAKFAST.

Provided by the Ever Thoughtful Free Press Reporters.

Now push forward the spring work.

—There's a boom in gardening operations' now.

—The Council has a corporation baby on its hands.

—Low fares on the railways on Saturday and Monday.

—Monday's to be a gala day here. Display your hunting.

—A number of the farmers in this section are through seeding.

—The school-room in the town hall is cheerful and comfortable;

—We have some beautiful lines of ladies' mourning cards now in stock.

—Mouldy or unventilated cellars will spoil butter or milk. Cleanse them.

—The maples and other trees are putting on their beautiful summer dress.

Pic-nic parties are now laying their plans for future anticipated enjoyment.

—Who'll win the cup of war next Monday? We'll bet on the Esquisses boys.

—The driving park is well patronized these evenings by horsemen and athletes.

—The senior department of the Public School will re-open on Monday, 1st June.

—God save the Queen. Monday is the sixtieth anniversary of her birth. Observe it loyally.

—Our merchants had an unusually lively business on Saturday night. Result—full till and tired salesmen.

—Labor in the farm workshop—every farm should have one—on rainy days, pays better than going a-fishing.

—Mr. J. H. Hacking, of Winnipeg, founder of the Free Press, will please accept our thanks for Manitoba papers.

—The base ball umpire now prepares himself against disaster, and lays in stores of aricas and yards of sticking plaster.

—Don't forget to give your newly-planted shade trees plenty of water during the present hot dry weather.

—A strawberry box with two bottoms has been discovered. When the price of strawberries falls the false bottom can be taken out.

—Chairman Ismond intends to make the streets the essence of cleanliness even when the week closes. And he's the one to do it, too boys.

—There was one wedding and a happy wedding party in town this week. A little bird whispers that another will be consummated within a day or two.

—Our friend Hill, the artist, is doing a rushing business just now. The reason of this is that he is making cabinet portraits for \$2.50 per dozen, equal to those of the city studios.

—The first baseball match of the season was played in Hamilton on Saturday between the Clippers, of that city, and the Maple Leafs, Guelph. Score 3 to 4 in favor of the Maple Leafs.

—Mr. J. M. Fenley has opened his Ice Cream Parlor, and is now dishing up ice cream and cool drinks to the pleasure of everybody, but possibly to the lightening of the young ladies' men's pockets.

—A local professional young man white out driving the other day with a lady friend was so intent upon entertaining her that he ran over and nearly killed an old ewe lying on the road. Be more careful, Doc.

—The colored poster for the Brampton firemen's demonstration on Queen's Birthday, executed by the Conservator, is a most worthy and attractive piece of work. The Conservator takes no back seat in fine art printing.

—What about the new uniform our citizens were going to provide for Acton Cornet Band? They certainly deserve it, and we hope 1885 won't be allowed to pass without this recognition of their excellent services being tendered.

—Says the Palmerston Telegraph: The pitiable spectacle was witnessed in the Council Chamber on Monday evening of the wife of the former mayor of the town applying to the Council for relief, as she is in indigent circumstances.

—Mr. L. G. Matthews has his bakery in full working order. He has a fine oven constructed on the latest improved principles, and if his bread, &c., are always turned out equal to the first batch, customers will have no cause for complaint.

—The Limhouse Woolen Mills are doing an unusually lively business this spring. The excellent work turned out by them in former years, is bringing well-merited reward. The proprietors, Messrs. John Newton & Sons intend to purchase all the wool this season that can be brought to them.

—A. C. McKinlay's L.D.S., Surgeon Dentist, Georgetown, will visit Acton Wednesday, May 27th. Any one wishing to see him professionally can do so by calling at Agnew's hotel. Will administer nitrous oxide gas, or a combination of anaesthetics, commonly called vitalized air, for extracting teeth without pain.

—Remember Howson takes the lead in good tea. We defy competition in a 30c. tea either in Black or Japan. Try them and be convinced.

—Scotch, English and Canadian Suiting great variety, at the East End Clothing Store, J. Fife, Acton.

THE WEEK'S RAKINGS.

Which are Principally Local and All Interesting.

Out of The Ashes.

Mr. A. J. Smith, blacksmith, is again at work in a new and much better shop than the one burned last Wednesday. This is due to enterprise on his part and kind assistance by numerous kind-hearted citizens and others.

The Queen's Birthday.

There is every probability that a large number of visitors will be in town on Monday. The tug of war between Esquisses and Iris is a great attraction; and there is likely to be a long, strong and most vigorous pull for victory. The "tug" takes place at one, and will be followed by the races, the programme of which was given in these columns a couple of weeks ago. The driving park is in good condition now, and the officers of the association are doing their best to ensure a gay day.

Uniformity in Cleaning.

The following merchants have mutually agreed to close their respective places of business each evening—Saturdays excepted—at 8 o'clock, sharp:—H. B. McCarthy, T. Duncan, Nelson, McRae & Co., C. B. Griffin, Kenney Bros., J. E. Howson, John Nelson, and J. Fife. This is as it should be and will prove beneficial alike to proprietors and employees. Inconvenience will be caused to none by the arrangement, and we hope the customers of above merchants will endeavor to make their purchases in reasonable hours.

Runaway Accident.

On Monday morning Mr. John Anderson met with an accident which will likely confine him to his room for several weeks. He was driving along Willow street, seated on a board laid across the bolsters of his light wagon, leading a horse behind him. This horse became frightened, and in jerking away drew Mr. Anderson of the wagon, which passed over him, causing serious injuries. Three ribs in the left side were fractured and his right shoulder was badly bruised.

Dr. Webster was called in, and through his skill the sufferer is progressing favorably.

The accident is most unfortunate for Mr. Anderson at this particular time, as he has just commenced his season's work. No injury to horses or wagon.

Limehouse Sparks.

From our own correspondent.

Farmers are wishing for rain.

Trees are showing plenty blossoms.

Whooping cough is still prevalent.

Saw mill is running again this week.

Mr. Louis left to-day for Scotland to complete his medical course.

Mr. Chas. Porter, who has been connected with the Free Press for some time, left on Monday for Toronto. Charlie was a steady, honorable and gentlemanly fellow and leaves a host of friends behind him.

The Free Press wishes him every prosperity.

Mr. Alex. Campbell of Markham, fills the vacancy.

Canadian Pictorial.

The By-Law to raise money for the purchase of land for a new cemetery, voted upon on Monday, was carried by a good majority, as also was the Steel property selected. The vote resulted as follows:—

No. 1. No. 2. Total.

For the By-Law..... 21 51

Against the By-Law.... 9 14 23

Majority for the By-Law..... 31

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For the Marchant property 18 14 31

For the Nicklin property 0 1 1

For the Steele property 29 14 42

Majority for Steele property..... 11

The total number of votes polled was 77. Three of the electors failed to vote for any of the sites named.

Canadian Pictorial.

The seventh number of the Canadian Pictorial and Illustrated War News is to hand.

We are pleased to learn that the publishers have decided to make this a permanent publication, under the foregoing title. The illustrations in this number are fine. On the first page we have a telling picture entitled, "A brave scout's untimely end." A full-page picture shows the battles of Cut Knife Creek, which resulted in victory for the troops under Col. Otter. Othersketches follow. The two-page supplement is a fine cartoon picture entitled, "And now for business." General Middleton is here represented as preparing to strike a decisive blow at the rebels.

Messrs. Dallas & Grant who have the contract for the stonework at Mr. Lindsay's new barn are pushing on the work. There are five masons employed.

Mr. Grayson deserves credit for the appearance of his garden and surroundings.

He has a new fence, peas, &c., are up above ground, and everything about the place shows neatness and taste.

Death of an Early Resident.

We are fired and sad at heart with the repeated calls upon us of late to chronicle the death of prominent citizens and old and respected residents of Acton and vicinity, but it is again our sorrowful duty to record the demise of one of our earliest lady residents, in the person of Mrs. Swan. This sad event occurred on Monday morning, after only a few days' illness.

Although well advanced in years, her age being 71, Mrs. Swan enjoyed fairly good health, was unusually active, and was naturally expected to survive many years yet.

Mrs. Swan settled in Acton with her husband, the late Robert Swan, in 1845, spent several years in Kingston and Toronto, and has resided here permanently since 1865.

She was sister of Mr. Edward Nicklin and Mrs. Elizabeth Thurlow.

The funeral on Wednesday was largely attended.

Six nephews of deceased—Messrs. John, James and Edward Matthews, R. L. Thurlow, James and A. E. Nicklin—acted as bearers.

An Old Caledonian Honored.

In the Walsall, Staffordshire, Eng., Free Press we notice an account of a flattering testimonial to Mr. James Grant, brother of Mr. Alex. Grant, Acton, and as he has many old friends and relatives in Acton and vicinity, we refer to it. The occasion was the forty-eighth annual dinner of the Caledonian Society, and Mr. Grant having arrived at a mature age tendered his resignation. Highly complimentary speeches were made referring to his lengthened connection with the Society, his stirring character, upright dealing in business, &c., and he was presented with the following address, beautifully illuminated and an excellent oil portrait of himself:—

Dear Sirs.—We the members of Walsall

Caledonian Society, and friends, desire you

to accept the accompanying portrait on

receiving from us.

It is with great pleasure that we

present to you

the portrait of the late James Bell,

of the Caledonian Society.

He was a man of great worth and

ability, and we are sorry to lose him.

He was a member of our Society for

many years, and we shall miss his

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