CANDIDLY ANSWERED.

the brightness visible in the business world

is due to the unmistakable feeling of

- The last issue of the Milton Champion contained the following letter:-To the Editor of the "Champion":

DEAR SIR.—Permit me through the columns of your valuable paper to sak the editor of the Acton FREE PRESS a few questions for the benefit of the ratepayers, which I trust will be answered with cander. SIR.—How do you account for the following facts:—In the year 1882, when the Scott Act came into force, we were taxed 10 mills on the dollar. and no person complained; 1883, 15 mills on the dollar—a few complained; 1884, 17) mills on the dollar—a few complained; 1884, 17) mills on the dollar—a great number complained; 1883, the present rate is 22 mills—all complaining that our taxes should more than double in three years, and, to add to this mystery, the assessed value of our real estate has decreased twelve thousand dollars. Please inform us why our taxes should increase and our property decrease in value in a

ncrease and our property decrease in value in a Scott Act county.

Acton, Oct. 90, 1885.

The desire of the writers of the above, who, by the way, are well known to us, even if the initials given don't represent their united names, was not to gain information respecting the assessment or taxation of our municipality, but clearly to have a fling at the Scott Act, and this is probably the reason the letter was sent to the Milton Champion instead of being handed to the editor of the FREE PRESS direct. Now, although we do not hold ourselves obliged to answer the silly and unreasonable questions dicted answer them, and do it with can- society has a right to protect itself. dor and honesty, too. Before doing so, however, permit us to state that the facts (?) we are all, with a single exception, mis-statewhere-the-truth-is-concerned tastes.

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f. "In the year 1885 we are taxed 22 mills on the dollar-more than double in-

three years." CANDID ANSWER .- The first clause of No. 4 is the first and only fact in the whole letter. Our readers can judge at a glance the falsity of the second clause. The following are the principal reasons for the increase of taxation in 1885 above that of 1882:-In 1882 the sum of only \$385 was expended for improvements of streets and sidewalks, while in 1885, \$1,200 was expended. In 1882 only \$1,300 was raised for public school

purposes; in 1885, \$1,564 was asked for. This increase was caused by the appointment of a fourth teacher, and the furnishing and arrangement of a fourth department. In 1882, salaries, including the expense of street lighting, were \$293; in 1885 they are \$443 .- In 1882 the county rate was \$132: this year it is \$178.36. Then in 1885 a street commissioner was appointed, at an expense of \$2 per day. These extra expendi. tures are the cause of the higher rate of taxation, and are certainly in no way chargeable to the Scott Act. Of course we do not here pronounce upon the wisdom, or otherwise, of the Municipal Council in some of these extra expenditures, but we have no hesitation in challenging Messrs. R. R. A. or any one else, to point out a town of Acton's size with so good sidewalks, roads, numerous street lamps, tidy and attractive streets, and general public improvements. and having as reasonable a rate of taxation

and as low a general assessment. 5. "To add to this mystery, the asset ment has decreased \$12,000."

CANLID ANSWER .- This is not a fact The assessment of 1882 was \$156,684; that of 1885, \$174,836, an increase of \$18,152. And this in the face of the fact that during the past year real estate to the value of over {3,000, has fallen into the possession of church organizations and is consequently

exempt from taxation. 6. "Please inform us why our taxes should increase and our

in a Scott Act county." CANDID ANSWER.—We have given pr that such has been the case, and we will be pleased if Messrs, R. R. A. can truthfully give evidence where such has really resulted in a Scott Act constituency. The above facts concerning Acton's sesment and taxation will to trust accepted as candid and satisfactory and at pext meeting of the Hoard .- Carried. swers to Mesers. B. R. A.'s misrepresenta-

tions. We would kindly advise them that perentter when endeavoring to concoot pointers against the Scott Act to be sufficiently manly, honest and upright in their. statements to command public respect, and to endeavor to uphold instead of maliguing their own town.

We have also answered the letter through the columns of the Milton Champion, an Messrs. R. R. A. will no doubt have the pleasure of re-reading our; candid answer therein to-morrow morning. A CERTIFICATE.

I hereby certify that the figures above given by the editor of the FREE PRESS, respecting as essment, rate of taxation, etc., are true and

J. E. McGARVIN, Clerk of Municipali We would respectfully request the Hamil ton Speciator and any other papers which nay have copied R. R. A.'s letter to be just suough to reproduce this answer to it.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

elections will be all over by the end of Riel will in all probability be hanged on

the 10th November. The Privy Council has sustained the conviction. Sir Loonard Tilley has resigned his por folio as Minister of Finance. He will likely be appointed Lieut-Governor of New

ceive the vacant position. The Acton FREE PRESS, the Oakville dependent, and many other papers, allege that they have received copies of the l'indicator.-Milton Sun. The FREE PRESS has

alleged nothing of the kind.

Brunswick, Mr. McLellan is likely to re-

Judge Miller has been appointed revising officer for this county. We fail to see why any of the politicians should gramble about this appointment. If the office is a necessary one, we know no more unbiassed man, capable for the position, than Judge Miller.

We are not a prophet, or the son prophet, but imagine we discern a cloud upon Acton's municipal horizon, which a present is little larger than a man's hand, but which will increase to abnormal proportions, and on or before nomination day will burst forth with fury unparallelled in

The Bobcavigeon Independent advocates compulsory life insurance to the extent that the head of every family should compelled to insure his life for the benefit or to correct the intentional misrepresenta- of his children. It would make him pay tions of every irresponsible scribbler, we part of the premium in the form of an inwill in this case-rather than allow the come tax, the balance to be paid by the statements in question go abroad uncontra- state. It advocates it on the ground that

It is indeed pleasing to note the fact that are asked to account for are not facts, but | in a large number of places throughout our country, the clergy are having an accasional ments in every particular. They are wilful exchange of pulpits. The idea is a good and deliberate mis-statements, too, for one. Friendliness on the part of ministers Messrs. R. R. A. have undeniable access to is an essential to the success of the great the books and papers of the municipality, work in which they are engaged, and it is but they preferred to "cook" the figures to a grand thing when doctrinal differences suit their morbid and not-over-particular- can for a time at least, be set aside and congratulations exchanged that all are en-

came into force, we were taxed 10 mills on excellence of the programme. The ad- Brick church. dresses by the various speakers were listen-CANDID ANSWER. - This is not a fact, for | ed to with very great interest, and Sabbath in the year 1882 we' were taxed 1611 School teachers and workers were much benefited by the invaluable suggestions . 2. "In the year 1883 we were taxed 15 | thrown out by those who have had lengthy experience in the work. We believe that CANDED ANSWER. - This is not a fact, for the Acton schools were not represented. in the year 1883 we were taxed 19 mills on | We trust that on future occasions of this kind an effort will be made to send a delega-3. "In the year 1884 we were taxed 174" tion to this very important association. We extend congratulation to our friend Mr. CANDID ANSWER .- This is not a fact, for J. J. Crabbe, proprietor of the St. Mary's in the year 1884 we were taxed 17 mills on Argus, upon his election as President of the

> Referring to the Scott Act, the Fergus News-Record, a strenuous opponent of the Act, gives the following with reference to the working of the Act in Halton :-

In Georgetown, in the County of Halton, the law is much better observed, or at least no open public drinking is done there, and the treating system is greatly reduced. Whatever drinking is done in Georgetown is done with some degree of caution, and but few drunken men are to be seen on the streets. To get a drink there one must be known, as they are afraid of informers, and the drinks are served out in back rooms. This state of affairs goes hard on the bummers who hang around hotels waiting for some one to ask them to drink, as they get but comparatively few invitations on account of the manner in which the business is carried on, and in fact the bummer nuisance is pretty well wiped out at Georgetown.

Board of Education.

The Board of Trustees of Acton Public School, met on Monday evening, 19th inst. Present The chairman, Dr. Lowry, and Messrs. W. H. Storey, W. P. Brown, Thos. C. Moore and Geo. Hynds.

A communication from Miss Jelley teacher of second department, was read It stated that unless her salary was increased to \$825 her resignation would be

The Finance Committee, in their sixth eport, approved of the following accounts ecommending payment thereof :-Geo. Havill, work and material \$13 42

Clock for 4th Dept.... 2 00 Moved by W. H. Storey, seconded by Geo. Hynds, that the report of the Finance

Committee be adopted. - Carried. Moved by W. H. Storey, seconded by Board advertise for thirty cords of good, dry, maple wood, four feet long. Twenty cords to be delivered at the School, balance at the Town Hall. The whole to be delivered by the first of December .- Carried. Moved by W. H. Storey, seconded by Thos. C. Moore, that the communication of

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Board then adjourned

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BOOKBINDER, of Miss Jelley be laid over for consideration Periodicals of every description carefully —If you want a nobby, durable : bound. Raling neatly and promptly done. uit, J. Fyfe's is the place to go

Limehouse Sparks.

From our own Corresponde The small-pox score is dying out. Mon women, and children are being vac-

Rov. A. Wallace preached a very practioal sermon yesterday from Matt. 5:18. Mr. W. Nickell, our merchant, having bought a horse and rig, is rushing business. The lime business is very brisk at present. They can scarcely get the supply to

Messrs. John Newton & Sons are having their factory remaired, so most of the hands are having helidays.

has ready sale for all he can get. The Methodist people here intend having social next Thursday eyening at Mr. James Scott's on the third line.

A number of men have been employed during the past week repairing the wall Present indications are that the imperial through the cut near the station. There will be no meeting in the Methodist church here next Sunday, on account

of the Ouarterly meeting to be held then in Georgetown. We are sorry to say that Mr. Marshall is not much better yet. The trouble seems to have settled in his leg. The Dr. is still attending him, and we are hoping and

waiting for good results. Mr. Ellis has sold his horse and invested in one that he says has gained four red tickets and two blue ones this year. He is building a stable and making arrangements therwise for the convenience and speed of

Oct. 26th, 1885. ROCK.

PURELY PERSONAL. Paragraphs Respecting People with Whom our Readers are Individually or Collectively Acquainted.

Fergus, was in town over Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McGarvin visited friends at Dundas Street last week.

Mrs. Angus Cameron, of Dakota, spent several days during the week with Acton Mr. R. D. Warren will have control of WONDERFUL VALUE

Baunockburn school until the Christmas Mrs. Chas. Cameron has returned to Acton, from Toronto, and will in future

Mr. Jno. L. Stoney, of Hamilton, general agent Ontario Life Insurance Co., was in town last week. Mr. A. Pearson, of Chfford, Mich., was

the guest of his son, Conneillor J. B. Pear son, during the week. Mr. J. S. Deacon, Public School Inspector for the county, visited the Public Schools here on Monday. WONDERFUL VALUE

Rev. Charles A. Cook, of Parliament St, Baptist Church, Toronto, was visiting at his old home the latter part of last week. Miss Nina Gibbons, who has been visiting friends at Grand Rapids, Mich., for some time, returned home last Friday. She had pleasant visit.

Mr. S. P. Panton, an old resident of Milton, and former editor of the Champion, is the regular practitioner are benefitted, in connection with a company engaged in while the patent medicines and other publishing daily and weekly papers at Bil. advertised cures never record a cure lings, Montana. The weekly is published in the interests of, agriculture and stock men that the disease is due to the presence raising. The journals are a credit to the of living parasites in the tissue. Mr. Dixpublishers, and Mr. Panton has our con-

nockburn School for nearly two years, has resigned his position and enters upon the studies of another profession. Mr. Shau- ment has ever cared Catarrh. The applinon's departure will be much regretted cation of the remedy is simple, and can be both by parents and scholars. By his kindness and geniality he has won the respect and liking of all his pupils, and his being cured at one treatment. Sufferers should correspond with Messrs. A. H. DIXdiligence and punctuality in the perform-ON & SON, 305 King street west, Toronto. ance of duty have gained for him the good reputation as teacher which he now possesses. We join in wishing our friend Shannon every success in his future work.

THE CRADLE. Oxy.—In Guelph, on the 25th October, wife of Mr. T. J. Day, of a son. THE GRAVE. JARTEN-In Ecin, on the 24th October. Martin, Mr. Thomas Martin, aged 83

Auction Sales.

SATURDAY, 31st Oct .- Auction sale of farm stock and implements, the property of John Storey, lot 25th, con. 1, Esquesing. Sale at 12 o'clock .- J. A. Murray, Auc-MONDAY, Nov. 2-Auction sale of a farm,

farm stock and implements, the property of Andrew Bates, lot 5, 7th line, N. S Trafalgar. Sale at one o'clock.-Geo.

MONDAY, 2nd November .- Sale of farm stock and implements, the property of Thos. Hodgson, lot 17, con. 3, Eramosa, Sale at lo'clock. Wm. Hemstreet, Auctioneer, CESDAY. Nov. 8-Auction sale of stock implements and furniture, by Robert Creech, at Nicklin's barn yards, Actou.

Sale at one o'clock .- Wm. Hemstreet

SDAY, 3rd November .- Sale of chattels of Hugh Ryder, under power of mortgage held by Peter McCanish. Salest Agnew's hotel, at 10 o'clock a.m. Wm Hemstreet,

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editor of the Free Press is asked how he will "with candor" account for the following facts:

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