

# The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 6, 1885.

## THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

Even at this early period of the municipal election, the Acton town is pretty well charged with rumors of what is to be, and it is even said that canvassing for certain positions is in progress. Electors should be on their guard and avoid committing themselves to anyone prematurely. Know first what a man has done to lighten or increase your load of taxation, or to enhance the interests of the little town we are all proud of, before deciding whether he is worthy of support, and also learn—if his promises are worth anything—what he proposes to do for the coming year. Be not hasty in pledging votes.

## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Next Tuesday is Riel's last day on earth; if nothing interferes to prevent it.

The Lieutenant-Governor of the Province has directed all public offices to be closed on Thanksgiving Day.

It is said that the majority of the members of the cabinet are in favor of the execution of the death sentence on Riel.

The question of the constitutionality of the Dominion Liquor License Act will come up before the Privy Council on 11th of November.

The Hamiltonians are agitating for a change in the names of Burlington beach and Burlington bay to Hamilton beach and Hamilton Bay.

The President of the United States has issued a proclamation setting apart Thursday, November 26, as a day of thanksgiving and prayer for that country.

The Toronto medical students who took a naked human body from the dissecting room of one of the colleges and hung it up in front of a city butcher shop on Halloween, should be denounced as brutes and regarded as devoid of the first principles of decency.

In commenting upon the letter of R. R. A. in the *Champion*, and our answer to the same, the *Guelph Mercury* pays Acton the compliment that "very few places of the same size as Acton, not under the Scott Act, can boast of as much improvement in the past three years as Acton can."

The first train on the Canadian Pacific railway from Montreal to the Rockies left the former place on Monday afternoon. As it slowly moved out of the depot three rousing cheers went up from a number of the officers and the general public, who were assembled in large numbers on the platform. The train consisted of a sleeper, a dining-room car, a first-class car, an emigrant car and a baggage car.

The young man who takes to whisky discounts his future to a much greater extent than did his father who took to strong liquor thirty years ago. There is now no room for whisky-heads in positions of trust or where nerve and care are required. The only place where he has any show is as a hack to some one else. Everyone takes advantage of him, overworks him, gives him poor pay, and ill-treats him. Even a small beer about a young man is sufficient excuse nowadays for a bank manager in refusing him a small accommodation, or for a wholesale man in refusing him a small line of credit. The old idea that fellows who took to drink were good-souled chaps is a delusion. They may be so when sober, but more mean and low acts are done by men under liquor than when free of it a dozen times over. People no longer take stock in the chivalry of whisky; they are, however, convinced of the beastliness of the habit. It is in the air that the whisky-head must go.—*Toronto World*.

## TEACHERS' CONVENTION.

The Meeting Well Attended by Both Active and Prospective Teachers.

The Teachers and Model School students met in the Head Master's room, Milton, last Thursday. The attendance was very good, over 50 teachers and 17 model-school students being present.

After the opening exercises were over, the following committees were appointed:—An Auditors' Committee, one on resolutions, and another to draft a letter of condolence to Mrs. Little.

The work of the Association was introduced by Mr. Houston, who spoke for some time on Spelling Reform. His remarks brought out many questions from those present.

Mr. Harrison read a paper on Teachers' salaries. It was humorous and pointed.

Mr. Cooke, H. M. Streetsville High School, read a carefully prepared paper on History. He thought his subject should be taught by a well-prepared series of readings; was not in favor of teaching much constitutional history in the public schools.

Mr. J. S. Deacon, the recently appointed Inspector for the county, made some remarks on his method of teaching Geography. This was not a formal paper, for reasons given by Mr. Deacon. His remarks were practical and highly appreciated by those who heard them. Several members took part in the discussion that followed.

Mr. Galbraith, of Streetsville High School, read a paper on Industrial Designing. The writer pleaded for true work and was very much opposed to sham. A lively discussion followed.

Dr. Lusk illustrated his method of teaching English by considering himself as class and teacher while he belabored how he would treat a class of "An ode to the parting year."

The committee on drafting a letter of condolence to Mrs. Little, reported. Their work was adopted, ordered to be engrossed and then completed, sent to Mrs. Little.

On Thursday evening, Rev. J. E. Larnach delivered his lecture "Why" to the teachers, who assembled in the School Room—*Con.*

## OUR COUNCILLORS.

What They Did at the Meeting Last Thursday Evening.

### ALL PEACEFULLY TRANSACTED.

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Municipal Council, was held on Tuesday evening.

Members present, Messrs. D. Leuderson, W. Leonard, J. B. Pearson and A. Stephenson. Councillor Pearson was moved to the chair.

The minutes of the previous meetings were read and confirmed.

The following accounts were read:—Thos. Ebbage, building cemetery fence, gates, etc., \$45.00; Estate C. B. Smith, wood, \$5.34; J. E. McGavin, attending Judges' Court of Revision, etc., \$3.44, and Hart & Co., blanks, \$0.81. Laid over until next meeting.

A By-law to provide for the collection of statute labor tax was passed, the rate being fixed at \$2.00, and J. Henry Smith being appointed collector.

The council adjourned peacefully and in order shortly after nine. There were no collisions between members during the session, and no call for the yeas and nays.

## MONTREAL'S SCOURGE.

The Return of the Death's for the Month of October.

### NUMBER OF DEATHS DECREASING.

The number of deaths from small-pox in Montreal during the past month is 1,630. Of these 31 were Protestants and the balance, 1,599, Catholics.

The total number of deaths since the beginning of the epidemic is as follows:—

April.....2

May.....12

June.....29

July.....84

August.....102

September.....697

October.....1,630

Grand total.....2,549

There is an apparent decrease in the number of deaths this week.

The vaccination committee reported that during the past week 5,187 houses have been visited, and 1,139 persons vaccinated or re-vaccinated. It is expected that by the end of the week the house to house investigation will be completed.

The Montreal *Witness* says:—"Eminent physicians of this city are of opinion that the small-pox has now such a firm hold, that it will only cease for lack of fuel—that it must burn itself out. The meaning of this is that every person unprotected by successful vaccination or by having had the disease within the last ten or fifteen years, is almost certain to take the disease sooner or later."

## BLUE RIBBON BEER INTOXICATES.

Judge McDougall Dismisses the Appeal Against Conviction for Selling it.

The appeal against the conviction for selling blue ribbon beer at the recent Toronto exhibition, which has for a month past been occupying the attention of the Toronto courts, was finally settled on Tuesday. Judge McDougall decided that the beverage is an intoxicating one, and that the appellant had been properly convicted. It was proven to the Judge's satisfaction that from two to three points would render a person unaccustomed to the use of liquor, perceptibly under the influence of liquor. In concluding the case the Judge said:—"In view of this evidence, and the fact that this liquor is one that may increase perceptibly in strength if exposed to heat or motion, I can come to no other conclusion than one adverse to the appellant's contentions. It would be opening a wide door to a fraudulent evasion of the Act, and its wise provisions for controlling and regulating the sale of and traffic in intoxicating liquors, if a liquor which contained even so small a percentage of alcohol could be openly offered for sale without a license in every grocery, house, or shop in the community. The appeal was dismissed with costs."

## Scott Act in Renfrew.

Some slighting remarks having recently been made in reference to the working of the Scott Act in Renfrew, and also in reference to the attitude of certain clergy of the Catholic Church towards the question of Scott Act agitation, the following letter was written to the editor of the *Renfrew Mercury* and speaks for itself. Coming from the source whence it emanates this letter is unimpeachable testimony of the success of the Scott Act in the locality named:—

To the Editor of the *Renfrew Mercury*:

Dear Sir:—As you mentioned my name in a late issue of your paper regarding the working of the Scott Act in this county, I think it but right to make a few remarks, which you are quite welcome to publish if you think fit. I do so without reference to what anyone may have said upon the matter.

1st. I have not seen a single person drunk or "the worse for liquor" in the County of Renfrew since the 1st of last May.

2nd. I saw but two (one at one time and another at another time) who I thought had the "sign of liquor" on them.

3rd. I have heard of very few cases of drunkenness.

4th. I heard that flasky of "liquor" were very freely exchanged at two of the three picnics held here this summer. The consequences of this may be easily imagined.

5th. I publicly advocated the adoption of the Scott Act, and am ready to do so again should there be any need of it, because I am convinced that it is for the spiritual and material welfare of the people.

Finally, I am convinced that the public conscience of this county of this county was always in favor of temperance and sobriety; and that although many fell into the vice of drunkenness, and many were ruined thereby, this happened rather because the occasion in the shape of spirituous liquors was almost everywhere than from any premeditated desire to fall into that dreadful vice.

Yours most obediently,

M. BYRNE, Priest.

Eggsborough, Oct. 7th, 1885.

## R. R. Roe not the Author.

To the Editor of the *FREE PRESS*.

Dear Sir:—I address you to say that I was not the author, nor had I anything to do with the writing of the letter in the *Milton Champion* respecting Acton's success and merit, notwithstanding the studied similarity between the signature to the letter and my name.

I am, Yours Truly,

R. R. Roe.

Acton, Oct. 29th, 1885.

## PURELY PERSONAL.

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

Mrs. John Spight is visiting friends in Perth.

Mr. D. Henderson is visiting friends in Saratoga and Glenside.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Moore left on Saturday to spend a week or so with friends at Florence.

Mr. C. W. Hill returned to Acton last Friday for his family. He has purchased a profitable photo business in Buffalo, N. Y.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. D. W. Campbell, County Treasurer, has been the victim of a severe apoplectic attack. We trust it will leave no permanent effects.

And now our young friend, Mr. George McFarlane, has become a benedict. The *Free Press* extends congratulations to himself and his happy bride. We understand they are shortly to remove to Michigan.

Mr. Robert Ramshaw, general blacksmith, Milton, spent Sunday and Monday in Acton and vicinity. Our citizens will be pleased to learn that their ex-townman is doing a very successful business in Milton.

## THE ORACLE.

Some—In Acton, on the 31st October, the wife of Mr. George Soper of a daughter.

## THE ALTAR.

McFARLANE—Sawyer, on Oct. 29th, at his own residence, by Rev. D. B. Cameron, assisted by Rev. D. Strachan, George McFarlane to Miss Ida Stewart, both of Acton.

## THE GRAVE.

McMILLAN.—In Nassagaweya, on the 26th October, Nancy, widow of the late Neil McMILLAN, Esq., aged 90 years.

HENKERT.—At his residence in Cleveland, Ohio, on the 30th October, Miller Henkert, Esq., aged 85 years.

## Auction Sale.

SATURDAY, Nov. 7th.—Auction sale of Household Furniture, &c., the property of George McFarlane, at his residence, Mill street, Acton. Sale at two o'clock. Wm. Hemstreet, Auctioneer.

THURSDAY, 12th Nov.—Auction sale of Farm Stock and Implements, the property of Edward McDermid, lot 19, townline, Erin. Sale at 12 o'clock. Wm. Hemstreet, Auctioneer.

## HAVE YOU

A Horse to Sell?

A Farm to Sell or Rent?

A House to Sell or Rent?

A Buggy, Wagon, or Machine to Sell?

A Sewing Machine, Wagon or Piano to Sell?

## DO YOU

Want to Buy a Horse?

Want to Buy a Farm?

Want to Buy a House?

Want to Buy a Piano or Organ?

Want to Buy or Sell anything or Trade anything?

## THEN

Advertise in the *Free Press*, and you'll find somebody who wants to see you on the business.

Try a 50 cent advertisement, and you'll find it a paying affair.

## A Card.

To all who are suffering from the errors and indiscretions of youth, nervous weakness, early decay, loss of manhood, &c., I will send you a recipe that will cure you. FREE OF CHARGE. This great remedy was discovered by a missionary in South America. Send a self-addressed envelope to the Rev. J. J. Jones, Station D, New York City.

## CATARH—A NEW TREATMENT.

Perhaps the most extraordinary success that has been achieved in modern medicine has been attained by the Dixon treatment for Catarrh. Out of 2,000 patients treated during the past six months, fully ninety percent have been cured of the stubborn malady. This is none the less startling when it is remembered that not five percent of patients presenting themselves to the regular practitioners are benefited, while the patent medicines and other advertised cures never record a cure at all. Starting with the claim how generally believed by the most scientific men that the disease is due to the presence of living parasites in the tissue. Mr. Dixon at once adapted his cure to their extermination—this accomplished, he claims the Catarrh practically cured, and the permanency is unquestioned, as cured effected by him four years ago are cures still. No one else has ever attempted to cure Catarrh in this manner, and no other method has ever cured Catarrh. The application of the remedy is simple, and can be done at home, and the present season of the year is the most favorable for a speedy and permanent cure. The majority of cases being cured at one treatment. Sufferers should correspond with Messrs. A. H. DIXON & SON, 305 King street west, Toronto, Canada, and enclose stamps for their treatment on Catarrh.—*Montreal Star*, Nov. 17, '82.

## New Advertisements.

### WOOD WANTED.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up to Saturday, 31st October, for thirty cords of good dry maple wood, four feet long. Twenty cords to be delivered at the School and the balance at the Town Hall. The work to be delivered by the 1st of December.

J. P. MOORE, Secretary Board of Trustees.

### GRAIN MARKET.

NICKLIN & SON are prepared to pay the highest market prices for Wheat, Corn, and Oats, delivered at their storehouse, Acton Station, G. T. H. Farmers will do well to see that their grain is well cleaned.

E. NICKLIN & SON, Acton, October 8th, 1885.

### PRIVATE BOARDING.

PERSONS desiring private board can be accommodated upon application to

MRS. H. CHEECH, Mill Street.

### Public Health Act.

WHEREAS notice was recently posted up

containing the public against a certain

persons that such notices were taken down

without the permission of the Local Board of Health; whereas the Public Health Act of Ontario provides that any person removing such notices is liable to a penalty of \$50;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that if any further infraction of the said Act is committed by any person or persons guilty of such offense will be prosecuted.

N. LINDSAY, Esq., Council Chamber, Regent, 1st Oct. 1885.

# Unprecedented Bargains at the Right House this Season.

A large assortment in Ladies' Jerseys in Heavy Warm Makes, both with and without sleeves, were procured for the cash, and are SELLING OFF AT EXACTLY HALF THEIR VALUE. EXCELLENT HEAVY JERSEYS GOING FOR \$1. WHILE WORTH \$2. OTHER JERSEYS WHICH WOULD BE GOOD VALUE AT \$3 ARE SELLING AT ONLY \$1.50. A LOT OF LITTLE GIRLS' WARM HEAVY KNITTED DRESSES ARE ALSO OFFERING AT HALF PRICE. GIRLS' COMFORTABLE DARK WINTER DRESSES GOING FOR \$1. WHICH ARE WORTH DOUBLE THE PRICE. Ladies' Heavy Cloth Mantles, Dolmans and Jackets are selling at astonishing low prices. Just see the Beautiful New Styles of Short Jackets, the Long Ottoman and Tuffed Cloth Mantles and Dolmans, the Ulsters, Misses' Manicled in various styles, and the Mantle and Ulster Cloths. All the goods, comprising over \$200,000 worth, have been bought for the cash, as Watkins never gives a note or draft to anyone. He pays the cash down, and saves several thousand dollars in discounts each year, which enables him to sell his goods much lower than he could if he bought on time. The Blankets and Flannels have an Amazing Sale. Grey Flannel for only 15c. The 36c. Grey Flannel is blue and good, just the thing for Underwear. Drawers and Ladies' and Misses' Underwear of extraordinary good value. The stocks of Gloves, Hosiery, Scarfs, Shawls, Cloaks, Gaiters, Mitts, Booters, Ties, Silk Handkerchiefs and Linens of all the usual kinds. Coats Best 200 yard Spool only 2c. The Canadian Tweeds are exceedingly cheap. Be sure to see the Nice All-wool Tweeds at 50c. for pants. The 70c, 87c, and \$1.20 Tweeds are Fine, Heavy, Durable Goods in very neat patterns. The Blankets are pure Wool made by the Best Maker in Canada, and are selling off at a surprising rate. The Dress Goods from 12 1/2c. up to \$1.25 per yard in the Newest Shades and Styles and in Black are going off fast. They are selling at from 5 to 15c. per yard Under their Actual Value. The stock of Carpets and Carpet Materials is enormous, from 12 1/2c. Hemp to the best Wilton in Charming New Patterns. Floor Oil-cloth, M.C. Rags, Linoleum, Matting, etc., all very cheap. King street east, close to Hughes street. Remember the name is

THOMAS C. WATKINS.

Hamilton, November 5th, 1885.

## DISSOLUTION

### OF PARTNERSHIP

## NELSON, McRAE & Co.

The firm of Nelson, McRae & Co. is about to be dissolved. A Mammoth Clearing Sale of over \$14,000 worth of General Dry Goods, Millinery, Mantles, Ready-Made Clothing, Tweeds, Wool and Knitted Goods, Hats and Caps, Furs, Boots and Shoes, and Ordered Clothing.

Our stock is all new, and has been purchased in the best markets for Cash, and we have decided to clear it out at cost and under.

Remember, this is a Genuine Sale, as the partnership of the undersigned ceases on the 21st November. We require settlement of all accounts before the above date, and we request all having due bills to present them before the time named.

NELSON, McRAE & Co.

Acton, October 20th, 1885.

## THE Fleury Jointer Plow.

WM. HEMSTREET, AGENT, ACTON.

This Plow is one of the very best in the market, and has taken more prizes this season than any other plow sold in this section. At the Whitey Plowing Match a couple of weeks ago, four of the Fleury plows were awarded first prizes, and the ploughmen handling them each received prizes. One of these plows has won six prizes in succession at the annual matches of the Association.

First prizes were also awarded at Toronto, Barrie, Collingwood, Walkerton, Milton, and Nassagaweya fall exhibitions.

The Fleury is the favorite plow. A stock always on hand.

## The Fleury Self-Binder

Received first prize at all the exhibitions shown. I will have these machines on hand for examination by farmers early next season. Their excellent qualities will immediately demonstrate themselves. Call on

WM. HEMSTREET, Agent.

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THAT the Last Partnership heretofore carried on in the Village of Acton by Messrs. McLean has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

J. A. McLEAN, Witness—A. H. Macdonald.

Mr. McLean will still remain in Acton and conduct the business in partnership with Mr. Hugh McMillan, of Guelph, at the Town Hall.

## SHINGLES AND WOOD.

THE undersigned has for sale a splendid stock of First-Class Shingles.

No. 1 Pine \$1.00 per square. No. 2 Cedar \$1.00 per square. Also a large quantity of wood of all kinds from \$1.00 a cord up to \$4.00 a cord, prices short. Slaves and heading to be made at 50¢ per cord.

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### OF CATARRH AND CONSUMPTION.

If air charged with disease-creating elements (foul air) will kill when breathed continuously, air charged with remedial elements will cure when breathed continuously.

## The Pillow Inhaler

is an elegantly made hair pillow, charged with remedial elements, the vapor of which the patient inhaled all night long whilst sleeping as usual. It cannot get out of order, and is perfectly safe to the most delicate. It will last for years, and serve any number of persons in a family in succession. It waters down the strength of the

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Do not delay, for the longer a disease is allowed to run unchecked, the slower and harder it is to effect a cure.

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It has never been known to fail.

Send your name and address plainly written to:

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## AN OLD FACE IN A NEW PLACE.

## THE STAR GROCERY REMOVED.

## J. E. HOWSON

Wishes to inform his numerous customers that he has removed his business from his old stand to the store next door to Mc

Garvin's Drug Store, where all will be served with good and reliable goods as cheap as ever.

## CARD OF THANKS.

In making the announcement of my removal, and soliciting the patronage of all my old customers in the new stand, I beg to tender my best thanks to all who favored me with their custom since commencing business in Acton. I appreciate highly their favors in this direction, and in return will undertake to serve them to the best of my endeavors.

J. E. HOWSON,

Next Door to Drug Store.

## McKAY BROS.,

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