The Acton Free Press.

Thursday Morning, January 28, 1886.

THE WARDEN'S ELECTION.

The report of the election of Warden for the County appears in another column, wherein it is shown that Mr. Baxter, of Burlington, was the candidate elected. We must admit that we are disappointed at this result for we fully expect that Acton and her worthy representative would this year be honored, as they both deserved. As we stated last week, although Acton has been incorporated thirteen years and always supplied during that time a man of honor and ability at the County Council she has never had the pleasure of seeing her member occupy the chief chair. Burlington, on the other hand, incorporated in the same year as Acton, is now in possession of the Wardenship for the third time; and every other municipality in the county has also had a similar mark of distinction. This is considered an outrage on our municipality by the citizens; it is the very essence of unfairness, and we can hardly blame them if they feel disposed to advise their representative in consequence to leave his chair vacant at the County Council board for the present year at last. Had Acton persisted in sending incompetent men to the council there might have been some excuse for the treatment received; but she has not. Her representatives have been recognized as men occupying no second place either in the council or in the community. The whole secret is that they have always happened to be more or less prominently identified with the Conservative party.

In examining the various ballots one would naturally come to the conclusion that there was considerable child's play about the election; but such was not the case. The repeated ballots, with the scattered voting was the result of a series of cunning wire pulling and lobbying for political ends by one of the political parties, and also with a view by some members to endeavor if possible to cover up their promises voluntarily made. Thus is proved again that the exigencies of party politics compel men to dishonest actions, and in this case secured the election of a man whose personal claims did not deserve to be entertained and whose municipality could in no wise reasonably or honorably expect the office to be conferred on this occasion.

Had Mr. Storey not relied upon the promises of certain Reform members who voluntarily offered to support him if he offered himself as a candidate he would never have entertained the idea of presenting himself for election. He looked upon these members as honest and sincere in their proffered support; some of them failed to fulfil their promises and his defeat was the inevitable result. In justice to Messrs Lindsay and Menzies it should be stated that they supported Acton's candidate throughout.

We are considerably surprised that one of the members of our own township council, residing in proximity to Acton, and whose interests are identical with our own, should withhold his support from our representative, principally on political grounds. Of course, he violated no promises by his action, but we reasonably looked for Acton to receive his consideration and willing support.

Well, Mr. Storey has failed to receive the Wardenship, but after all he is better off from many points of view. He has lost the honor but will be saved much trouble, inconvenience and loss of time, which in the management of his extensive and continually increasing business are important considerations, and while he will not occupy the desired office, he has the satisfaction of knowing that he was the popular choice of the council.

THE SCOTT ACT.

It is rumored that the Ontario government is contemplating the establishment of a bureau, whose functions it shall be to assist in enforcing the law in those counties which have adopted the Scott Act; and that the charge of that bureau will be placed in the hands of a gentlemen in whom the friends of that Act will have every confidence. There is probability also, that officers will be appointed to enforce the law in each Scott Act county or group of counties for Scott Act purposes, who will not be amenable to local influences. Upon these officers will be thrown the responsibility of detecting and punishing offenders against the law. If these rumors are true, and they appear to have excellent foundation, such a step will meet with popular approval; because, however much public opinion may be divided as to the wisdom of adopting the Scott Act, there can be no division of opinion as to the fact that the public interests demand its enforcement, when once adopted. The obstacles thrown into the way of the friends of the Scott Act by the Dominion government, have made the former despair of obtaining courteous treatment much less justice in that quarter; and now they urge Mr. Mowat to redeem the pledges he made twelve months ago, when he said that if the Dominion government failed to do that which was right in the matter the Ontario government would consider the subject. It is not improbable that the Ontario government will introduce important legislation at the coming session, both respecting the Crooks Act and the Scott Act.—*Ottawa Free Press.*

Under date of January 15th an Ottawa despatch says that up to the present time the Militia Department have authorized the payment of a fraction over $4,000,000 on expenses of the North-West rebellion.

Have our farmer friends nothing to say in reference to the cheese factory project? Our columns are open to them for correspondence of reasonable length, in the shape of information, suggestions or advice on the subject.

ACTON'S RULERS.

The Business They Transacted At Their Last Meeting.

LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH.

In addition to the business reported in last issue of the Free Press the council transacted the following last Wednesday evening, 20th inst:—

The by-law appointing auditors was read a third time and passed.

The following resolution appointing a new Board of Health was introduced and passed:—

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 municipality, it is moved by Joseph Fyfe, and seconded by John 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 H. P. Moore, Joseph A. Speight and Robert Royce as ratepayers, and that the seal of the corporation be attached to this resolution.—Carried.

A by-law appointing Dr. W. H. Lowry Medical Health Officer, and Thos. Easton Sanitary Inspector was then passed.

Upon motion the Council adjourned to meet on Tuesday evening, 2nd February, at 8:30 p.m.

THE WARDENSHIP.

Mr. Storey the Evident Choice of the Members of the County Council, but not the Successful Candidate.

MR. BAXTER ELECTED.

The County Council met in the Court House, Milton, on Tuesday, at 2:45 p.m.

After subscribing to the necessary declarations, the following members took their seats:—W. H. Storey, Acton; R. Baxter, Burlington; W. McLeod, Georgetown; J. H. McCollom, Milton; M. Felan, Oakville; N. Lindsay, John Warren and R. Graham, Esquesing; James Menzies and D. Wheelihan, Nassagaweya; H. Robinson, Dr. Buck and J. Husband, Trafalgar; E. Dalton and P. D. Scott, Nelson.

The County Clerk took the chair, and asked the members to elect their Warden.

Moved by Henry Robinson, seconded by Dr. Buck, that the election of a Warden be by ballot, the ballot to be continued until a clear majority be obtained by a candidate. Carried.

The election then proceeded, with the following result:—

CANDIDATES.	Storey	Baxter	Dalton	Buck	Robinson	Lindsay	Warren	Wheelihan	Total
1st Ballot	7	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	15
2nd "	7	4	1	3	0	0	0	0	15
3rd "	7	4	1	2	1	0	0	0	15
4th "	7	6	1	1	0	0	0	0	15
5th "	7	5	0	2	1	0	0	0	15
6th "	7	6	0	1	1	0	0	0	15
7th "	7	5	0	2	1	0	0	0	15
8th "	7	4	0	2	1	1	0	0	15
9th "	7	4	0	1	1	1	1	0	15
10th "	6	6	0	1	0	1	0	1	15
11th "	7	6	0	2	0	0	0	0	15
12th "	7	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	15
13th "	7	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	15
14th "	7	5	0	3	0	0	0	0	15
15th "	7	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	15

It will be seen that although Mr. Baxter was elected, Mr. Storey, in twelve out of fifteen ballots, received a higher number of votes than any other candidate.

Mr. Baxter thanked the council for electing him to a position he didn't expect to occupy. He would do his best to fulfil the duties of the office satisfactorily, although he would have to learn of what his duties consisted.

Messrs. Storey, Robinson, Lindsay, McLeod and Menzies were appointed a special committee to strike the standing committees.

After fifteen minutes recess the committee reported as follows:—

Finance.—McLeod, Wheelihan, Scott, Robinson and Lindsay.

Roads & Bridges.—Dalton, Wheelihan, Graham and Warren.

County Buildings.—McCollom, Robinson, Felan, Menzies and Buck.

Printing.—Buck, Wheelihan, McCollum, Storey and Graham.

Education.—Storey, Warren, Baxter, McLeod and Husband.

The committee appointed by the Halton Farmers' Institute, then addressed the council, and asked for the grant of $25 recommended by the Local Government.

Upon motion the grant was made.

The auditors for the current year were appointed.

A lengthy discussion took place upon the C. V. R. debenture fund, part of which had been expended by the treasurer.

Enforcing the Scott Act.

It is quite plain that if Mr. Mowat does not attempt the enforcement of the Scott Act in Ontario nobody else will. The tories have no longer anything to hope, but much to fear, from the manipulation of the liquor traffic, and will wash their hands of the whole business under cover of the decision *in re* the McCarthy act. What may come to pass in other provinces, where the premiers may not be men of the Mowat mold, we cannot pretend to say, but we conceive that free whisky will flow in many of their counties for some time. At all events, it is the duty of Ontario to enforce the law within her own boundaries, or else to substitute therefor some more equitable and workable piece of legislation.—*Toronto World.*

BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

The British Parliament was formally opened by the Queen in person last Thursday. The Queen's speech covered the usual ground of such documents. Concerning Ireland she expressed sorrow over the renewed attempt to excite the Irish against the union, and said: "Although there has been no marked increase in crime, legal processes in many places have been resisted, and organized intimidation continues. My Irish subjects must be protected in their legal rights, and individual liberty by every effort. If the existing law be inadequate to cope with growing evils I look with confidence to your willingness to invest the Government with all necessary powers."

The Ontario Legislature will open to-day at 3 p.m.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Dominion Parliament will be called together on February 25th.

At the Blake banquet in London, a couple of weeks ago, no intoxicating liquors of any description were allowed.

The British Government, under Lord Salisbury, was defeated in the House of Commons on Tuesday by a vote of 329 to 250.

The following parties have been fined $50 each for violation of the Scott Act by F. Moore, Police Magistrate, Orangeville: H. Hulse, Jas. Duffy, Orangeville; Albert Wallace, Amaranth; Geo. Swaine, Luther; John Witter, and Jas. E. Booth, Orangeville. This makes 15 convictions by the P. M. since his appointment.

Every year every local paper gives from $100 to $5,000 in free lines for the sole benefit of the vicinity in which it is located. No other can or will do this. The local editor in proportion to his means does more for his town than any other ten men; and in all fairness, man with man, he ought to be supported, not because you happen to like him or admire his writings, but because a local paper is the best investment a community can make. It may not be brilliant or crowded with great thoughts, but financially it is more of a benefit to a community than the preacher or teacher. To-day the editors of local papers do the most work for the least money of any men on earth. Subscribe for your local, paper not as a charity, but as an investment.—*Judge Davis.*

Notes From Florida.

To the Editor of the Free Press:

Dear Sir,—When in England some time ago the Free Press was a welcome weekly visitor, and it is not less so in the wilds of Florida.

This portion of the State is quite new, having been lately opened up by railways in various directions. This county—Polk—abounds with small lakes, which are highly prized for various reasons. They run in sizes from lakelets of one acre to several miles in extent. Oranges, lemons, pine apples and bananas thrive well. The oranges are nicer and sweeter than any I ever tasted at home. As to the climate, I am writing at 10 p.m. in my shirt sleeves. There is absolutely no fire, except the lamp, in the house, the walls of which are simply inch boards, battened with laths and unplastered. Outside is as warm as inside. I send a pamphlet which gives a fair account of the climate generally and Polk County in particular.

I congratulate the citizens of Acton upon the issue of the late municipal elections, and reiterate your wish that the model village of Ontario may be "a peaceable and united town," and I would add, and prosper more and more.

I am yours truly,
Wm. Finstbrook.

"Hill Top," Auburndale,
Polk Co., Fla., January 15th, 1886.

Sir John Returns.

Sir John Macdonald arrived at Ottawa last week from his trip to England. He was met by some of his political friends and driven to the City Hall, where addresses from the citizens and the Conservative Association were read.

The Premier in his speech said his health had been greatly improved by the voyage, and spoke of the interest that British statesmen were taking in Canadian affairs. The greater portion of his speech was devoted to a eulogy of the Canadian Pacific Railway, which, he said, was a work of the highest imperial importance. He said everybody united in stating that it placed England in a much stronger position than she had been for many years before. They all felt, and recent experience had in fact shown, that the route by the Suez Canal to India and Australia was an uncertain one, that in case of war with any European nation it might easily be blocked, and that mode of communication with England's distant colonies and dependencies might be obstructed. Now that the route was comparatively of little importance, much less importance than it was before the completion of the Canadian Pacific Railway, they recognize the fact that England has an unassailable means of communicating with all her distant dependencies, and means of sending troops and munitions of war to India, Australia, China, or Japan, or in fact wherever she desires to direct her military or naval forces, over a route entirely in British territory. All this has a tendency to increase the appreciation in the British mind of the great value of the Dominion to the Empire.

As a whole, England is proud of Canada, and believes now that it is a source of strength, instead of weakness. After returning thanks for the sentiments contained in the different addresses, Sir John drove to his residence.

Rockwood News.

From our own Correspondent.

Mr. Soper won the race on the rink here last week.

Wm. Torrance, assistant miller in Hayward's mills, had his wrist broken the other day, and will not be able to work for some time.

A daughter of Joseph Cripps died after an illness of twelve days of inflammation of the lungs.

St. Andrew's Church choir give an organ recital this week in the Presbyterian Church here.

The good sleighing is much prized by teamsters.

Auction Sales.

Friday, 5th Feb'y.—Sale of farm stock and implements, the property of W. J. Rouse, Eden Mills. Sale at 12 o'clock. Wm. Hemstreet, Auctioneer.

Tuesday, 9th Feb'y.—Sale of farm, farm stock and implements, the property of Edw. Coxe, lot 6, con. 6, Eramosa. Sale at 12 o'clock. Wm. Hemstreet, Auctioneer.

Wednesday, 10th Feb'y.—Sale of farm stock and implements by Joseph Gavan, on lot 14, Con 5, Eramosa. Sale at 12 o'clock.—Wm. Hemstreet, Auctioneer.

PURELY PERSONAL.

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

Miss Annie Boomer, late of Trenton, is visiting Acton friends.

Mrs. Wm. Thorn, of Guelph, visited Acton friends last week.

Mrs. Thos. McMackon, of Highgate, is the guest of Councillor Fyfe and family.

Misses Annie and Nellie Grieves, Georgetown, are visiting Acton friends this week.

Mr. James Henderson, of Milton, spent a couple of days this week with his brother, Mr. D. Henderson, banker.

Rev. R. Phillips has been confined to his room through an affection of his left limb, the result of a heavy cold. He is, however, recovering.

We are pleased to be able to say that Mr. C. C. Speight is almost convalescent. He spent several days during the week with Markham friends.

Mr. Donald Mann, an old Acton boy, for the past six or seven years an important contractor on the Canada Pacific Railway, is visiting Acton friends. Donald is to-day through his perseverance, ability and foresight, a rich man, and the Free Press has unalloyed pleasure in extending its congratulations.

THE CRADLE.

McGuire—At Tilsonburg, on January 29th, the wife of Mr. W. McGuire, editor of the *Liberal*, of a son.

Nunan—In Guelph, on January 20th, the wife of Mr. F. Nunan, of a son.

Hill—In Esquesing, on the 25th inst., the wife of Mr. James Hill of a son.

Armstrong—In Esquesing, on the 23rd inst., the wife of Mr. John Armstrong of a son.

THE ALTAR.

Bates—Rixon—At the residence of the bride's father in Billings, Montana, on the 25th ult., Miss Rebecca Rixon to Leslie Bates, Esq., son of Brigadier-General Bates, and brother of Lieutenant Bates, of Her Majesty's Service.

Hambridge—Baker—At the residence of the bride's parents, in Barrie, on the 14th ult., Miss Fannie Baker to Dr. Hambridge.

Above ladies are niece and cousin of Mrs. S. A. Secord.

THE GRAVE.

Culloden—At 521 North West St., Indianapolis, Indiana, U.S., on January 21st, L. Pearson Culloden, Esq., aged 63 years.

Deceased was brother of Mrs. S. A. Secord, of this place.

Collie—At Belmont, on 14th January, Mr. Wm. Collie, father of Mrs. F. H. Storey, aged 64 years.

New Advertisements.

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Acton, Jan. 4th, 1886.

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