

THE SCOTT ACT IN HALTON.

In the early part of the present week we received a visit from a gentleman who has lately been making a tour of the County of Halton, and a part of the County of Peel. He visited about twelve towns, and villages in the former county, and during the whole time of his stay in these places he saw only one drunken man, and that was in the town of Milton. In the adjoining County of Peel, where the Scott Act is not in force, Brampton, Streetsville, and Cooksville were visited. He states that in Brampton he noticed that the bar-rooms were sometimes full of men in all stages of maudlin drunkenness, and in the villages of Streetsville and Cooksville he saw three or four drunk in each. He concludes by stating: "Whatever the imperfections and faults of the Scott Act may be, and whatever difficulty there is in enforcing it, it has certainly done one thing for Halton; it has completely killed the drinking system. Drinking there is, but it is done on the sly, in holes and corners, and kept away from the public gaze. I know of one case in which a man and his wife walked five miles from the vicinity of Oakville into Peel County to get whisky. If the liquor were to be obtained at Oakville, why the necessity of tramping all the way to Peel for it?" Toronto Citizen.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

It is expected that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's telegraph service will shortly be completed and opened to the public.

In Toronto on Sunday Rev. Hugh Johnson and Rev. Canon Dumoulin preached sermons denouncing theatre-going in outspoken terms.

The New Brunswick Legislature has lately abolished the franking privilege. One member said that while it was in existence he thought at least four-fifths of the people of Fredericton never bought a postage stamp.

We are informed that for some evenings past a number of boys, under 16 years of age, have been seen staggering about the streets drunk. - Palmerston Telegraph. And the Scott Act is in force there yet, either, is it, friend Lacy.

There seems to be no doubt, says the New York Herald, that an improvement in prices is looked for in the future in the natural course of events, provided that the railroad strikes and the railroad traffic wrangles can be satisfactorily settled. That they will be settled in a very short time seems to be certain.

Under a new act passed at the recent session of the Legislature all parties offering maple sugar for sale are compelled to label it as such, and those who in future sell sugar at 15c a pound as maple sugar which they purchased at 15 pounds for the dollar in a grocery will be liable to a fine and the seizure of the goods.

A Michigan saloon-keeper has quite a museum in his bar-room—eagles, owls, panthers, foxes, and deer heads by the score. As a pet, he has a large gray wolf chained in the back yard. A "large gray wolf" is a most appropriate pet for him, and a true representative of the liquor traffic. - Detroit Com. Advertiser.

The first practical step by the temperance organization of Toronto to aid the authorities in punishing violators of the license laws was taken Friday, when the heads of those bodies submitted to the License Commissioners a list of licensed tavern-keepers who had been fined for breaches of the liquor laws during the past year.

The Postmaster-General has given orders that parcels going over the Canadian Pacific Railway to Manitoba and the Northwest may be the same weight as those usually carried, namely, five pounds. Heretofore the maximum weight was two pounds three ounces, that weight being the regulation when in transit through the United States.

The Parliament of Canada is coming to a pretty pass as a sage member of Parliament, named Hooper, introduces a bill to incorporate the Shuswap and Okanagan Railway, which is to run between Spallumcheen Narrows up the Shuswap and Shichouchee valley to Okanagan Lake. If this goes on the House will demand extra indemnity for fear and wear of jaw. - Witness.

Under the regulations of the Educational department the first Friday in May is set apart as Arbor Day "for the purpose of planting shade trees, making flower beds, and otherwise beautifying and improving the school grounds." Last year this day was observed by many teachers and trustees with great enthusiasm, and as a result 30,648 shade and ornamental trees were planted and flower beds made at 253 different school houses. It will be advisable to have our regularly observed municipal Arbor Day arranged for the same date.

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ROCKWOOD NEWS.

From our own Correspondent. (Received too late for last issue.) School examinations are the order of the day, especially in the township of Nassagaweya.

The farmers in this vicinity are preparing for spring work. They report very little frost in the ground.

Two of our young men, Chas. Strange and James Orr, left the other day for Dakota. They purpose spending the summer there.

Mr. A. Strachan left last week to take a position in the dry goods house of E. R. Boller, Guelph. Archie is sure to get along well.

Mr. W. H. Schultz having removed to Toronto, the services of Jas. MacKenzie, formerly of the "Lion," Guelph, have been secured by Mr. D. L. Schultz to fill the vacancy.

Mr. G. F. Dryden, a student of Toronto School of Medicine, has returned from his studies with an attack of typhoid fever. He is at present very low. His many friends hope to see him around again soon.

Mr. N. Strachan is also confined to his bed with an acute attack of rheumatism.

Business here, generally, is now booming. Mr. James Barry is doing an extensive trade in stove bolts. The annual cutting, etc., is about to commence. The factories owned by Hayward & Co., and R. Richardson, will shortly be reducing to shingles the vast piles of timber now in their yards.

Mr. M. J. Farris is now home for his summer vacation, having had a hard winter's work and passed a very successful examination at the Toronto School of Medicine, but for all he is looking well.

Messrs. Thomas Knowles and Edward Magee left here last night for Kansas City, U. S., where they expect to engage positions as telegraph operators. They have the good-will of all respectable citizens here, who wish them every success.

Miss McLeod, of Elkhouse, Manitoba, formerly of this place, is spending a few weeks with friends here. She is a niece of Wm. McLeod, Esq., of Georgetown. Her blushing appearance speaks well for the country from where she comes.

The terrific storm of Tuesday last blew the chimney off Mr. John Wright's bakery. It went through the roof of his baker shop, causing much damage to the building, but this was soon repaired by the prompt and skilled hands of Wm. Morrow, one of our builders. The smoke-stack of Mr. Wm. Farris's kiln was also blown down, but caused no other damage.

PURELY PERSONAL.

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

We had a pleasant call from Dr. Dryden, Rockwood, last Friday.

Miss A. Hiltz left yesterday morning on a visit to friends at Stratford.

Mrs. R. Phillips and children returned from Orangeville on Tuesday.

Balliff Broddy, Erin, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Griffin several days during the week.

Miss Eliza Cameron accompanied her sister, s. Arms, to Toronto, where she will remain for a few weeks.

Mrs. Thomas McMackon, who has been the guest of Councillor Fyfe for several weeks, returned to Highgate last week.

Mr. J. Travers, who has been engaged in the law office of Messrs. McLean & McMillan for some months, left yesterday for Toronto.

Rev. C. A. Cook, of Toronto, was in town a couple of days this week, visiting his father, Rev. R. B. Cook, who was then seriously ill. The old gentleman is a good deal better now.

Mr. Peter McGregor, a member of the Galt town council, and for many years a resident of Acton, left this week for Georgia, where he has purchased 26,000 acres of pine lands.

Mr. Wm. T. Smyth, one of the most popular and successful travellers employed by Messrs. W. H. Storey & Son, of the Canada Glove Works, will leave in a few days for Manitoba, in the interest of the firm.

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THE CRADLE.

EAGLE.—In Erasmus, on the 9th April, the wife of Mr. Thos. Eagle of a daughter.

COLE.—In Esquimaux on the 18th inst., the wife of Mr. Henry Cole of a daughter.

HERR.—In Esquimaux on the 14th April, the wife of Mr. John Stalker of a son.

HERR.—In Milton, on the 6th inst., the wife of Conrad Hoff, of a daughter.

GOULD.—At Nassagaweya, on the 2nd April, the wife of Peter Gould, of twins—boys.

TAYLOR.—At Crowson's Corners, on the 11th April, the wife of Mr. Chas. Taylor, of a son.

HARRIS.—In Acton, on the 9th April, the wife of Mr. James Brown, farmer, of a daughter.

NEELANDS.—At Stayner, on the 6th inst., the wife of Thos. Neelands, editor Sun, of a daughter.

THE ALTAR.

SPRINGFELLOW.—On the 4th of March, by the Rev. A. E. Ross, at the residence of the bride's father, near Lovellville, the Rev. Chas. S. Richardson, to Miss Emily Foster.

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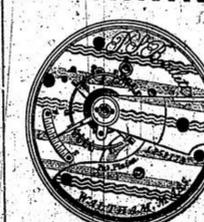
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