

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Show is not just now prepared to give proof that its affirmation that Mr. McCreezy refused to accompany the town delegation before the Minister to intercede in Oakville's behalf, was correct. We will wait patiently until it does.

The Canadian Pacific Company have inaugurated prohibition in a very practical form. The sale of liquor will not be permitted in any of the eating houses along its line of railway nor in any of its dining cars, and this regulation will be strictly carried out.

Senator Endicott having remarked that it would be foolish for the United States to go to war with Mexico about one man's grievances, after permitting Canada to fit on the feelings of hundreds of New Englanders, the Chicago News remarks: "Ah, yes, but we can lick Mexico, you know." The News has it.

Small parcels can now be sent from Canada to the old country, and vice versa, by parcel post, at the rate of 35c. No parcel of greater weight than three pounds will be sent. This new arrangement will prove acceptable to persons desirous of sending small packages to friends in the old land, or to receive small articles therefrom.

The Mayor of Guelph has received a letter from Mr. Van Horne in reference to the proposed Guelph Junction Railway. It states that he will meet the city on fair terms as regards the building of the road. The whole sum and substance of the epistle seems to be that if the city is prepared to build the line the Canada Pacific is prepared to run it.

A correspondent at the Colonial Exhibition remarks very pointedly:—"We observe a feature common to all our colonies save Canada, a display of elaborate, native weapons and implements, cleverly and prettily made, but savage. Canada has got past the age of native weapons and implements, and their absence from our court forms a striking distinction."

At the Colonial and Indian Exhibition the amount of precious metals produced by the several colonies is shown by various monumental devices. British Columbia has an obelisk containing 250,000 cubic inches, representing \$49,842,900 worth of gold. Nova Scotia shows an output of \$7,900,000 worth, while other places exhibit specimens of quartz and ore from which large amounts are yet to be taken. Among the most promising of these are the samples from the newly-opened districts of British Columbia not included in the forty-nine millions.

For the benefit of the perplexed editor of the Milton Star, we might say that the resolutions of approbation respecting the Police Magistrate, License Inspector, and Halton's temperance papers came from the proper source. The Halton Temperance Alliance is not run on the same principles as the Liberal Temperance Union. So don't judge others by what you would be inclined to do yourself, friend Watson.—Georgetown Herald. Good enough; but it's hardly worth while to pay any attention to the ravings of the setting sun.—Milton Reformer. That's just about the conclusion that other cotems have arrived at.

THE LABRADOR DISTRESS.

Reports May be Enlarged, but are not Wholely Entire.

Ottawa, Aug. 2.—Rev. Joseph Eden, of Quebec, in a special to the Free Press from Gaspé to-day, says that while the reports of starvation in Labrador may be magnified they are not untrue. He further says that the government steamer La Canadien has returned from her summer trip to Labrador. The commander reports that the cod fishery on the banks of Labrador is a failure. At Nainasquan, when the Canadian came up, the boats only averaged ten draughts. The weather has been bad for fishing and bait has been scarce. Unless a very decided improvement takes place in cod fishing before the end of August, great distress will ensue between Natusquan and Behnam. The commander is of opinion that at least 40 families should leave the coast between the above mentioned places. The president of Natusquan intends going to Quebec to try and make arrangements with the local government for the removal of a number of families.

A despatch received last night from the Attorney-General of Newfoundland emphatically denies the stories about suffering and death among the fishermen of Newfoundland and Labrador. It says the statement is a malicious fabrication. The fishing prospects are improving. Newfoundland can well make provision for any relief required in certain localities.

Acton Municipal Council.

Council met on Tuesday evening, members present, D. Henderson, J. Fyfe and J. Cameron.

Upon motion of J. Fyfe and J. Cameron, Mr. Henderson took the chair. The clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Samuel Denton, of Norval, that the Council claim from him the sum of eight dollars, damages to Mr. Smith's phaeton, caused by his leaving a pile of stones on the side of the street near the railroad, which frightened the horse attached.

The Finance Committee presented their sixth report recommending payment of accounts as follows:—

Report adopted. Upon motion the council adjourned.

—Spring suits and overcoats at extreme low prices and made in the latest styles. Be sure to call and see them at J. Fyfe's, Acton.

THE FOOT BALL MATCH.

More to Follow, in Which Grit and Tory Will Both Endavor to Win.

THE CORNET BAND'S ONE TUNE.

Did you attend that great foot-ball match last Thursday evening when those young fellows again attempted to down us old married backs at a new game? If you didn't then you missed it.

—Everybody said it was the largest crowd that ever assembled on the grounds, barring of course any holiday, or regular race-meeting. And it was, all the town and his wife was there and they enjoyed themselves thoroughly.

—Our Band was in attendance and enjoyed the proceedings with one solitary tune, which, however, through kinder lonely, was appreciated.

—They would have culminated some more only for the fact that the estimable leader didn't see the fun of doing it all himself, some of the other fellows leaving accidentally (?) left their instruments on the piano—I mean at home.

—May I offer a word of seasonal advice to some of the tooters in the A. C. B. more especially those belonging to that athletic club with the oriental name?

—It is to this effect—that it looks extremely childish and gives the impression that something is wrong with the brain when you refuse to turn out with the Band unless it is for the special benefit of your own organization.

—The Band was requested to play on the grounds in order to make the first foot-ball match of the season a success, and to afford a double treat to the citizens in general. The leader courteously acceded, and it will become those big-headed tooters aforesaid to purposely leave their instruments at home.

—Had it been for the benefit of the club with the eastern name, you can bet your last summer's straw hat they'd have toed the mark fast enough.

—But, 'nuff said. To return to our mutinous as the French say—the match was a well-contested one and resulted in one goal each.

—The playing—but I refrain, science was simply out of it. The ball made a lively time in the crowd occasionally. It was great fun—for those who didn't get hit.

—The next great event will be for football, but I don't.

—The Conservatives and Reformers play a match on Thursday, the day of publication of the Free Press, and a gritty time may confidently be expected.

—The followers of "The old fox," as he is sometimes called, think they've got a soft thing of it. Perhaps they refer to their team.

—I shall be there to see the fun and I advise my readers to do likewise. It is to be hoped that the players will be better acquainted with the rules next time.

—Did you observe "the scalped one"? He did great work on Thursday. His defence of our goal was fine.

—By-the-by is anything being done towards removing the stumps and other debris from our lake?

—With the expenditure of a little money judiciously used, we have the facilities for making our thriving little town a pleasant rural resort—a welcome refuge in which to spend a few weeks pleasantly for the wearied city man and his family.

—The pond pat in good condition for boating, a summer-house built on the point, hand-stand near to lawn-tennis and croquet grounds laid out in the park, a few boat-houses erected near the point, summer cottages along the banks of the pond, the pond itself stocked with fish, &c.

—The Band could give weekly concerts there, games could be arranged, matches take place twice or thrice a week with the material in town, no need to go outside our own community. The possibilities of such a scheme are great, and I may at some future time give the outline of such a scheme which would assuredly be of benefit to our merchants and citizens generally.

—But I must desist. Mr. A. informs me that one of the kids demands the immediate presence—with a shingle—of Acton, August 4th, 1886.

From Out in Erin.

From our own Correspondent. Mrs. John Cremon, of Cremons Corners, was severely injured last week, in consequence of the breaking of the axle of a buggy in which she was riding.

Another addition to the list of new barns, Mr. Lachlan McLean, 1st line, has commenced the stowwork in connection with a new barn of considerable size.

The great topic among farmers this season is self-binding. The agents are very plentiful, but the farmers are very careful. However, quite a number have been started in this, and the adjoining township of Erasmus.

A Sabbath School of a good deal of interest is held Sabbath mornings in the brick school house, 1st crossroad, officered by members of the Presbyterian Church, Orange, and of the Cremons Corners and Brick Methodist Churches. The average attendance of pupils, we understand, is about forty.

An Old Minister.

To the Editor of the Free Press. Dear Sir.—Knowing that many years ago the Methodist pulpit of Acton was supplied by Rev. Wm. Willoughby, I have ventured to tell you that I heard him preach last Sabbath at the quarterly meeting at Carlisle, East Flamboro township. The old veteran "Gospel war-horse," as he is called, has become very frail in appearance, but when fairly entered upon any exercise of worship exhibits a large amount of the energy and fire of fifteen years ago, when I last saw him. Those who will remember him will not be surprised to know that, while the tear of sympathy and shout of rejoicing are both ready, he has a penance, near-the-border expression of countenance. He is now living in Brantford as a superannuated minister.

Yours, J.

—Go to J. Fyfe's, Acton, for your clothing. He can suit you for price, quality and style every time.

PURELY PERSONAL.

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

Miss Della Kennedy is visiting friends in Galt.

Mrs. Gabriel Walls left on Tuesday for Winnipeg.

Miss Minnie Swan is the guest of friends in Point Edward.

Miss Jennie Somerville visited friends in Guelph this week.

Miss Mary J. Hynds was the guest of friends here this week.

Mr. George McGavin visited friends in Listowel during the week.

Mrs. Edw. Nicklin, of Guelph, visited friends in Acton this week.

Mr. Steve Marshall, Capt. of the S. A. Montreal, is home on a visit.

Mr. Asa Hall is the guest of his son, Mr. Z. A. Hall, Penstangishene.

Miss Alberta Saylor, of Guelph, is spending a week with friends here.

Mrs. R. Phillips and family left yesterday morning on a visit to friends in Orangeville.

Messrs. L. G. Matthews and James Moore, Jr., visited friends in Guelph on Sunday.

Miss Maggie Matthews left last week on a visit to friends in St. Marys, London and Bismarck.

Mr. James Smith, of Hamilton, is spending a couple of weeks with his mother, Mrs. C. S. Smith.

Mr. E. J. Evans left on Monday for the west, on a business trip for the Canada Glove Works.

Mrs. C. L. White, of St. Louis, Mo., formerly a resident of Acton, visited friends here this week.

Misses Celis Stafford, Annie Darby and Jennie Carroll, left on Monday to take situations in Toronto.

Rev. Alex. Russell and son, and Miss Tassie, of Hawkeville, were guests of Mrs. S. A. Secord last week.

The Free Press had a pleasant call on Monday from Mr. W. D. Brothers, editor of the Milton Reformer.

Mrs. Malcolm Kennedy and three little grandchildren left last week to spend a few weeks with friends in Beverly.

Mr. Lyman Hamilton, of the Halton Dry Goods House, left on Monday, to spend a couple of weeks at his old home in Meaford.

Mrs. I. Francis and children left yesterday morning for Gloversville, N. Y., with the intention of spending two or three weeks with friends there.

Mr. Wm. Hendry, manager of the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Co., Waterloo, and Mrs. Hendry, were guests of their daughter, Mrs. A. A. Ruby, on Saturday.

Mr. E. Longman, formerly teacher of Limehouse public school, and who has recently been a pupil at Collingwood Collegiate Institute, visited his friends there last week.

Among those who have successfully passed the recent examinations for matriculation at the University of Toronto, we notice the name of Mr. J. M. Bell, Nassagaweya.

We are happy to learn that Mrs. W. H. Howell, of Jerseyville, formerly of Acton, who has been confined to her room with a severe illness for the past three months, and whose recovery was for some time regarded very uncertain, is now slowly regaining health.

Mr. H. P. Moore, editor of the Free Press, accompanied by Mrs. Moore and Eddie, left this morning for Toronto to attend the annual meeting of the Canadian Press Association. They leave Toronto on the annual Press Excursion this evening per steamer Cuba of the merchant line, one of the largest and finest vessels on the lake, for Chicago. The steamer will pass through the Welland Canal on Friday, and Saturday afternoon will be spent in Cleveland. Fort Macnave will be visited on Tuesday, and Chicago will be reached on Wednesday, 11th inst., after six days on the water. On their return from Chicago Mr. and Mrs. Moore will spend a few days with friends in Michigan.

The Labrador Sufferers.

To the Editor of the Free Press.

Dear Sir.—As it appears, owing to the failure of the fishing on the coasts of Labrador, the people are in a state of unusual suffering for want of food, and within the past few days the press has contained heart-rending statements of their sufferings. For they tell us the inhabitants have not only eaten their ponies to sustain life, but were driven to the fearful necessity of devouring the dead bodies of their neighbors, and it is also reported half the inhabitants have died from starvation, or from the attack of numerous herds of white bears. Now, considering these terrible facts, we deem it proper to suggest that the Christian congregations of this community should on an early Sabbath devote the collections of that day to the relief of our fellow creatures, and that the receipts be handed to the Reeve of the village in trust, and by him, forwarded to the Governor of Newfoundland for further transmission. That the object of this appeal may not be overlooked for want of a stated day, we take the liberty of naming Sunday, the 15th inst.

D. B. CAMERON, W. J. PHOENIX, R. B. COOK, R. PHILLIPS, W. H. LOWRY, M. MURPHY, LAMAR, R. ROYCE.

Acton, August 3rd, 1886.

New Advertisements.

WANTED.

A RESPECTABLE, middle-aged woman for a general household duties in a small family, this past few days the press has contained heart-rending statements of their sufferings. For they tell us the inhabitants have not only eaten their ponies to sustain life, but were driven to the fearful necessity of devouring the dead bodies of their neighbors, and it is also reported half the inhabitants have died from starvation, or from the attack of numerous herds of white bears. Now, considering these terrible facts, we deem it proper to suggest that the Christian congregations of this community should on an early Sabbath devote the collections of that day to the relief of our fellow creatures, and that the receipts be handed to the Reeve of the village in trust, and by him, forwarded to the Governor of Newfoundland for further transmission. That the object of this appeal may not be overlooked for want of a stated day, we take the liberty of naming Sunday, the 15th inst.

3000 ACRES.

OF LAND for sale in the County of Dufferin. A quantity of land for sale at from 50 per acre to \$200 per acre. Terms and prices to suit all customers. Also village property in Shelburne, Hamilton, and other places. Apply to J. H. HEMSTREET, Auctioneer, Land Agent, &c., Shelburne. An honest man is acquainted with the County of Dufferin in almost every part, we can recommend him to intending purchasers.

AUGUST SALE

OF REMNANTS, JOBS AND ODD ENDS.

DRIVES, JOBS AND BARGAINS!

TO BE CLEARED OUT AT ANY PRICE.

REMNANTS OF PRINTS, REMNANTS OF TWEEDS, REMNANTS OF DENIMS, REMNANTS OF SHIRTINGS, REMNANTS OF DRESS GOODS, REMNANTS OF LACES AND RIBBONS, REMNANTS ALL KINDS OF GOODS

JOB LINES OF CORSETS, JOB LINES OF LADIES' SHOES, JOB LINES OF CHILDREN'S SHOES, JOB LINES OF MEN'S AND BOYS' BOOTS

These goods to be sold without regard to price, being odd lines and sizes.

SEE OUR NEW FANCY PRINTS—JUST IN NEW, NICE AND NOBBY.

Remember our Famous 50c. Tea.

HENDERSON, McRAE & CO., - Glasgow House, Acton.

R. B. JERMYN'S FOR NOBBY GOODS AT LOWEST CASH PRICES

I am offering for the June trade SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS. Housekeepers and others requiring anything in the lines mentioned below can rest assured that they can buy from me at more reasonable prices than any other store in Acton, and as cheap as any outside of Toronto. I have given the staff particular instructions not to misrepresent goods, and customers will find goods exactly as we represent them to be. I buy for Cash, saving thereby large discounts. I sell for Cash or Trade, and consequently have no bad debts, so an intelligent public can see at a glance that it is not necessary for Cash Stores to pile on big profits in order to live (as Credit Stores have to do), or, in other words, make the prompt-paying customer pay for the one that never intends to pay.

The following lines I have reduced fully TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT., and over in some cases, with the exception of Groceries, which I will sell as cheap as the cheapest.—

DRESS GOODS, in Nun's Cloth, Jersey Cloth, Canvas Cloth, black and colored all-wool Cashmere, black and colored Lustres, Silk Grenadines, Pongee Silks, black and colored Gros Grain Silks, black and colored Satin, black Satin Merveilleux, black and colored Velvets, Velvetines, and Crape Cloths.

Hosiery, all makes and prices. Gloves to suit everybody; don't fail to see our Misses' Lisle; Gloves at 15c. Corsets; Hoop Skirts, Bustles, and Ladies' Underwear.

PRINTS.—No house in Canada has ever shown a nicer range than we have now on our counters. Beautiful designs in Canvas Prints, a good cloth, fast colors, splendid pattern, for 10c., well worth 12c. Gingham and Muslins to please everybody. Gray Cottons, White Cottons, Shirts, Ducks, Denims, Towels, Towelling (great value), Brown Holland, Table Damask, etc., etc.

HOUSE FURNISHINGS.—Carpets, in Tapestry, Union and Hemp, Floor and Stair Oil-cloths. Curtains of nearly every style. Ask to see the Madras Muslin at 25c. per yard; it makes lovely curtains, and warranted to wash well. Turkish Rugs, from \$3 up.

MILLINERY.—Although it is getting late in the season, I am still adding novelties in this department, and customers will find correct styles and a competent lady in charge.

Boots and Shoes, Wall Papers and Groceries, all at prices to suit the times.

Remember the place—Griffin's Old Stand, the Halton Dry Goods House, Acton.

WHY DO WE DO IT? BECAUSE We won't fill our cellars with unnecessary goods. Out they must go, is the verdict of

RYAN, BERKINSHAW & CO. GUELPH.

1600 yds. Dress Goods, 5c. per yd., worth 12c. 800 yds. beautiful Dress Muslins, 5c. per yd., worth 8c. 13,000 yds. Beautiful Prints, from 5 to 10c. per yard.

This is three lines only of a host. See Joint Bills.

RYAN, BERKINSHAW & CO., SUCCESSORS TO JOHN HOGG & SON, 93 Upper Wyndham Street, Guelph.

GUELPH CLOTH HALL.

SHAW & GRUNDY, Merchant Tailors, HAVE RECEIVED THEIR FIRST INSTALMENT OF NEW FALL GOODS

SHAW & GRUNDY, Merchant Tailors, Guelph.

THE Cemetery Question

Is not settled yet, but the fact that

W. WILLIAMS Has the best stock of

Boots and Shoes

In the County is settled beyond dispute.

I have just received my Spring Stock, and am prepared to suit all old customers and as many new ones as see fit to give me a call, in all lines of footwear.

Boots for the babies; Boots for the men; Boots I do make; Boots I do mend.

Custom Work and Repairing promptly attended to.

Wm. Williams.

Preserve Your

Spectacles stock at Guelph. Largest in town. An optical shop. All kinds of Spectacles from \$20.00 up. Call when you want a pair. (GEO. HYND, AGT.)

THE FRUIT

Is now at its best. In keeping all kinds of Fruit. Orders for any quantity taken and filled with the best quality of the season. Canned Goods, Ice Cream, &c. In the City.

The Acton

TRAPNEY MORNING, CRUMBS FORB

Provided by the Evening Press Rep

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