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THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 8, 1887.
HALTON ELECTION.

The official majority of Mr. Waidio, the Reform Candidate, is announced as 9, the same as at first reported.

On Wednesday Mr. Henderson applied for a recount of the ballots. The recount will take place within a few days.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.
The Ontario Parliament re-assembled on Tuesday.

The United States reduced their debt during February by the amount of \$2,000,000.

Gen. Wolsey, in a recent interview, expressed his opinion that an appalling war is a certainty in the near future.

Hon. John Beverley Robinson will continue to discharge the duties of Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario until the 1st of June. After that date Sir Alex. Campbell will assume the office.

Special temperance sermons were preached in all the city Anglican churches of Toronto, on Sunday, and collections were taken up in aid of the Church of England Temperance Society.

It has been reported that June 21 had been fixed as the date for the national celebration of the Queen's Jubilee. The day will be declared a holiday and Her Majesty will attend a state service to be held in Westminster Abbey.

The Toronto Board of Trade on Friday passed a resolution urging the Dominion Government to enlarge the canals between Lake Ontario and the sea and to continue the reclamation of tolls on export grain passing through Canada.

It is years since we had a winter in which railway traffic has been so often and so seriously interrupted, as it has been during the present season. The fall of snow has been unusually heavy, and the alternating warm and cold weather has made it extremely difficult to remove.

According to reports from the Agricultural College—the average velocity of the wind for 24 hours, from 9.30 Saturday to the same time Sunday night, was 45 1/2 miles an hour. At one time on Saturday night—about half past nine—it reached the unusual velocity of 61 miles an hour.

Some two weeks ago the hotel-keepers in Downmanville closed up their houses and stables and sheds, and seemed resolved to bring the temperance people to better terms. Happily the emergency was soon met. The church sheds were thrown open for charge boarding houses were ready to give meals on the shortest notice, and a room was prepared for commercial travellers to show their samples. After about two weeks' battle it was rumored that one of the hotel-keepers was willing to open on temperance principles. This alarmed the rest of the town while engaged in extending their own interests.

On commenting upon the result of the Dominion Elections the Dundas Standard remarks:—"The look has the remnants of the Grit party behind it, but the Mill has nothing left except the prohibition cry. What that amounts to may be inferred from the way Mr. Henderson, of Hamilton, was treated by his Scott Act friends in Halton last Tuesday." To say the least this reference is unfair and the manager, if not the editor, of the Standard is well aware of the inference is false. Mr. Henderson's Scott Act friends voted for him to a man, also he could not have receded the Reform majority in the county from 83 in 1882, when the Scott Act Convention upon principle, voted against Mr. McKinley because of his anti-Scott proclivities.—to 9 in the election last week. The Scott Act voters in the County have invariably voted for prohibition candidates, and the party managers are so well aware of this that they did not attempt to nominate any but prohibitionists for Parliamentary honors.—Halton has wild temperance men in both houses.

HALTON SABBATH SCHOOLS.
Annual Convention of Halton Association of Sabbath Schools.
The County of Halton Sabbath School Association met in Convention in Georgetown last Thursday and Friday. There was a good attendance, the representation being pretty general and the excellent program was faithfully carried out. An unusual feature, noticeable and worthy of record, was that without a single exception every person assigned a place on the program was at his post. Some very interesting papers were read and addresses delivered, and the discussions thereon cannot but be helpful to those teachers and Sabbath school workers who were fortunate enough to be present. The first day's sessions were held in the Congregational Church. The President, Mr. W. S. Hall, of Hamilton, took the chair at ten o'clock. After a devotional session verbal reports and practical suggestions were made by Messrs. F. Raich, N. Coates, R. Reid, J. Harrison, Wm. Hood, E. Grant, S. Deane, G. H. Kennedy, W. Kitchin, H. P. Moore, and Wm. S. Hall.

The afternoon was taken up with a paper by Rev. A. Richardson, of Church Hill, on "How to get church members to work in the Sunday School." It was an interesting essay and was followed by a spirited discussion.

Rev. Dr. McVicar, of MacMaster Hall, Toronto, then told the convention how "How I taught the Sunday School." The Dr.'s address was one of rare merit. He said no one should be a teacher in a S. S. who is not present every Sunday. The work of the Sunday School should be to lead pupils to the saving knowledge of Christ. 2. To develop and perfect the moral and spiritual nature of pupils. 3. To place them in right working relations to the eternal world, to their fellow creatures and to God. And there is only one means to be used, viz., the Bible. He advised dependence upon the bible more absolutely, and much less resort to lesson helps.

The evening session was opened with singing, prayer and an anthem by the excellent choir of the church.

Revs. McLeod followed in a cordial address of welcome, short and to the point.

Mr. E. P. Moore, statistical secretary, then read his report of which the following is a synopsis:—

There are sixty-seven Sabbath Schools in the county, forty-four of which filled in and returned the statistical blanks sent to them. This is an increase of four over last year.

Denominationally the schools reported as follows:—Baptist, 1; Congregational, 2; Union, 2; Baptist, 3; Church of England, 3; Presbyterian, 11; Methodist, 22. Thirty schools are kept open the whole year; fourteen from spring until about Christmas.

The libraries contain 8,545 volumes, an increase of 2,266 since last year.

Scholars enrolled 3,341; an increase of 621.

Average attendance 2,494; an increase of 487.

Teachers and officers, 487; an increase of 88.

Scholars who are members of the church, 704; an increase of 180.

Scholars who united with the church during the year, 129; an increase of 10.

Funds raised for Sabbath School purposes, \$1604.85; an increase of \$414.18.

For missions, \$899.50; an increase of \$22.75.

For benevolent purposes, \$71.50; an increase of \$59.05.

The report in its various details was the most satisfactory and encouraging ever presented before the association.

Rev. Prof. McVicar followed with an excellent address respecting Sabbath School work in general. He thought those not Sunday School teachers know nothing of the difficulties and discouragements that beset christians to encourage teachers in their work. Fathers and mothers should feel themselves more responsible for the souls of their children. There is a "door" in the heart of every boy and girl, and parents can find it when Sunday School teachers can not.

On Friday morning Rev. M. C. Cameron, of Milton, presented a carefully prepared paper on "Sunday School Literature." It embraced some very good ideas and recommended that every school should have a permanent library committee whose duty it would be to select and minutely examine every volume allowed in the library. Also that there should be no promiscuous purchase of books, but that they should come through the committee from time to time during the year.

A valuable essay on the "Duties of parents as regards their children," was read by Rev. R. Phillips. He claimed that all children have rights and all parents have duties. Two important facts to be considered: worth and responsibility. Parents fill the most responsible station in the world. Parents owe important duties to their children, and are under obligation to perform them. Parents should get right with God and themselves. The hope of the world was a devoted and consecrated parentage. Owing to the relationship of the child to the atonement of Christ, at the earliest date possible he should be made aware that he is Christ's and never belonged to the devil. The mind of an infant is a perfect blank and is capable of great development. Then train up a child in the way he should go, etc. This cannot be begun too soon in the child's life.

Interesting discussions followed each of the above papers and were engaged in by delegates generally.

The first business of Friday afternoon was the election of officers, as follows:—

President—James Raich, Burlington.

1st Vice-Pres.—E. E. Harrison, Georgetown.

2nd Vice-Pres.—H. D. Warren, Georgetown.

SECRETARY—J. S. Deacon, Milton.

Executive Committee—J. Barclay, N. J. Wellwood, W. H. Young and Dr. Leak, Oakville, Robt. Coates and Dr. Bates, Burlington, and W. S. Hall, Hornby.

Delegates to the Inter-County Convention—Rev. B. H. Abraham, Burlington.

Next Convention of the association will be held at Oakville.

At 2:30 p.m. a mass meeting of the children was held, and they were addressed in a most pleasing and instructive manner by Rev. John Neil, B. A., Toronto.

The children were dismissed, and Mr. J. Deacon, P. B. L., gave the paper "Best method of teaching a Sunday School Class." Numerous ideas of value and

valuable in form were suggested, and in the opinion of the convention the subject was very ably handled by the speaker. In the evening Rev. W. S. Hall, of Hamilton, addressed a large audience, the sermon in which the Sunday School should be to the church and to the home. A few of his points were:—Nothing can take the place of the home. The Sunday School should not be the children's church. Lead the child to Christ. As soon as it is able to love parents he is able to love Christ. It is in youth that permanent impressions are made. Make the child acquainted with the Word of God. The rocks on which others have been wrecked and the paths he should follow are all marked by it. God's Word is its own best defense. Pupils should be taught to give to the Lord's work, to take an interest in missions at home and abroad. Teachers must be filled with the love of Christ. If teacher has his brain and heart full he will be able to keep his pupils interested. The Methodist Church choir provided music for the evening, an interesting interlude being a sacred solo by Mrs. John Bhillon.

The sum of \$50 was raised by the various schools of the county for aid of the Provincial Association.

The people of Georgetown entertained their hosts right royally, and did all in their power to make their visit in every way pleasant and agreeable.

To Mr. R. D. Warren, the efficient and painstaking general secretary much credit is due for the success of the convention, and to him the Free Press representative extends his thanks for courtesies received at his hands.

Limehouse News.
From our own Correspondent.

One of Bell & Co's agents, of Guelph, has sold several organs to the people of the village during the past two weeks. Others he could not sell to his left them organs on trial.

One of our excited politicians who went to bed on election night got out of bed in his sleep and went out on the street to give three cheers for his favorite candidate. He soon noticed his mistake and skipped for indoors.

One of Acton's business men who ought to know this village better, drove through here with a young lady one night last week. They wandered around for some time, finally they got into the wood yard and could not find their way out. Someone happened to see their distress and kindly allowed him the way out of town.

Mr. Duncan McDonald who has been residing in Toronto during the past year has returned to Limehouse.

The lime works were shut down last Monday owing to the storm of Sunday last which drifted into the quarries.

Mr. Wiggins, the township assessor for this year, was here last Friday assessing the village property. Several of our young men had their names placed on the assessment roll so as that they could have a vote in the future.

Mr. Britnell, of Toronto, has had teams engaged during the winter hauling stone from the sixth line quarry and piling them here near the station so as to have them ready to ship as soon as building operations commence in the city. He has now over one hundred car loads ready for shipment.

Limehouse, March 1st, 1887.

Rockwood News.
From our own Correspondent.

Messrs. Houghan & Currie have leased from Mr. John Moore of the four mill recently vacated by Hayward & Co.

Mr. S. Duffield, of the Railroad Hotel, is in bed seriously ill.

Miss Wetherald, with her class, gives an evening's entertainment of readings in the town hall here on Friday next.

Mr. Pike, of Guelph, is pushing forward as rapidly as the weather will permit, the erection of a large draw line kiln near Farrish's oatmeal mill.

The foot ball team from John Strachan's School, Nanawaga, played a match here on Saturday with the Rockwood School. Result:—Two straight games to Rockwood.

Miss Annie Black has returned to Toronto after spending two or three weeks with friends in this neighborhood.

Miss McFarlane, formerly of Rockwood, is visiting at Mr. John Wright's.

What we noticed on election day:—That we didn't get any of the hoodle. That the independents are with the man on top altho' the lower one is lunatic. That the Rev. J. B. Taylor and Tories drawing Grit voters to the polls.


That "Tom" sold his vote to the one side for twenty-five and then to the other for ten cents.

Among the visiting voters, Alex. McMillan, Falkland; John Lyall, Wyvale; Dr. Curry, G. W. Dryden and Mac. Farrish, Toronto; Fm. Torrance, Fergus; Gabriel Wells and John Nelson, Acton. X.Y.Z. Rockwood, March 1st, 1887.

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C. E. STACEY, M. D.,
Acton, Feb. 24th, 1887.

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The Anniversary services of the Methodist Church will be held on
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