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The Acton Free Press.
THURSDAY MORNING, APRIL 21, 1897.

CRUMBS FOR BREAKFAST.
Provided by the Ever Thoughtful Free Press Reporters.

Council meeting next Tuesday evening. -Haltou Spring Fair at Milton to-morrow. -Georgetown volunteers are drilling now every week. -Queen's Birthday four weeks from next Tuesday. -The lap of spring is now too warm for winter to linger in. -Guelph has appointed Tuesday, 3rd May, Arbor Day.

Mr. A. W. Green has broken ground for his new dwelling on Main street. -Mr. John Hay has purchased the dairy business of Mr. Charles Cameron. -Church street sidewalk between Frederick and Main streets should be renewed. -According to the *Advocate* a couple of new brick stores are to be erected in Erin. -Excavations are being made for Mr. Wm. Swackhamer's new residence on Mill street.

Mr. James Campbell is building new stables in connection with the Royal Exchange hotel. -Millions of a snide travelling troupe which appeared in the town hall last week. -The Board of Health has something to say to every resident respecting sanitary matters, in another column.

Rev. A. T. Sowerby will preach his farewell sermon in the Baptist Chapel on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. -A budget of interesting American papers has kindly been sent to this office by Mrs. L. S. Butler, of St. Clair, Mich. -Owing to the keen competition among the milkmen, milk is now selling at four cents with prospects of further decline. -Mr. Nelson F. Moore has commenced the milk business. His Maple Grove Dairy will be in full running order next week.

The electric light will be discontinued on the streets by Guelph City Council at the end of this week. Let's buy them out. -The Council is likely to be petitioned to do a little draining on Mill and Main streets. A number of cellars contain water. -In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of new clothes. Many are shut out where tailors do not trust.

Mr. Abram Stauffer has purchased the lot and dwelling on the corner of Church and Wilbur streets from Mr. Edward Dymos. -Mr. Thomas Howson has sold his farm on the base line, near Hornby, to Mr. William Thompson, of Easington, for \$9000.00.

Our manufacturers would consider it a boon indeed if Acton were made a Port of Call. Their business with the Customs now is extensive. -Messrs. Kelly Bros. announce a spring sale of clothing, gent's furnishings and groceries now in progress. Their adv. is worthy of perusal. -Mr. Thomas Hyde, has sold his fifty acre farm, part of lot 30, con. 2, Easington, to Mr. Wm. Sawyer. This property adjoins Mr. Sawyer's present farm. -Mrs. Thomas Duncan has sold her stock of groceries, glassware, &c., to Mr. L. G. Matthews. -Mrs. Duncan will return to her father's home near Barris. -Trust fishing a week from next Monday. Judging from the number of new and expensive rods and tackle being invested in by local sportsmen the season will be a lively one. -Rev. Mr. Somerville has preached in Knox Church the past two Sundays. Rev. John Mordy, of Midland, who was here some months ago, will occupy the pulpit next Sunday.

THE WEEK'S RARINGS.
Which are Principally Local and All Interesting.

Fatal Accident at Guelph.
While a number of laborers were excavating for the foundation of the new Catholic Church, Guelph, on Saturday morning the earth caved in on them, burying Fred Roche, a Frenchman, aged 31, and crushing him so badly that when he was extricated life was extinct.

Law Regarding Newspapers.
There is a point in the law regarding newspapers which every reader ought to be conversant with. It is this—If a person orders his paper discontinued, he must pay all arrears, or the publisher may continue to send it until payment is made, and collect the whole amount.

That Old Man.
We all sincerely hope it is not so, but really when the people came out of the churches last Sunday evening and found the town shrouded in darkness, they once concluded that the present lamp-lighter had borrowed the alms used so carelessly by the previous functionary of that office. That old almsman should be superannuated forthwith.

Removing From Acton.
Having secured a good situation in the blacksmithing department of the foundry of Messrs. Beatty Bros., Fenwick, Mr. Andrew Toakay has closed his shop here. He entered upon his new duties last Monday. During the six months' residence of Mr. Toakay and his estimable family in Acton they have won many warm friends and enduring friendships have been formed. All join in wishing them success in their new home. The family will remain here for several weeks.

A Burglary at Oakville.
A jewelry store and a harness shop at Oakville were burglarized last Thursday night. The chief haul was made in the jewelry shop from which a clock, a watch movement and some tools were taken. Two young men, Duval Martin and Alexander McKenna, who are supposed to be the burglars, were arrested in Toronto on Saturday by Detectives Cuddy and McGrath in an Adelaide street eating house. Some of the tools were found on them. The pair bear bad reputations, having been recently released from the Reformatory at Penetanguishene.

Another Old Resident Deceased.
Yesterday morning Mr. Robert McPherson, of Speyside, one of the oldest residents of this vicinity, breathed his last, after a protracted illness. Mr. McPherson left Edinburgh for Canada when he was about twenty-one years of age, and fifty-five years ago settled on the farm where he died. For a number of years he was postmaster at Speyside, and also delivered the mail. He was a Presbyterian. In politics he was a radical Republican, and though no man could be a Conservative and an honest man. Quite a family of sons and daughters survives him.

Exchange of Pupils.
Rev. R. T. W. Webb, of Grand Valley, and Rev. W. J. Pigott, B. A., of St Alban's Church, exchanged pupils last Sunday. Mr. Webb preached two excellent sermons, and the audience were very favorably impressed with his ability and earnestness. We understand there is a prospect of a change in the incumbency of St. Alban's Church, in the near future. If so, the appointment of Rev. Mr. Webb to the vacancy would no doubt be very generally acceptable to the members and congregation. A student from Trinity College will preach in St. Alban's Acton, and St. John's, Rockwood, next Sunday.

A New Swindle.
A brace of rascals are going round the country operating a new and ingenious swindle. They read the local newspapers carefully, and when a farmer publishes an astray notice, No. 1 calls to look at the animal. The farmer shows the beast and the fellow depicts it is not his; then he returns to his partner and describes it minutely to him. No. 2 goes to the farmer and, after prying by a thorough description that he is the owner of the animal, says he can get take it away and offers to sell it at a bargain. The farmer buys it, and not unduly in a few days the rightful owner comes and claims the animal.

How They Treat Them in Guelph.
In Guelph the authorities permit no nonsense in the matter of the discharge of firearms within the municipality. The *Herald* says: "Fred. Mahoney, Fred. Shields, Clarence Galbraith, Fred. Rose, and John Day, Jr., were this morning charged with firing off a gun within the city limits. They were fined \$1 and \$1.27 costs each. The shot, it is said, badly rattled a fence. A little of just such wholesome treatment of offenders by our public officers would do some boys in Acton good. By-law No. 17 provides a penalty of from \$1 to \$10 and costs for this class of 'fun'."

No more Passes to Live Stock Men.
At the recent meeting of the Dominion Live Stock Association in Montreal it was resolved, "That as the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific had jointly agreed to issue no passes to live stock men, and as the Grand Trunk, when it had no opposition, issued passes to men in charge of stock and free returns, the Live Stock Association pledges itself, where practicable, to ship exclusively by the Grand Trunk."

Tenth Anniversary of Acton Lodge I.O.O.F. Acton Lodge, I.O.O.F., has just completed its tenth year, and in commemoration of this event, as well as the sixtieth anniversary of the establishment of the order in America, a sermon will be preached in the Methodist Church next Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock. Rev. R. Phillips will take for his subject "The Ideal Obedience." On the following Tuesday evening the members and their ladies and a few friends will spend a social evening together in the lodge room.

Death of a Prominent Farmer.
On Saturday afternoon the intelligence of the death of Mr. Thomas Lamb, of Lot 29, Con. 6, Easington, was received with sad hearts by our citizens. Mr. Lamb had been suffering for a number of weeks from an attack of typhoid fever which resulted in his death. Some three years ago last February while chopping in his bush, a limb fell upon him and broke his leg. He was alone, unable to help himself, and was obliged to lie in the snow for some four hours before help arrived. From that time he was never really well, and although previously very strong and robust, his constitution, owing to the effect of this accident, was unable to withstand the attack of typhoid. Mr. Lamb was born on the homestead, lot 29, nearly forty-eight years ago, and has ever since been a resident there, and on his present farm where he died. He was a man universally respected, upright in all his transactions, and one of the best of neighbors and friends. While he has never taken any official position in public matters, he was widely known as a prominent and successful farmer. He was a member and liberal supporter of St. Joseph's Church here. His kind wife and three children survive him. The funeral on Monday was one of the largest seen in this community for some time, and St. Joseph's Church was packed to the doors during the services. Rev. Father Synnot of Guelph officiated.

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

Miss Minnie Adams spent Sunday with friends in Georgetown. -Mr. W. Shaw, of Guelph, spent a day or two in Acton this week. -Mr. Chas. Midgley, of Toronto, visited friends in Acton last week. -Mrs. R. Reid, of Orangeville, is the guest of Mr. J. E. McGarvin. -Mr. Alex. Irving, of Thessalon, was the guest of friends here this week. -Miss Anne J. Easterbrook, of Campbellville, visited friends here this week. -Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jeans, of Glenwilliams, paid Acton friends a visit this week.

Miss Nina Speight, of Newtombrook has been spending a couple of weeks with relatives here. -Mr. R. Craine returned home from the North West last week. He had a very satisfactory trip. -Mr. Alfred Easton has received a position as telegraph operator in the Prospect House, Niagara Falls. -Mrs. W. M. Crewson returned on Tuesday from Bayville. She is much improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Warren, of the Georgetown *Herald*, were guests at Cedar Creek Farm over Sunday. -Mr. Fred Nicholas, secretary of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, Toronto, was in town on Tuesday. -The Fair Press has much pleasure in congratulating Rev. W. S. McTavish, of St. George, upon whom the degree of B.D., has just been conferred by Knox College. -Mrs. Abram Matthews and Mrs. M. Christie left on Monday for Lincoln, Neb., where they will remain for some time. Their many friends here wish them a safe and pleasant journey.

Our Erin Letter.
From our own Correspondent.
We notice frequent advertisements in the papers, of animals having strayed into the premises of farmers and others, which are not published until they have been perhaps months in the care of the advertiser. We believe owners would be better pleased to learn of the whereabouts of their property as soon as possible, and do their own feeding, than to search for a long while and have to pay expenses at last.

Our neighbors in Acton it appears, have been furnished with a tragic play in which the discharge of a pistol, accompanied by the tragic words, "Die! thou villain, die!" were prominent features, as part of an entertainment provided over by one of the county's active B. S. workers. We notice that the Erin Township Council has ordered that the statute labor schedules be prepared from the assessment roll of 1886, as the roll for this year will not be ready in time as the assessor's duties will not commence until May 1st.

The drum of the Salvation Army, in Acton we suppose, was distinctly heard a long distance from Acton one evening last week. We notice that the Rev. Mr. Fowle pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Orangeville, was recently waited upon at his home by a few of the members of his Erin congregation and presented in the name of the congregation with a few kind words of assurance of the high esteem in which he is held, together with a purse containing just one hundred dollars as a slight recognition of his valuable services both in public and private. Rev. Mr. Fowle is beloved by his Orangeville people also.

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Dear Sir:—I assure you I feel grateful for the radical cure you have effected in my throat troubles and I shall be glad to have my name appear in connection with the testimonial just received, as well as having a desire to recognize the results of your treatment. I make a departure in this case, from my usual mode of writing, as I had suffered for two years from repeated attacks of catarrh of the throat, each succeeding attack being more prolonged and violent than the former. At these times I had violent fits of coughing, and would discharge large quantities of mucus. Feeling alarmed, I sought the best medical skill available, including a much noted specialist, and took almost everything known to medicine without experiencing a particle of relief. Last spring I went to Europe. The change did me good, but on my return to my home in this case, and gave relief. I had just this place, I thought I would consult you, though I could not see you, and I was surprised to receive your reply, and to find you willing to give your treatment a trial. The result, I am happy to inform you, is a complete cure, and one so quick in its operation as to surprise both myself and my friends. From the first your medicine seemed adapted to my case and gave relief. In two months I was entirely well, and have so continued during the most unfavorable season of the year. You are at liberty to make what use you please of this letter, and I shall be pleased to receive any enquiries relative to my case. Yours very truly, W. H. STOREY.

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