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The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 12, 1887.

CRUMBS FOR BREAKFAST.

Provided by the Ever Thoughtful Free Press Reporters.

—Vegetation is making rapid strides.

—Oil the gate hinges and prop up the fence.

—Acton is as neat and clean as a new pin now.

—Guelph is to have a Queen's Birthday celebration.

—Flour and wheat are advancing slightly in price.

—The Sanitary Inspector will call upon you next week.

—The labor of the sturdy yoeman has begun in earnest.

—The lawn mower has commenced its summer song again.

—The small boy and the base ball bat are very conspicuous.

—The school children enjoyed their half-holiday on Arbor Day.

—Acton, Georgetown and Milton observed last Friday as Arbor Day.

—The weather has been wonderfully warm this week, for May.

—The Toronto and Kingston Presbytery is in session at Brampton.

—While a bicycle club may go on wheels, the base ball club will go better on runners.

—Next year, 1888, is leap year, and a matrimonial boom may then be expected.

—The brickwork of Mr. Selwood's four houses on Young street, is progressing rapidly.

—Mr. Levi Havens, of Limehouse, has sold his house and lot to Mr. James O'Neill for $350.

—Rev. Mr. Scott, of Suspension Bridge, N. Y., preached in the Disciple's Chapel on Monday evening.

—The Georgetown firemen are to have new coats. McLeod, Anderson & Co., have secured the contract.

—Everything that is Canadian in weather has been carried out to perfection thus far this season.

—Mr. John Waldie's expenses in the recent election amount to $562.70. Mr. Henderson's were $191.92.

—A gain of 782 in 1887 in the population of Berlin is a good showing, and $69,592 in value of property is better still.

—Knox Church, Guelph, has voted for an organ. Both the congregation and the session have decided in favor of it.

—A contrast. Palmerston with a population of 1,824 has a debt of $53,000. Acton has a population of 1,265 and a debt of $5,650.

—Georgetown Paper Mills are fifty years old and have been conducted for half a century under the one firm name, Wm. Barber & Bros.

—Mr. T. H. Harding, grocer, has just completed refitting the interior of his store in Agnew's block. It now presents a handsome appearance.

—The Council has corrected the irregularity in the planting of the trees in Fairview Cemetery complained of by "Plot Owner" last week.

—The population of Galt has increased 875 since last year, its present population being 6667. Its assessment being $1,657,835, an increase of $95,685.

—Milton has corporation jobbers, who the *Reformer* charges, are employed because they vote for the members of the Council who engage them.

—Most of the prejudice against labor is caused by laziness. It is hard work to work hard, and there are young men who would sooner borrow than labor.

—The Cemetery presents a much more attractive appearance since the trees have been planted therein. Several hundred dwarf evergreens are yet to be planted.

—Paris, Ont., has set a good example for the rest of the world by imprisoning a man for thirty days for allowing a livery horse to stand all night in harness in an open shed, without food or water.

—An interesting base ball match was played in the driving park on Arbor Day, between nines from wards number one and two. The game resulted in a victory for the former in a score of 7 to 0.

—Rev. Dr. Torrance, of Guelph, preached in Knox Church last Sunday in his usual eloquent and impressive manner. Rev. G. Coull, M. A., of Valleyfield, Que., will occupy the pulpit next Sunday.

—One of the busiest places in town is Ebbage's planing mill. This establishment has the contract for supplying all the boxes and necessary woodwork for the trunk factory, and it keeps a good staff of workmen jumping. Mr. Ebbage has just put in a fine new re-sawing machine.

—A meeting of the committee of Acton Branch Bible Society was held on Monday evening. It was decided to hold the annual meeting about the 1st of June, to be addressed by Rev. T. W. Jeffery, of Brampton. In the meantime the collectors will proceed with their duties. In order to secure the greater success lady collectors have been appointed.

—One day last week a party of sportsmen from Georgetown, spent the day in fishing in one of the streams in Nassagaweya and met with considerable success. They put up at one of the hotels here for supper and while discussing the meal their their fish disappeared. The day's sport for livery rig and other expenses cost them about $10.00 and they returned home with empty baskets after all.

—The Good Templar lodges have contributed and paid $152.42 to Mr. T. H. James, of Glenwilliams, to assist him in the loss of his barn which was fired some months ago by supposed Anti-Scott vandals.

—Police Magistrate Young has instructed his attorney to enter a suit for libel against David W. Campbell and William Paxton, editors and proprietors of the Milton *Champion*, for certain libelous articles which appeared in a recent date of their paper.—*Oakville Star.*

—Somebody has threatened the Erin *Advocate* with a libel suit. The last issue the editor shows that there is no lack of pluck in his composition. He says:—We have made enquiry into the matter, and may state for the information of our caller that we are prepared to back up every assertion. Trot on your libel suit.

—A certain young married man in town whose daily avocation renders it inconvenient to satisfy his natural longings to sustain his old time reputation as a successful fisherman, went out fishing last Sunday and succeeded in catching 29 trout in one of the streams running into Nassagaweya. Ashamed to take them home on Sunday and thus acknowledge his fracture of the Sabbath day to his good wife who would be shocked at such doings, he hid the fish, got up early the next morning, went to the pond for an hour or so and returned with a fine string of trout for breakfast. Wrong doing "will come out," you know.

THE WEEK'S RAKINGS.

Which are Principally Local and All Interesting.

Volunteers, Attention.

The members of company 6, Halton Battalion Lorne Rifles, will meet at the drill shed on Friday and Saturday evenings to commence their annual drill. Any recruits who desire to enlist should apply to Lieut. John Agnew.

Rather Have a Box of Nice Lettuce.

The Georgetown *Herald* says:—A nice box of lettuce from the garden of Mr. H. Townsend was presented to the *Herald* this week.—We'd rather have a box of nice lettuce.—Hamilton *Spectator*. Where is the schoolboy this time bro. *Herald*. Perhaps the school teacher could take a lesson himself with profit.

Right Arm Broken.

The other day while a number of little boys were engaged in play on Church street, one of them, Johnnie Folkes, was accidently shoved backwards off the sidewalk, and falling upon his right arm sustained a fracture of one of the small bones. The little fellow suffered a good deal but is doing well.

Fashionable Wedding at Guelph.

There was a fashionable gathering in St. George's Church on Tuesday to witness the wedding of Mr. William G. A. Lamb, of the firm of Williamson & Lamb, tea merchants, Toronto, and Miss Beverly Dixon, youngest daughter of the Ven. Archdeacon Dixon of that city. The ceremony was performed by Bishop Hamilton, after which a reception was held.

Enterprise Admired.

The Newmarked *Era* says:—"The way some of our Western towns take hold of the matter of tree planting would scare the life out of some of the Eastern old fogies and they would be ready to cry bankruptcy at once. The Reeve of Acton proclaimed Friday the 6th of May, a public holiday, and requested that the day be spent in planting trees on the streets in town. The Council supplied trees free of charge to citizens."

Teachers' Examinations.

Candidates for any grade of non-professional certificate must send application and fee ($2 for each examination) to the P. S. Inspector, Milton, *not later* than May 24th. Blank forms should be obtained from the Inspector as soon as possible. Following are the dates of examinations:—II. Class, 4th July, 9 a.m.; III., 12th July, 9 a.m.; I. C., 11th July, 2 p.m.; I. A. or B., 19th July, 9 a.m. 46-2t

A Progressive Industry.

Referring to the Speight Manufacturing Co. the Markham *Economist* says:—This establishment is doing a larger business than at any season since its establishment in 1882. Orders for buggies, waggons, land rollers, street busses, carts &c., are being secured from Maine to the great North West, the local trade receiving the most prompt attention. Sixty hands are employed and are now working over time to keep up with the orders.

Another Compliment.

Friend Moore, of the *Free Press*, stole a march on the profession when he sent specimens of job printing to the Colonial Exhibition last year, and Acton has every reason to feel proud of the distinction conferred upon him, not only for having the only Printing Office in Canada receiving a bronze medal and diploma, but for being capable of executing fancy job work that will bear very favorable comparison with our large cities.—Newmarket *Era*.

Halton Battalion—Lorne Rifles.

The Guelph *Mercury* says:—Col. Allan, Acton, of the Lorne Rifles, has ordered Mr. H. R. Shaw, artist, to paint portraits of of the Marquis of Lorne and the Princess Louise for the Lorne Rifles. The Col. so much admired Mr. Shaw's artistic ability that he gave the order. The Lorne Rifles is one of the finest Battalions of volunteers in the Province, and the credit of this is due in a great measure to the energetic and popular Col., who takes the greatest pride in his men, and possesses the confidence of officers and soldiers alike.

First Impressions.

The first thing that strangers note in coming into a town is the condition of the streets. If they are straight, clean and have good walks, the stranger is favorably impressed. If the yards that line the streets are neat and well kept, though they may not be expensively decorated, the impression of the thrift of the people and the beauty of the town helps him to decide the question, and say, "I will settle in this town." The officials of the town have their work to do in ordering the streets kept neat and clean and the sidewalks kept in repair. The citizens have their part to do in keeping their door-yards clean. Every person has a work to do in making the town presentable, and they should not fail in their duty. This is the way to attract strangers to our midst, and make citizens of them. We wonder if all our citizens think of this.

A New Periodical.

The Grip Publishing Company, of Toronto, have commenced the publication of a new monthly periodical, entitled Grip's Own Library. The first number is made up of "Good Things from Grip," being comic pictures and comic reading selected from the pages of Grip. It is printed on fine calendar paper, and at the price of ten cents is a credit to the publishers, and will no doubt meet with a very large sale. The second number will be entitled, "Jubilee Jollities," to be issued June 1st, and a very large edition is being prepared in anticipation of an enormous sale.

Narrow Escape From Drowning.

A child about a year and a half old, belonging to Mr. John Kitching, Nassagaweya, had a narrow escape from being drowned last Friday. Two of a neighbor's children were playing with a small express waggon in which was seated the little child. By some means the express became upset and the child was thrown head first into a pond at the edge of the road. The other children ran to a blacksmith shop near by and gave the alarm, and help arrived just in time to save the life of the little one, which was lying on its face in the bottom of the pond. After some exertion it was resuscitated, and is now as well as ever.

Settled Amicably by Arbitration.

The trustees of S. S. No. 10, Erin, are about to build a new school house, and owing to alterations in the limits of the section, it was deemed advisable to change the location, giving the school a more central situation. As to the particular location to be selected a difference of opinion arose between two of the trustees and the people of the section. A meeting was called to discuss the matter, but no decision was arrived at. It was then decided to settle the matter by arbitration, and Messrs. D. Henderson, Acton, John Warren, Esquesing, and J. J. Craig, the P. S. Inspector, were appointed arbitrators. A meeting was held by them in the town hall, Acton, on Saturday afternoon, when all the pros and cons of the case were heard and considered. The site desired by the people, on the farm of Mr. Donald McDonald, between the 4th and 5th concessions, being the most central for all concerned, was chosen by the arbitrators, and we understand nearly all interested went home satisfied. The erection of a neat and commodious school house will now be proceeded with.

Arbor Day a Decided Success.

Arbor Day was right royally observed last Friday by our citizens, as far as planting trees on the streets is concerned. The council supplied between two and three hundred trees free of charge and many calls were made for a supply by citizens who failed to arrive bright and early. Quite a number of people went to the bush for their own trees and altogether a fine lot were planted. At the Public School the day was observed with a will by the children and their teachers. There was an army of hearty workers, some with hoes, rakes and brooms engaged in cleaning and beautifying the school grounds, others with spades and forks, trimming and planting trees, and thus they accomplished a large amount of creditable work under the superintendence of Principal Moore during the forenoon. At eleven o'clock the members of the Board of Trustees arrived and lent their aid in completing the good work. All was finished at about a quarter to twelve when the children of all the departments were called together and a few words were addressed them by Messrs. J. E. McGarvin, ex-Chairman, Thos. Ebbage, Chairman Property Committee, I. Francis and H. P. Moore, Secretary of the board, complimenting them upon the excellent work performed by them during the forenoon and encouraging them to diligence in their duties and to the building up of character to sustain them in the busy cares of life upon which they would all in a comparatively few years enter. At the conclusion of these exercises Mr. McGarvin proclaimed the afternoon a half-holiday for the children to enjoy themselves as best they could. This announcement was of course hailed with delight by them all. The school grounds are as neat and tidy as a new pin and they contain the finest lot of healthy maples in town, in various stages of maturity. There are now eighty of them varying in age from twenty years to two or three. The public school grounds in Acton will eventually present a very handsome and attractive appearance, and around each tree will cling pleasant recollections to the pupils of each succeeding decade.

Rev. J. H. Hilts was summoned to his home at Streetville from here last week to the death bed of his son Joseph Leonard, who died on Wednesday morning. He was about twenty-five years of age and left a young wife to mourn his sudden demise.

The following complimentary reference to Rev. J. S. Colling, a former pastor here, appeared in the last issue of the Fergus *Advocate*:—Rev. J. S. Colling has received a hearty and pressing invitation by the Fergus Quarterly Board to remain as pastor of the Methodist Church for another year. The congregation is increasing, and everything is working satisfactorily, and it is desirable that the rev. gentleman will see his way clear to comply with the request of the Board.

GOOD REASONS.

The following letter to the point at issue appeared in the Guelph *Mercury* of Tuesday;—

To the Editor of the Mercury.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to submit seven reasons why the Scott Act should not be repealed;—

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2. Because it has never yet been repealed and Guelph will not be the first to show the white feather.
3. Because it is only temperance law we have on our statute books.
4. Because it is a step in the direction of Prohibition, and our people are too progressive to step backwards again.
5. Because it is a wholesome terror to whiskey dealers. The man who violates its provisions is a criminal, and he knows this well enough to dread the consequences.
6. Because it places the responsibility of the liquor traffic upon the shoulders of those who should bear it. The people have no partnership in it.
7. Because the traffic is wrong, and we will have none of it.

Yours, etc.,
SCOTT.

Guelph, May 10, 1887.

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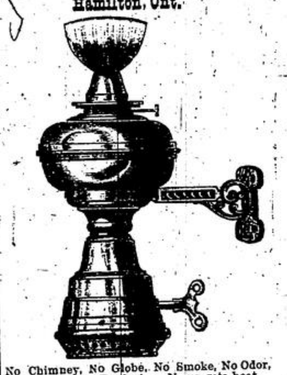

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