

THE CRADLE.
ALLAN—Near Acton, on the 21st June, the wife of Mr. H. Allan, of a son.
HARRISON—In Acton on the 6th inst., the wife of Mr. Thos. Harding of a daughter.
NEWTON—In Litchfield, on the 21st June, the wife of Mr. John Newton, of a son.
MCDONALD—In Rockwood, on the 21st May, the wife of Mr. Peter McDonald, of a daughter.

THE GRAVE.
FERRMAN—At Ridgeway, on the 10th June, John Ferrman.
The deceased was one of the pioneers of the township of Ridgeway, having purchased a farm adjoining the village of Georgetown, and settled there when that country was a wilderness. For some years he has lived with his son-in-law, Rev. R. Clouston.

The Acton Free Press.
THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 9, 1887.
NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada opens its session in Winnipeg to-day.

Hon. Mr. Blake has temporarily retired from Parliamentary work on the urgent advice of his physician—Globe.

Sir John Macdonald in the House on Tuesday said that prorogation would probably take place on the 18th inst.

A general exhibit of Canadian products will not be made at the Liverpool exhibition though samples of grain, fruit and roots will be shown.

One of the noisiest denunciations of partisanship comes from the *Leader*: "The partisan selects his party to suit his principles."

Among the petitions presented in the House on Tuesday was one by Mr. Waldie, signed by a large number of the electors of Halton County, against Sunday railway and steamboat traffic.

"Canon Farrar calls it 'high lie-nonsense,'" and Canon Wilberforce offers a large reward for a reformed drunkard who was saved by moderation. English temperance opinion is as fanatical as American.

A society to ensure the better observance of the Sabbath has been formed in Niagara Falls, Ont., having for its main object the securing of legislation in Canada and the United States against Sunday railway traffic.

There were two election campaigns last winter, and the campaign of the lawyers will commence this summer. They will make more money out of it than the politicians, for no matter who gain the protests, they stand in to win the shekels.

Here is a good word for the women: An English statistician has discovered that married men live longer and live better lives than bachelors; among every 1,000 there are 30 criminals; among married men the ratio is only 18 per 1,000.

Police Magistrate Noble's quarterly return in regard to Scott Act enforcement in Middlesex shows that during the past three months 124 informations were laid and heard, and 110 convictions secured. The total fines imposed amounted to \$3,500.

Queen Victoria's Jubilee is also that of telegraphy, the first patent for an electric telegraph having been issued June 20, 1837, a week before the Queen's accession. British electricians purpose to celebrate with a jubilee exhibition the development of telegraphy and telephony.

Agropes of surgeons' incomes, Mr. Anderson Critchett, the celebrated physician of London, was recently offered a fee of \$35,000—probably the largest medical honorarium on record—to go to India to treat one of the native princes. He could not accept the offer.

Grashoppers are swarming through the central provinces of Spain, destroying every green thing in sight and compelling the railway companies to send gangs of men to sweep off the tracks, rendered slippery by the crushed insects. Such a visitation has never been known in Spain.

The London Balmorall to the departure of the Queen for Seville is said to have been the most brilliant since the death of the Prince Consort. The dress-makers were rushed with work, the symphonies were happy, and the low necked dresses were never lower than ever.

Of the total net debt of Canada nearly one-third has been brought about through the construction of the C. P. R.; the amount chargeable to this source being about \$61,000,000. The Intercolonial railway cost over \$30,000,000, while the provincial debts assumed by the Dominion added about \$30,000,000 to our national obligations.

The friends of the liquor interest must be going mad. They surely can never be such fools as to believe that their special trade interests are to be promoted by dynamite and personal assaults. Yet the whole of their present proceedings point in that direction. If the liquor men are wise they will call off their dogs and try to be quiet and respectable.—*Truth*.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company carried out of Ottawa, last year, 75,000,000 feet of lumber, and the Canadian Atlantic Railway about a similar amount, making the amount carried out of the city of Ottawa by rail last year about 150,000,000 feet of a total cut of somewhat over 350,000,000 feet. Two-thirds of this amount shipped by rail went to the United States.

The Dominion Government propose to do away with the revision of the voter's list this year, and so save the expense and trouble the work involves. The lists are finally revised last year will be confirmed and continued until 1888. In the meantime opportunity will be afforded to devise means for simplifying the system and reducing the cost of the franchise act. The proposal meets with acceptance and so it should, considering the enormous expense incurred in the preparation and revision of last year's list.

METHODIST CONFERENCE.
The Fourth Session of the Guelph Conference at Galt.

AN INTERESTING MEETING.

The annual session of Guelph Conference was opened in the beautiful Methodist Church in the industrious and enterprising town of Galt, on Wednesday, 1st June, with about 300 ministers and laymen present. The first business after organization was the election of President for the current year, The Rev. James Hannon was elected upon the second ballot and duly installed into office by Rev. Dr. Griffin, the retiring President. The Rev. J. E. Howell, M.A., of Seaforth, was the elected secretary; Rev. John C. Stevenson, Granton, and Rev. E. S. Rupert, M.A., Clinton, Ass't Secretaries, and Rev. W. A. Stradgman, M.A., LL.D., Ph.D., Journal Secretary.

A good deal of interest was evinced on the part of both ministers and laymen in the first draft of stations presented by the Stationing Committee at the close of the first session. The majority of the changes were acceptable and the final draft stationing of the ministers with general satisfaction. In the district there was as few changes as in our own. The following are the appointments for Guelph and Galt districts:—

- THE GALT DISTRICT.**
Galt—Wm. C. Henderson, M.A.
Berlin—John W. German.
Waterloo—R. W. Williams.
Fergus—Wm. H. Hulse.
Hespeler—Richard C. Henders; James White, Sup't.
Nassagaweya—Wm. Birks; Ed. H. West.
Elmira—Thomas J. Snowden.
New Hamburg—Wm. Ottaway.
Linwood—Thomas J. Smith.
Hawkesville—Henry A. Newcombe.
W. C. Henderson, Chairman; R. C. Henders, Financial Secretary.

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On trial during the year, and after depicting for losses and removals, there is a net increase of 1,011. The congregational funds are nearly all in advance of last year, the increase in the missionary fund being \$3,434.74.

A resolution was moved condemnatory of the running of passenger trains and steamboats on the Sabbath, and urging the necessity of putting forth every possible effort to secure a strict observance of the Lord's day. The resolution was carried unanimously.

The next conference will be held at Seaforth, opening on Thursday, 1st June. Conference adjourned on Tuesday afternoon.

NOTES.
Among the ministers of the Guelph Conference we find the following names:—Barton, Fether, Sellery and Mustard. Galt is as hospitable a town as we have in Ontario. The citizens are invariably kind and courteous.

One of Galt's most enterprising and successful merchants is Mr. Thomas Christie, formerly of Acton. He is doing a fine trade. Miss Jessie McGregor, formerly of Acton, has for years been the right hand supporter of Postmaster Quarris, and occupies an important position in the magnificent new post office erected by the Government last year. Miss Jessie is a universal favorite with the public.

The pin manufactory of Messrs. McGregor, Gourley & Co., the only one in Canada—is an interesting industry. They have 21 automatic pin machines which turn out 300 pins each per minute, an aggregate of about 3,600,000 per day. It is a busy place.

The immense machinery and safe works of Messrs. Goldie & McCulloch, with their 250 workmen, form an important section in the back bone of Galt's commercial status. It is a grand business for the place. Galt is indeed the Manchester of Canada. With its scores of iron working shops and foundries; its various factories and works, it is a booming town. It has gas works, electric light, fairly good streets and sidewalks, good water power, fine churches and public buildings, pleasant parks, commodious schools, the whole of which are built on the rock. Its a solid town.

HEARTY RESOLUTIONS.

Supporting the Police Magistrate and the Inspector of the County.

The following resolutions were passed at the Milton District Meeting of the Methodist Church, held in Burlington last week:—

"This District Meeting feels in duty bound to take a bold stand against the unmanly and contemptible crusade being made by the anti-Scott Act leaders of this county against Police Magistrate Young. Such is the expense to which he is being put, and such the vexatious annoyances to which he is constantly subjected for the purpose of intimidating him in his work as a Government officer and evidently with the intention of driving him, if possible, from the office he holds, and which he fills so well, that we—

Resolved,—That we, the ministers and laymen of this meeting, pledge ourselves to stand by this respected and efficient officer of the Government and of this county, in the discharge of his important duties, by attending, when we possibly can, Scott Act trials; by furnishing any evidence we may be able to collect to help and aid in his work; and by every possible way crying down the unreasonable and wicked crusade being made against him and the laws of temperance, by the liquor interest of the county.

Resolved,—That this District Meeting give expression to its feeling of sympathy with Inspector Brothers in the expense to which he is being put, and the cowardly course pursued towards him by the liquor interest of this county. And we would assure Mr. Brothers, not only of our sympathy, but also of our willingness to render him all the assistance in our power in the prosecution of his lawful duties."

COLONIAL PROSPERITY.

England's Duty to Develop Her Colonial Resources.

GROWTH IN CANADA.
Mr. Baden-Powell, Conservative member for Liverpool, has an article in the current *Fortnightly Review* on "Fifty Years of Colonial Development." In this article he speaks of the very prominent part the Colonial Empire is destined to play in the future of the world's history. It would be wise, he says, to look rather to the development of the colonies than to the bettering of foreign markets for the disposal of England's increasing surplus of products.

GROWTH IN CANADA.
He points to the great growth in British North America, especially in Canada, where there is a great timber industry, and where the fisheries are practically inexhaustible. He indicates the mineral wealth opened up by the Canadian Pacific railway, the large fertile areas awaiting cultivation, and says that both soil and climate are suited to the production of cereals and it is essential to promote the freest and closest commercial intercourse between all parts of the Empire.

COLONIAL ENTERPRISE.
The opening up of new territory and the development of untouched sources of national wealth are proceeding apace, chiefly because the Colonies have at their command a surplus of capital and a population overflowing from the Mother Islands. The great growth of the Mother Country would have been far otherwise but for the accompanying growth of the Colonies, and the marvelous growth of the Colonies would have been stunted and retarded but for the fact that they are the economical counterpart of the thriving Mother Islands.

Prohibition seems to have taken a firm hold of Kansas. Three general elections have been held in the State since the adoption of the prohibition amendment to the constitution, and in each case the people have reaffirmed their decision against the manufacture of sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage by electing legislatures pledged in the support of the amendment. At the election in November last prohibition was the paramount issue, and the verdict of the people was in favor of it.

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