

THE METHODIST CHURCH, ACTON.
REV. R. PHILLIPS, PASTOR.
Public Services in 300 m. and 600 p.m. Sunday school, 10:30 a.m. Bible class conducted by the pastor. All cordially invited.
Strangers and visitors always welcome. At meetings at the door if sitting are desired apply to R. P. Moore for details.

The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 1888.

MANY MINOR LOCALS

Collected by the Ever Thoughtful and Alert Free Press Reporters.

Next Tuesday ends the first month of 1888.
Yesterday was Bobby Burns' birthday anniversary.
Election meetings are now on deck in every part of the county.
Council meeting next Monday evening. There was no business last Monday evening.
Erie Agricultural Society has about \$500 on hand and don't know what to do with it.
Procrastinators, checks, cards and toes were common among the temptations on Saturday.
Father Riley superintended the regular monthly services in St. Joseph's church last Sunday.
The snow is not quite so well colored this winter as usual. A little of the old-time green is desirable.
Mr. Harry Gibbons, of the third line, is conducting a school of singing classes at the Black Church and Congregational Church.
Some pretty cold weather was experienced here during the past week. The mercury fell down as low as 13° below zero.
Mr. A. Hemstreet, of Trafalgar, has taken possession of the farm in this village, recently purchased from Mr. Wm. Hemstreet.

HOME GLEANINGS
Which are mostly of a local character and are interesting.
Reformation Exercises.
The Reformation exercises, which were held at the residence of Mr. James Lutz, M. P. for South Wellington, at a supper in Leo's hotel, Rockwood, on Tuesday night of last week, and presented him with an address and handsome gold watch in recognition of his services in connection with the preparation of the papers' lists under the Dominion Franco-Act.

Shooting Accident.

On Friday last during a picnic match in the village an accident happened to Frank Milroy, second son of the late Peter Milroy, which might have proved fatal. He was attempting to remove a loaded cartridge from a breech-loading gun with his knife when the cartridge exploded and he was wounded in the face by the powder and a portion of the knife blade which broke off. He is doing well and will sustain no permanent injury.—Erie Advocate.

Slippery Sidewalks—A Broken Arm.

Last Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. John Lawson, Sr., were on their way to service in Knox Church, Mrs. Lawson fell on the icy sidewalk at the corner of Mill and Main streets, and sustained a fracture of the left arm at the wrist. Mrs. Lawson falling to realize that it was more than a severe sprain, proceeded to church, and though it was very painful she throughout the service. Before returning home Dr. Lowry examined the injured wrist and found that it was broken. He first undertook to get the audience into a remarkably happy and cheerful mood by his wit and humor and then presented an abundance of sound and logical truths which commanded undivided attention. A reading entitled "The Pastor's Vacation" was rendered by Mr. D. Johnston. The proceedings were continued throughout the evening with excellent selections by the choir and duets by members thereof. Their music was much appreciated and highly complimented. The meeting was brought to a close at a seasonable hour, about 8:17. It might be of interest to mention that the church was opened in 1828 by Rev. Miriam Denny, wife of the late Rev. Denny, Church Hill. Mrs. Jacob Swackhammer, mother of Mr. Christopher Swackhammer, was the only person present on Tuesday evening, who attended the opening service. She is 87 years of age, but still enjoying good health. She recollects many interesting incidents relative to church and domestic matters in those early days.

Knox Church Acton.

The two weeks of special services in Knox church were brought to a close on Saturday with an interesting sermon by Rev. D. Strachan, of Rockwood, who has assisted Rev. Mr. Rao throughout the course. A similar series of services were commenced in the Presbyterian Church, Rockwood, on Monday evening and will continue for two weeks. Rev. Mr. Rao is assisting the pastor.

Quarterly Communion Services.

Quarterly communion services of Knox Church, were held on Sabbath morning last. The pastor took for his text Matt. 26:29, and preached a very earnest and impressive discourse. A very large number of communicants were present. The influence of the new pastor is being felt in a very salutary manner by the congregation.

Death of Rev. John Smith, of Toronto.

The morning papers brought the sad intelligence that the Rev. John Smith, of Erieview Presbyterian church, Toronto, was seized on Friday morning about three o'clock with a stroke of apoplexy which proved fatal. Mr. Smith was well known throughout Ontario, and was highly esteemed by his congregation. He was an active advocate and worker for prohibition, and during the last Scott Act campaign in this county, delivered an earnest address to the people in Knox Church, Acton. The last sermon preached by the Rev. Mr. Smith, was from the words "Prepare to meet thy God." He left on his table the unfinished manuscript of what was probably intended for the next discourse on the text, "He is near unto every one of you" from Acts xviii, 27.

Interesting and Appropriate Resolutions.

Motions similar to the following from the Palmerston Telegraph and Guelph Star are just now being carried in many of the Municipal Councils throughout the province.
Moved by Lynch and seconded that J. T. Lacy of the Telegraph, receive \$10 for his very practical attendance at a meeting of the business of the Council for the year 1887.
All Howard moved, seconded by Ald. Coffey that the reports of the city papers in recognition of their services in reporting the proceedings of the Council during the year, be presented in the following terms:—The Star, the paper, being published three months; Herald, 210; Mirror, 210; and Herald, 210.
These are certainly expressions of good will on the part of the Council, and exhibit a sense of appreciation of the services of reporters who spend their time and columns in giving to the public reports of their proceedings.

The Metropolitan Studio Changes Hands.

Mr. H. Ramshaw, who for some months has had charge of the photo business of Mr. A. H. Bury, at the Metropolitan Studio, has purchased the business. Mr. Ramshaw is a graduate of Mr. C. W. Hill, whose ability as an artist is so well known by our readers, and since Mr. Hill's removal has been conducting a studio on his own account in Erin. We have just had the pleasure of examining a portfolio of his portraits executed during the past few weeks, and find them very creditable specimens. The postures and expression are good, the retouching performed artistically, the printing is carefully executed and the mode of burnishing adopted gives the portraits a very high finish. We feel confident that all the visitors to the studio will find Mr. Ramshaw's work artistic and satisfactory.

Halton Sabbath School Association.

The annual convention of Halton Sabbath School Association will be held in Oakville on Thursday and Friday, 23rd and 24th, February. A very interesting programme has been arranged and besides the usual informal addresses and reports from the Sabbath Schools of the county will include essays and addresses by Ex-Vice Chancellor Blake, and Rev. C. A. Cook, Toronto; Rev. J. W. Rae, Acton; Rev. T. Boyd, Osnagh; Rev. S. J. Cummings, and J. W. Pedley, Georgetown; Rev. S. Cleaver, B.A., and R. H. Abraham, Burlington; Rev. W. Kettlewell and Dr. Lusk, Oakville. A general choir will be made up of the several church choirs of the town. A profitable convention is anticipated. The statistical secretary requests that every school in the county fill up the blank reports sent them and return at once so that a complete report may be made at the convention.

The Officers of Acton Lodge, I. O. O. F.

The following are the officers of Acton Lodge, No. 204, I. O. O. F., for the current half year. The installation ceremonies were performed last Friday evening by Bro. J. J. Manning, D. D. G. M., Brampton, assisted by P. G. Craine, Moore, McGarvin, Speight and Francis.
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A Successful Jubilee Celebration.
On Tuesday evening the friends of the Congregational Church, Church Hill, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of the church with a very successful jubilee tea-meeting and entertainment. The next "little church on the hill" was filled with overflowing with children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and friends of the fathers in Israel who built the church and composed the congregation half a century ago. We need not state that a sumptuous and very inviting tea was provided by the ladies and much enjoyed by the large number present, for the good ladies of Church Hill have long enjoyed a high reputation for excellent cooking. Always plenty of it. After tea Mr. H. P. Moore, of the Free Press, was elected to preside and the programme opened with a chorus by the choir of the Methodist church, Acton; Rev. G. Richardson, B. A., the pastor of the church, then addressed the audience in a short and appropriate paper referring to the history of the church, and of this connection incidentally read an interesting communication from Rev. Joseph Unsworth, who was for many years the pastor. Rev. George Robertson, B.A., Toronto, for some time the minister of the church, delivered an excellent address. His theme was the young people of to-day and the important relation they hold to the church and its future. His words were intended to incite a spirit of activity and progress in spiritual matters. Rev. J. W. Tolley, D.A., of Georgetown, made a very characteristic and worthy speech. He first undertook to get the audience into a remarkably happy and cheerful mood by his wit and humor and then presented an abundance of sound and logical truths which commanded undivided attention. A reading entitled "The Pastor's Vacation" was rendered by Mr. D. Johnston. The proceedings were continued throughout the evening with excellent selections by the choir and duets by members thereof. Their music was much appreciated and highly complimented. The meeting was brought to a close at a seasonable hour, about 8:17. It might be of interest to mention that the church was opened in 1828 by Rev. Miriam Denny, wife of the late Rev. Denny, Church Hill. Mrs. Jacob Swackhammer, mother of Mr. Christopher Swackhammer, was the only person present on Tuesday evening, who attended the opening service. She is 87 years of age, but still enjoying good health. She recollects many interesting incidents relative to church and domestic matters in those early days.

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Miss Minnie Watson and Mr. Wm. Chifford, of Norval, were the guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Denny.

Several new families have removed to Acton lately. Among them are Mr. Harry Jones, of Glen Williams, and Mr. Swindelhurst of Erie.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Fernley, of Brantford, have been the guests of Acton friends for the past week or so.

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