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The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY, MAY 3, 1888.

MANY MINOR LOCALS

Collated by the Ever Thoughtful and Alert Free Press Reporters.

—May has come again and welcome.

—Milton Band will have a celebration on the 24th.

—Arbor Day to-morrow. Arrange to plant your trees.

—The sweet sprinkler should soon get down to business again.

—May was ushered in with a snow storm of considerable dimensions.

—Brampton has a grand celebration on the boards for the Queen's Birthday.

—Mr. Adam Cook's sale of lots takes place at Agnew's hotel to-morrow evening.

—The first of May has come but the licenses to Halton county hotels have not.

—Messrs. Worden Bros. have put in a couple of fine new mirrors into their barber shop.

—There will be no swimming allowed in the pond inside the Driving Park this summer.

—The Arctics, of Toronto, and the Pastimes, of Acton, will play a match in the Park on Saturday afternoon.

—D. O. Marshall visited Acton corps of the S. A. on Sunday. Steve always receives a hearty welcome in Acton.

—Those who precipituously jumped out of their flannels on Friday or Saturday were glad to resume them on Monday.

—FOUND.—A sum of money on mill street. The owner can have the same by proving property and paying for this notice.—LEVI LAUGER.

—The song service last Sunday evening in the Methodist Church was one of interest. The singing of the choir was thoroughly appreciated.

—Who cares how far the chilling winds? the oft repeated showers? Since gentle May has come at last and kissed the leaves to flowers.

—It is hinted that some of those base ball and lacrosse players will find early graves if they persist in their ball throwing on the streets.

—Mr. James Robinson, of Burlington, has been appointed clerk of the 6th Division Court of this County in place of G. C. Bastedo, deceased.

—The Pastimes, of Acton, were reorganized last week. Their team is said to be stronger than ever, and they are after scalps.—*Champion.*

—Messrs. Beardmore & Co. have purchased a fine team and are now doing their own teaming. Mr. D. McDonald holds the ribbons over them.

—There seems to be a general move in town in the matter of effecting improvements to business places and residences. Paint is being freely used.

—George Gibbs, a Georgetown hotelkeeper, has been committed for trial on a charge of perjury in connection with a case of violation of the Scott Act.

—The first base ball match of the season was played in the park on Saturday afternoon between the glove and trunk factories. Score, 13 to 13 in favor of the gloves.

—The *Herald* corrects our statement with reference to Georgetown High School fees. Last year they amounted to $413. This year already $280 has been paid.

—Rev. Jos. Johnson, pastor of Hornby Presbyterian Church, occupied the pulpit in the Methodist Church here on Sunday evening, with much acceptance.—*Champion.*

—The band was out on parade Monday night and the citizens enjoyed the music. The band intends to play outside regularly during the summer evenings.—*Milton Reformer.*

—The junction depot at Georgetown has been re-opened and all trains of both roads stop there as formerly. Mr. Thos. J. Speight, of Acton, has charge of the junction at present.

—Messrs. W. D. Shattuck of the American Hotel, Guelph, David Martin of the Wellington and Thos. Blanchfield, were each fined $50 and costs for violation of the Scott Act last week.

—Friday and Saturday last were the warmest days ever experienced by the "oldest inhabitant" in the month of April. The thermometer registered 87° in the shade here.

—In Milton it appears the Town Councillors decline for drainage and refuses to close the ditches unless the owners of the property adjoining will purchase the tile necessary for the drain.

—Barney Coulter was found drunk on the street on Monday night and lodged in jail. On Tuesday morning he was fined $6. Barney said he had not had such a drunk for six years.—*Milton Reformer.*

—The fine new illustrated catalogue for 1888 of Messrs. J. E. McGarvin & Co., has been issued from the FREE PRESS job department. It contains 64 pages and is said to reflect much credit upon this office.

—There has been more evidence on the streets of Acton of the consumption of intoxicating liquors since the defeat of the Scott Act than during any two years since the Scott Act came into force in this county.

—"*Our Little Ones* and the *Nursery*" for May is to hand, and as bright and welcome as the balmy spring. This is a model magazine for the children. Send for a sample copy to Russell Publishing Co., Boston, Mass.

—Mr. Thomas Agnew has purchased from Mr. Patrick Kelly the premises lately occupied by Mr. F. R. Webber. Mr. Agnew is enlarging the shop and will arrange a residence above. He intends putting in a stock of boots and shoes.

—The Palmerston *Telegraph* has entered upon its thirteenth year of publication. There is no frater in the profession who gives more time and personal attention to his business than Mr. Lacy, and as a result the *Telegraph* is a success. May success always follow it.

—The Sheppard Publishing Company, Toronto, have published Mr. E. E. Sheppard's new story "Widower Jones," which has been running in *Saturday Night* for some months in book form. This is an interesting story of rural life and has met with much favor. It is for sale by all booksellers.

Smart girl wanted—apply at the trunk factory. J. E. McGarvin & Co.

—Millinery apprentice wanted at once.—HENDERSON, McRae & Co.

HOME GLEANINGS

Which are Mostly of a Local Character and All Interesting.

Services Appreciated.

On Wednesday evening of last week, Miss Emma Dewar (now Mrs. McInnis) was made the recipient of a purse of $100 by the members of Knox church, in recognition of her services as organist for so many years.—Milton *Reformer.*

Quarterly Communion Services.

The last sacramental service for the present conference year,—which is also the last during the pastorate of Rev. R. Phillips whose three-years' term expires next month,—will be held in the Methodist Church next Sunday morning. An interesting service is anticipated.

Another Idea of Extreme Happiness.

The Lucknow *Sentinel* man delivers himself as follows:—The man who can stand by the side of a trout brook with his debts all paid, his business reasonably prosperous his wife and family in good health, and a deep pool in sight, in which a dozen speckled gamesters are ready for a tussle, has in sight nine-tenths of all the happiness which any one gets this side of heaven.

Recent Postal Enactments.

The latest postal laws are such that newspaper publishers can arrest any one for fraud who takes a paper and refuses to pay for it. Under the law the man who allows his subscription to run along for some time unpaid, or takes three papers from the post office, and then orders the postmaster to mark it "Refused," and have a notice sent notifying the publisher, lays himself liable to arrest and fine, same as for theft.

A Literary Treat—A Good Idea.

The teachers and pupils of Georgetown Public School will give an entertainment in the Town Hall on Friday evening, 4th May. Miss H. Gertrude Hart, Preceptress of Elocution in Woodstock College has been engaged for the evening. The programme will consist of readings, humorous, pathetic patriotic, etc., and will be well worth the admission fees; adults 25 cents, children 15 cents. Proceeds for beautifying the School Room.—*Herald.*

A Peel County Bigamist.

A man named Wm. Shields alias James Sweet was arrested and taken to Alton on Saturday on a charge of bigamy. The case was heard by Justices Pattullo and Stubbs. Shields' first wife, whom he married in 1865 under the name of Sweet, was present with her two children, and also wife No. 2, with whom he has been recently living. He pleaded guilty to the charge and stated that his real name was Wm. Shields. He was committed for trial and sent to Brampton jail.

Arbor Day, To-morrow.

We have no doubt our citizens will manifest the usual interest in Arbor Day and plant a large number of trees on the streets. Since Arbor Day was instituted hundreds of trees have been planted, on the streets, and their attractive appearance and genial shade render them objects of admiration and beauty to the town. As usual the Council has arranged to supply trees free to citizens for planting on the streets, and a full assortment will be found on the town hall square on Friday morning.

Immigrant Children for Adoption.

Mr. John T. Middlemore, the founder of the Orphan Children's Emigration Charity, London, Ont., left Liverpool on April 27th in the steamship Lake Ontario with a party of 50 girls and 120 boys between the ages of 6 and 13 years, who are brought out to this country for adoption or hire, chiefly among farmers. They are expected to arrive at the Guthrie Home, near the city, on or about May 9th. This will be Mr. Middlemore's fifteenth annual visit to these shores with juvenile emigrants from Birmingham, England, since 1872. Already many applications, accompanied with good references, have been made for the children expected to arrive, but more are required. Further particulars may be obtained by addressing Mr. H. Gibbons, manager of the Guthrie Home, London, Ont.

A Musical Treat Available.

With his usual enterprize Mr. C. W. Kelly, of the Guelph Music Emporium, has arranged for a concert by the Mendelssohn Quintette Club Concert Company of Boston, to give one of their inimitable concerts in the city hall, Guelph, on Monday evening, 7th inst. The Mendelssohn Company is the most extensively and favorably known concert company in the country. During a long and successful career of nearly two score years, they have given almost ten thousand concerts in this and other countries. In order to make their concerts both instructive and entertaining, the programme will contain numbers which are calculated to please the general public as well as the most fastidious of listeners. In the selection of a vocalist the greatest care has been exercised, and in the young and handsome personality of Miss Anna Carpenter the Club has secured a singer who will create a genuine sensation and be a decided feature in their concerts. Mr. Kelly has arranged for the convenience of visitors to the concert from Acton to have a special train leave Guelph for Acton at the close of the concert and it is hoped that a large number of our citizens will embrace the opportunity.

John R. Clarke's Lectures.

Acton's citizens have been favored at various times with the privilege of hearing lectures from many prominent public speakers, under the auspices of the different organizations in town, but never was a lecture more thoroughly enjoyed or more universally appreciated than was Mr. John R. Clarke, "The Bootblack Orator" in his efforts "To and Fro in London" and "Hits and Misses" in the Methodist Church on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. From first to last his addresses were full of interest and the attention of the audience was riveted upon the speaker without the slightest effort upon their part. Humor, pathos and eloquence were evinced every moment, and moral teaching pervaded every expression to which he gave utterance. He is master of dialect and his character impersonations were true to the original in all particulars. His audience while being pleased and edified were at the same time imperceptibly receiving education upon the topics and scenes in course of review. Mr. Clarke puts his whole self into his effort and this is no doubt largely his secret of captivating an audience. In all probability Mr. Clarke will again visit Acton, and when he comes we feel confident in predicting that very much larger audiences will greet him.

—A meeting of those having relatives buried in the old Cemetery will be held in the Presbyterian Church on Saturday the 12th inst., at seven o'clock p.m., for the purpose of devising means to inclose it with a substantial fence and to appoint a committee to take charge of the same.

—Messrs. James Marks and George Lowry, of Nassagaweya, have been so much annoyed with the promiscuous visits of fishermen from all parts that they have decided to prosecute all who pass upon their premises. The privilege of fishing has been given to a club of anglers in Guelph for a consideration. The members of the club will be responsible for all damage done to the property.

PERSONAL MENTION

Paragraphs Respecting Visitors to and From Acton, With Whom Free Press Readers Are More or Less Acquainted.

Mr. Wm. Townsend, of Parkdale, visited Acton on Saturday.

Mrs. Thomas Simpson, of Berlin, is visiting Acton friends.

Miss Hannah Stafford, of Berlin, visited her old home this week.

Editor Warren, wife and heir, of Georgetown, were guests at Cedar Creek Farm a couple of days this week.

Mr. Richard E. Wodehouse, of Toronto, now occupies a position as book-keeper in the office of the Canada Glove Works.

Miss M. Walter, of Waller's Park, Wernersville Pa., visited her old home here this week. Miss Walter has kindly feeling for Acton still.

Mr. John Carson B. C. L. of the firm of Badgerow, Carson & Co, Toronto, a former citizens spent a couple of days this week with Acton friends.

Mr. Asa Hall has returned to Acton with his family. They have taken up their residence on the homestead. Our citizens cordially welcome them home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Blake and Mr. Joseph and Miss Jessie Perkins leave next Monday for a trip to England. We wish them a safe and enjoyable voyage.

Mr. Proctor Dean, who for several months has been Dr. McGarvin's assistant in the drug store, left last week to fill a city situation. The vacancy has been again filled by Mr. John V. Kannawin, whose genial face and obliging manners have always been appreciated by the Dr's customers.

ROCKWOOD NEWS.

From our Own Correspondent.

Jas. Oakes, who for many years has kept hotel at Oustic, and was well known in this neighborhood, died last Friday from inflamation of the lungs.

People in Rockwood have no need to be cold this spring for want of boots and clothing as we have three stores actually selling these goods at and in some cases below wholesale figures.

Daniel Strachan, who has passed successfully the examination this year at Queen's College, Kingston, will preach this summer in Metz, Garafraxa, where he was stationed last year.

The Rockwood *Adviser* will make its bow to its patrons this week. "Everything comes to him who waits," but we had almost got tired of waiting for the *Adviser*, but that will make it none the less welcome.

A farewell oyster supper was given to Mr. John Bailey by his young friends last Friday evening. John has gone to St. Paul, Minnesota, to better his fortune; and where a number of Rockwood boys including Mac. and Robt. Farrish, Thos. Dunlar, Geo. and Will Knowles and others are doing excellently well. Needless to say he will be missed by "the boys" but much more so by "the girls" with whom "Johnny" was always a particular favorite.

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DANGEROUS FOOD ADULTERATION.

The Fraudulent use of Alum and Lime in Cheap Baking Powders.

If consumers prefer to buy an adulterated article of food because it can be had at a lower price, they undoubtedly have the right to do so, provided the adulterants are not of a character injurious to health. If such articles are not falsely sold as pure, and the customer is not deceived as to their real character, the transaction is not illegitimate.

But the great danger in the traffic in adulterated food arises from the deception that is practised by manufacturers usually classing such goods as pure. This is almost invariably done when the adulterant is one that is injurious to health. For instance, manufacturers of alum and lime baking powders not only fail to inform the public of the real character of their goods, but carefully conceal the fact that they are made from these poisonous articles. Most of these manufacturers also claim that their articles are pure and wholesome, while some go still further and proclaim boldly that they are cream of tartar goods, or even the genuine Royal Baking Powder itself. No consumer will buy alum baking powders knowingly, for it is well understood that they are detrimental to health. The sale of lime and alum baking powders as pure and wholesome articles is, therefore, criminal, and it is satisfactory to notice that several persons engaged in such sale have already been brought to justice in the courts.

The official analysts have recently been active in the pursuit of these dishonest articles. The baking powders of several States have been carefully and critically examined. The officials are surprised at the large amount of lime and alum goods found. It is a suggestive fact that no baking powder except the Royal has been found without either lime or alum, and many contain both. Dr. Price's baking powder has been found to contain nearly 12 per cent. of lime; Cleveland's 11 per cent. of impurities; the phosphate powders over 12 per cent. of lime.

The chief service of lime is to add weight. It is true that lime, when subjected to heat, gives off a certain amount of carbonic acid gas, but a quick-lime is left—a caustic of most powerful nature. A small quantity of dry lime upon the tongue, or in the eye, produces painful effects; how much more serious must these effects be on the delicate membranes of the stomach, intestines and kidneys, more particularly of infants and children, and especially when the lime is taken into the system day after day, and with almost every meal. This is said by physicians to be one of the causes of indigestion, dyspepsia, and those painful diseases of the kidneys now so prevalent.

Adulteration with lime is quite as much to be dreaded as with alum, which has heretofore received the most emphatic condemnation from food analysts, physicians and chemists, for the reason that while alum may be partially dissolved by the heat of baking it is impossible to destroy or change the nature of the lime so that the entire amount in the baking powder passes, with all its injurious properties, into the stomach.

The large profits from the manufacture of lime and alum baking powders has placed many of them in the market. They are to be found in the stock of almost every retail dealer, and are urged upon customers calling for baking powders upon all occasions. Because of their well-known detrimental character it is desirable that prompt means be taken to suppress their manufacture.

Pure baking powders are one of the chief aids to the cook in preparing perfect and wholesome food. While those are to be obtained of well-established reputation, like the Royal, of whose purity there has never been a question, it is proper to avoid all others.

Rev. Chas. H. Spurgeon has rejoined the Baptist Union, a compromise having been effected on the objectionable dogmas.

—Gentlemen kindly call and examine Kelly Bros. spring suitings and pantings.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Examinations of Pupils for the Month of April in the Several Departments.

FIRST DEPARTMENT.

SENIOR 4th.—Thos. Ryder, 264; Sam Laird, 249; Jno. Ramsey, 256.

INTERMEDIATE 4th.—Thos. McPhail, 286; Herb. Henderson, 284; Jno. Perkins, 233.

SENIOR 3rd.—Bella Stephenson, 256; Anson Smith, 240; Mamie Masales, 235;

JUNIOR 3rd.—Louie Orr, 270; Milton Henderson, 280; Ernest Ebbage, 280; Bertha Ryder, 235.

No. of Marks possible 300. Thos. T. Moore, Teacher.

SECOND DEPARTMENT.

SENIOR.—Geo. McLennan, 239; James Moore, 206; John Nicklin, 199.

INTERMEDIATE.—Bessie Cameron, 260; Fred Ross, 232; Frank Clark, 222.

JUNIOR.—Allie Henderson, 230; Edna Thurston, 227; Maggie Ramsay, 216.

No. of marks possible 300. Cassie McPhail, Teacher.

THIRD DEPARTMENT.

SENIOR.—Annie Brennan, 300; Minnie Edwards, 296; George Mann, 293.

INTERMEDIATE.—Nellie Stauffer, 290; Ada Francis, 290; John Edwards, 286; Hattie McCann, 280.

JUNIOR.—Mable Cook, 283; Rollie Perryman, 240; Nettie Cobban, 263.

No. of marks possible. D. Corrigan, Teacher.

FOURTH DEPARTMENT.

SENIOR.—Ella Anderson, 233; Minnie Holmes, 220; Lena Holmes, 230; Dufferin Bingham 230.

INTERMEDIATE.—Maggie Laird, 240; Charlie Toolers, 221; Edwin Francis, 220.

JUNIOR.—Eddie Moore, 215; Lizzie Creech, 200; John Moore, 194.

No. of marks possible 300. Lena Dorland, Teacher.

—Mr. R. Collier, a graduate of the Erin *Advocate* office, left town this week to assume the position of foreman on the *Advance*, which is soon to make its appearance in Rockwood. Rockwood is entirely too small to support a paper and experience will teach this lesson to the two bloated capitalists who intend to venture in the enterprise.—*Erin Era.*

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