

BORN.
Watson—In Kingston, on the 18th inst., the wife of Mr. Robert Watson, of a son.
Sweeney—In Acton, on the 17th inst., the wife of Mr. Wm. Sweeney, of a son.
DIED.
Gamble—In Acton, on the 14th August, infant daughter of Thomas Gamble, aged 2 months and 21 days.
Calkins—In Acton, on the 26th August, Sarah Jane, infant daughter of Mr. John Calkins, aged 1 month and 21 days.
Perry—At Forest Hill, on the 11th of August, of consumption, George Perry, son of Mr. S. A. Perry, aged 12 years.
Kearney—At Waterford, on the morning of the 13th inst., of cholera, Mrs. M. A. Kearney, aged 72 years. Deceased was the wife of Mr. A. T. Kearney, formerly of the Baptist Church, Acton, of a daughter.

The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 1888.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.
The number of emigrants arriving in Canada in July was 4,790 in excess of the arrivals for the same period last year, the figures being: July, 1887, 15,831, and July, 1888, 19,621. More and more the residents of the old lands are looking to Canada as a good place to come to.

The official reports of the British postal service show that the Government is perfecting its parcel post connections in all directions, and that there is reason to hope for an extended retail foreign trade. There is apparent on every hand an increased appreciation of the parcel post as an important agency for the promotion of trade.

Here is a significant paragraph from the *Democrat*, published at Tyler, Texas: "Kansas has 100,000 more people than Texas. Kansas has one penitentiary, with 900 prisoners. This is the result of prohibition. Texas has 100,000 less people than Kansas, and the liquor traffic, with 3,000 convicts. The next count will show about 600 more. Don't you think prohibition a necessity?"

There was a very great revival in the British shipping trade during the last year, and evidence is not wanting to show that the revival is permanent. In 1887 a hundred steamers and sailing vessels were laid up in the Clyde alone because of the stagnation of the trade. These vessels have gradually gone back into commission and now two companies in the shipping trade are paying from 5 to 9 per cent dividends after years of profitable business.

Recent cable dispatches say that England's wheat crop is almost a failure this year. On the continent of Europe, too, the crops will be much below the average; and although there will be plentiful supplies from America, a tendency towards rising prices is not unlikely. In the States the wheat crop seems to be at least an average; while in China, taking the Northwest and all together, the whole yield will probably be something better than the average.

AN ILLICIT STILL SEIZED.
Barnett, Ont., Aug. 17.—A. Caven, Collector of Inland Revenue, of Stratford, and Officer Dwyer, of Baltimore, seized an illicit still in the township of Minto in full operation, also a quantity of grain. The owner was arrested and tried before Police Magistrate Love and sentenced to be imprisoned for five months and to pay a penalty of \$400.

KICKED TO DEATH.
NEWBURY, Aug. 19.—This forenoon Wm. Drury, 12 year old, and son of John Drury, a farmer near this place, was kicked in his father's field. The boy had been finishing some raking. The horse took fright at the boy, and the latter was kicked him on the breast, killing him instantly.

A PROMISING GOLD MINE.
OTTAWA, Aug. 20.—The owners of the Spradling gold mine, which is situated on the west bank of the Ottawa, have discovered about 6 miles from the village of Beekmantown, have received very promising reports from Montreal about the examination of one cent down. It shows a production of \$50 to the ton.

FORGOTTEN LICENSE.
A Farmer County of Peel was in a dilemma, but finally he overcame it.
This week a Donald man took his son's gun out to Rogers Park, a point 2,000 feet nearer Heaven than Donald, there intending to wad her. On arriving at the pass he found that he had forgotten to bring the marriage license along, and that very necessary document could not be procured in the town of which Mr. Donald is mayor. The d. m. was in a dilemma. The train on which he expected the minister was due in less than four hours, and the event could not be postponed. But as he is from the County of Peel, back to Ontario he is a man of resources. A railroad tri-cyle was hurried up, and got on the track, and he covered the distance to Donald and back, 60 miles, in less than three hours. That man will overcome difficulties in any county.—*The Truth*, Donald, B. C.

THE MYSTERY OF ADVERTISING.
My son, there's nothing on earth so mysteriously funny as an advertisement. The price, first, last and all the time, of an advertisement is to draw attention. It is not, as you never will be designed for any other human purpose. So the merchant waits till the busy season comes and his store is so full of custom he can't get his staff off and then he realizes his printer and goes in for advertising. When the dull season goes along and there is no trade and he wants to sell his goods he can't pay his rent he stops his advertising. That is some of them do; but occasionally a level headed merchant does more at it and and scoops in all the business while his neighbors are making arrangements to pay the gas bill. There are times when you couldn't stop people from buying everything in the store if you placed a cannon behind the door and that's the time the advertisement is sent out on its useful mission. It makes light work for advertising for a chalk sign on the sidewalk could do all that was needed and have a half boiling with days over it every day. For an advertisement is when you want to do hard work and should be sent out in the dull days—where customer has to be knocked down with hard facts and kicked insensible with bankrupt reductions and dragged in with irresistible laughter of prices before he will spend a cent. That's the aim and end of advertising, my son; and if you own a store don't try to get them to come when they are already sticking out of the windows, but give them your advertisement right between the eyes in the dull season and you will be rich and own a cigar store or twice a year. Write this down where you'll fall over it every day. For the time to draw business is when you want business and not when you have more than you can attend to already.—A. H. Crockett, Montreal.

JOHN WALDIE, M. P.

The Election Yesterday Resulted in the Election of Mr. Waldie by the Narrow Majority of 28 Votes.
AN HONORABLE DEFEAT.
Haltom had an election yesterday. This the world knew. No county in the Dominion has had more election contests during the past five years than Haltom and more with more varied results. The election yesterday was the fourth Dominion election within a year and a half—three Commons and one Scott Act—and it is hoped in all quarters that it will be the last until the next general election comes. The result on this occasion was of course a surprise and disappointment to Mr. Henderson's supporters, but gratifying to the Reform party, when it was announced at a few minutes before eight that Mr. Waldie was elected by a majority of 28.

A very close election was looked for by both parties and such it was. It always is in Haltom in these latter days, and neither party can boast of much of a majority in any contest. In the previous contest between Messrs. Waldie and Henderson the former's majority was but 9. After Mr. Waldie was elected Mr. Henderson was elected against Mr. McLeod, of Georgetown, with a majority of 148, and now Mr. Waldie has again won by the slightly increased majority of 28.

The contest was an exciting one and much interest was manifested by both parties in behalf of their chosen leaders. The vote polled was about as large as one as the voters' list used—which should have been re-examined long ago—could afford. Mr. Waldie is elected, and in him the county secures an able representative. He is a strong man and exerts a wide influence not only throughout the county but in wider circles, and his previous record in the House of Commons was creditable to himself and satisfactory to most of his constituents. On the question of prohibition Mr. Waldie did his whole duty when he previously occupied a position in the House. We regret very much that he could not see his way clear to promise, when requested by the County Temperance Alliance, to again vote for prohibition if elected, but we have every confidence that he will sustain his past record on this question.

The result in Acton, as compared with the Henderson-Waldie election at the last general election, was a gain of 23 for Mr. Henderson.
The polls here were as follows:

No. 1. Polling Station	Waldie	Henderson
No. 2. Polling Station	20	18
No. 3. Polling Station	12	10
Majority for Henderson	23	

This was very satisfactory to Mr. Henderson's supporters, who when the result in our own town was announced, anxiously looked for the general returns which were hoped to elect their candidate by a fair majority. The returns as received presented a very peculiar aspect, for while gains were announced in many points, losses were equally prevalent, with a greater aggregate, in districts where favorable reports were looked for.

THE LETTERS.
Up to the hour of going to press last night it was impossible to obtain anything like complete or correct returns in detail and rather than publish them incomplete we decided to leave the general returns until next issue, when full particulars will be given.

ACTON CORNER HEAD gave a good account of themselves last night after the result was known.
The upper part of Haltom supported Mr. Henderson; the lower, Mr. Waldie.
When the result was announced Mr. Henderson addressed the electors thanking the many friends who had so liberally supported him. He expressed himself as gratified at the support Acton had again given him. He admitted that he was disappointed at the defeat, but considering his personal interests he was much better out of public life. During his short term as representative of the County he had faithfully endeavored to guard the interests of his constituents and his whole duty to the County and the country.

Haltom has again a Reformer in the Commons and a Conservative in the Legislature.
The Reformers had their innings at retiring early last election. On this occasion the Conservatives did the steal-away-home, quietly and early.
Acton has again lost the honor of being the residence of the Member for the House of Commons of the County.

Unrestricted Disfranchisement was a victory in Haltom, but it is a peculiar fact that it was the gains in the civic municipalities and not the rural which elected Mr. Waldie.
The result was learned here earlier than in any previous election in the history of the County. A few minutes before eight the fatal result was known.

THE SCOTT ACT.
A list of Wellington's Violators and What it Cost Them.
The past week has been a busy one for the Police Magistrate of Wellington County and the city of Guelph. The following convictions were secured—
Thomas Brown, Guelph, \$100 and costs.
John Haggis, Guelph, \$50 and costs.
Matt French, Guelph, two offences, \$100 and costs.
Thomas Blanche, Guelph, \$50 and costs.
H. Reinhardt, Guelph, \$50 and costs.
Mrs. S. Duffield, Rockwood, \$50 and costs.
Mrs. Langford, Eramosa, \$50 and costs.
Erich Malone, York Road, \$50 and costs.
Patrick Lock, Rockwood, \$50 and costs.
D. Heffernan, Everton, \$50 and costs.
James Burns, Marden, \$50 and costs.
J. Heffernan, Junction, \$50 and costs.
W. Eberhart, Eramosa, \$50 and costs.
There are other cases to follow, which will be heard this week.

OUT OF SORTS.—Symptoms, Headache, loss of appetite, tired tongue, and general indisposition. These symptoms, if neglected, develop into acute disease. It is a little saying that an "ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure," and a little attention at this point may save months of sickness and large doctor's bills. For this complaint take from two to three of Parmentier's Vegetable Pills on going to bed, and out for two for three nights in succession, and a cure will be effected.

ONTARIO'S CROPS.

Produce and the Farmers' Political Laborers. By the Hon. Mr. Waldie, M. P. to the House of Commons.
BREAD-MAKING FOR ALL.
Secretary A. Blue, of the Bureau of Industries, on Saturday made his crop and weather bulletin for August. This bulletin shows the progress of harvesting operations, condition of the crops and estimated yield of the cereals, based upon the reports of 755 correspondents at date. The acreage of fall wheat is taken from the statement rolls, while all other areas and estimation of live stock are compiled from returns made by farmers and dated 1st June 23. The total area in all crops enumerated is 7,616,850 acres as compared with 7,492,084 in 1887, and 7,414,437 acres for the period 1887-7. In addition there are 2,555,804 acres of cleared land devoted to pasture, in 1888, a slight increase over the 2,529,230 acres reported in 1887. The record of the weather has, as usual, been furnished by the Meteorological Service.

Full harvest generally came to the harvest considerably injured by the unfavorable weather of April, May and part of June. The spring season was cold, clear and dry, following a very dry autumn and a severe winter, and it was not till after fall wheat was out in head, in the month of June, that it experienced any rainfall and growing, sunny weather worth speaking of. The result came too late to do all the damage that had been done, and the crop in most cases grew up thin on the ground and headed out unevenly. Harvesting was generally about ten days later than last year. The yield will, on the whole, be below the average. The harvest generally was saved in good condition. 60,599 acres of fall wheat are reported as being harvested.

The reports regarding spring wheat are more favorable than they have been for several years. This crop has not suffered seriously from any cause, the only injury that it received worth mentioning having been from lack of rain; and this, though it reduced the yield somewhat, did not affect the color of the grain or materially reduce its size and plumpness. Probably 60 per cent. of the reports are favorable and the remainder describe the crop as short and very largely a failure. The area sown to spring wheat, however, again shows a decrease from 484,281 acres in 1887 to 367,850 acres for the present year.

They raise fairly to good in regard to yield and size of berry, but the sample was more or less discolored by the rain which fell shortly after harvesting began. The reports are very uniform from all parts of the province that there was about an average in yield and quality, and where in early situations the crop was secured before rain came the sample is all that can be desired. Good individual yields are reported where harvesting has been done reaching as high as 20 bushels per acre, and reports of 30 to 40 bushels are not uncommon. The crop was heavier and better saved in the western portions than in the group of counties bordering on Lake Ontario.

Oats have given a satisfactory return in the western lake counties of Ontario and in a large portion of the west middle group. The reports from the nine counties which border on Lakes Erie and Huron are almost without exception to the effect that oats have been an abundant crop throughout that district. The same is true, with an occasional exception, of the reports from Middlesex, Oxford, Brant, Perth, Wellington, Waterloo and Haldimand. In the remainder of the province a large portion of the crop has been light and quite short of the average. The reports are extremely unfavorable from the east Middle and St. Lawrence districts. The average yield in Michigan is estimated at 23 bushels.

Comparative yields of grain in Ontario for the grain, its chief use being for fall and early spring pasture and to plow under as green manure. Where it has been allowed to ripen this crop seems to have stood the drought best of any, and the yield was fair.
Most of all crops that come into general cultivation in Ontario, seem to have endured the adversity of the season best. The reports from Western Ontario are the most favorable, but in the central and eastern districts the crop has been more or less short of an average in yield of straw and grain.

The culture of corn for the grain is confined mainly to the western portion of the counties of Essex and Kent. The condition of the crop in these counties is better than it has been for many years. Correspondents report fields of corn in which the stalks stand from 12 to 14 feet in height with an average of two to three ears to the stalk.
The most encouraging reports have been received regarding the bean crop. In the county of Kent, where two-thirds of the beans grown in Ontario are raised, an abundant yield is expected.

Roots are grown to the greatest extent in the western half of the province. The average yield per acre promises to be large. In the counties along the E. C. R. C. line, a large yield of potatoes will be the harvest known for some years. The large yield of roots in most of the western counties will bring the average for the province fully up to if not above that of the past six years.

The hay and clover crop will not reach two-thirds of an ordinary yield. While clover did fairly in most counties, clover was a poor crop, owing partly to the trying effects of the steady drought of the previous summer and fall, and partly to "heaving" in winter, which killed out many plants. The drought the present spring and early summer complicated the difficulties against which the crop had to contend, and it is doubtful if so poor a cut has been the experience of the province for twenty years. Correspondents, however, are almost unanimous in declaring that the crop was cut and placed in the mow in splendid condition. Estimates of the yield per acre run all the way from a quarter of a ton to two tons.

In the Lake Erie group, more particularly in the counties of Essex, Kent and Elgin, and in a few of the West Middle counties, the condition of pasture is most encouraging, but in the Lake Huron and Georgian Bay groups and in the eastern Ontario section the unpleasant experience of last year has been repeated. The present year's crop in many instances hand-feeding of stock. Already several farmers in eastern Ontario have had to dispose of their cattle at any price, owing to lack of feed, and sales are reported at from six to fifteen dollars a head.

The number of horses in Ontario is 606,718, or 28,827 more than in 1887, and 1,928,638, nearly 20,000 less than in the previous year, although much more have increased by 23,238; sheep 1,842,944, as compared with 1,800,161 in 1887; hogs 619,073, or 18,738 less than last year; and poultry 6,165,114, as against 6,187,861 in 1887. The total wool clip is 4,601,097 lbs., against 4,652,248 the last year.
The dry season has not been without its effect upon orchard and garden. Although

summer apples are rather small in size, fall and winter sorts will likely be well up to the average in size as well as quality. The average is reported in portions of Kent, but the general yield will be an ordinary one. Stone fruits are all light in yield. Only a few correspondents in Lincoln speak hopefully of the peach; the majority report the crop as a failure. Plums and cherries are well; mostly destroyed by the black knot, and when the plums have escaped that enemy it has been weakened by the scab. In some of the Lake Erie counties, however, the cherry is reported as having yielded a big crop of large fruit. In the grape growing counties a magnificent yield is anticipated.

The season has been an unfavorable one for the spiny. Swarming was light owing to the backward spring and the cold nights of early summer. There was a scarcity of insects in forest and field, linden and white clover being among the failures of the season. But for the patches of Canada thistles, which presented an inviting and valuable foraging ground, many colonies would have suffered from starvation, and it is a question whether more than five or ten pounds of honey per colony will be netted.

Labor saving machinery has so changed the order of harvest work that extra hands are employed only in special cases. The binder is king of the harvest field now. A man and a boy with the implements of today can do the work of a number of men of five or ten years ago, and the laborer who can intelligently swing the scythe or cradle is becoming a tradition in Ontario. There has been a ample supply of mule farm labor about the same rate of wages as last year, and a large number of men engaged in harvesting being compelled, with difficulty or loss from lack of manual aid. Female help, as usual, is scarce; the problem how to keep the girl on the farm has not yet been solved.

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