

**THE METHODIST CHURCH,
ACTON.**

REV. G. A. GIFFORD, M.A., Ph.D.
PASTOR.
Parochial Power Avenue.
Public Services 10:30 a.m., and 6:30 p.m.
Schools 10:30 a.m., and 6:30 p.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m., and 6:30 p.m.
Services always welcome. At
services after the door.
Visitors are desired to H. P. Moon.
Rev. Steward.

Town Hall, Acton.

COURSE OF LECTURES FOR 1888-9

Under the auspices of
KNOX CHURCH, ACTON

No. 1—Rev. G. Branch Hewitt, Monday, Jan.
14th. Subject—"Orpheus Beamed."
No. 2—Rev. J. McLean Gardner, Monday,
Jan. 21st. Subject—"Scotland—Hero Material."
No. 3—Rev. J. McLean Gardner, Monday,
Jan. 28th. Subject—"Two Years in Battledore."
Tickets Five Dollars Each.
Lectures commence at 5 o'clock.

NOW COMES XMAS

Ind we are fully prepared for it, long be-
fore you commenced giving Xmas gifts or
thought we were actively engaged in pre-
parations for the Christmas Trade. We
have done a decided much business, car-
rying all kinds of goods, and have
done well. Our sales are increasing daily,
and we hope to do well. Please accept our
best regards and good wishes for the
Xmas season.

GEO. HYND, ACTON.

THE LEADING STORE FOR XMAS
PRESENTS.

The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1888.

MANY MINOR LOCALS

Called by the Free-Thankful and Alert
Free Press Reporters.

—Value lost, see adv.

—Merry, Merry Christmas to all.

Sleighing is desired for the holidays.

—A green Christmas, and a white Easter.

—Advertise stray animals in the Free
Press.

—Write injury on ice and kindness on
marble.

—School examinations to day and to-
morrow.

—A week from next Monday is holi-
day day.

—Christmas will soon have come and
gone again.

—There was some spring-like weather
the first of the week.

—Look something more like winter than
it did a few days ago.

—Dr. Butler's lecture on the Supra Re-
tention, in Guelph to night.

—The high school inspector says he can
honestly praise Oakville high school.

—Annual school meeting for the election
of Trustees next Wednesday, 26th inst.

—It will be difficult for the bands to
"iddle down" on the night of the 26th.

—The new year will be chronested with
an eclipse of the sun on New Year's day.

—Grocery stores will not treat their
customers to Christmas presents this year.

—George Brewster, Brewer of Guelph, is
in the field against Ald. Gowdy, for the
Mayoralty.

—Many an absent member of the family
will be welcomed home to share the Christ-
mas turkey.

—Knox church Sabbath school, Christ-
mas entertainment will be held on New
Year's night.

—Milton's board of health urges the
council to enforce the adoption of dry earth
closets in that town.

—On Wednesday evening, the 26th inst.,
the Disciples will give their Sunday school
Christmas tree.

—Miss Forster, of Glenwillow, was
presented with a purse of \$20.00 in gold
prior to leaving for India last week.

—Acton churches are very active this
year in promoting a joyous Christmase-side
for the young—Dundas Standard.

—Have you been to J. H. Matthews,
Harness Shop? He gives you best value
for your money and is bound to please.

—Mr. S. Ball of Rockwood, has com-
posed and compiled a volume of poems,
which is said to contain some real merit.

—Mary E. McDonald, a Guelph servant
girl has fallen heir to \$17,000. She is not
married, but engaged, to a miller in Guelph.

—The Free Press has been favored with
a splendid calendar from Mr. J. Laing,
agent of the Perth Mutual Insurance Co.

—The Herald says only half a dozen cal-
endars were offered at the Georgetown Decem-
ber Fair, and only three were sold.

—The Methodist Sabbath school anniver-
sary entertainment, tea, and Christmas trees
next Tuesday evening, Christmas night.

—Rev. Mr. Smith, of Elora, will conduct
the services and preach in St. Albans' Church
both morning and evening next Sunday.

—Mr. H. Irving, Nassauway, sold a
first prize sheep last week to Satchell Bros.
Ottawa, for the Governor General's Christ-
mas table.

—Don't fail to hang up your stockings
on Christmas eve, for your friends are sure
to visit R. B. Jermyn's and buy something
just lovely."

—The average school-boy or school-girl
will think himself or herself doubly blessed
when school closes to-morrow for Christ-
mas holidays.

—No father who spends money on his
own person or pleasure should neglect to
buy something for the bairns before or on
Christmas Eve.

—Mr. Samuel Johnston who recently
moved to Acton, has sold to Mr. D. Cook,
the northeast half lot 10, con. 4, Erin, 100
acres, for \$3,000.

—Intending purchasers—those who wish
to do the economical—will carefully scan
our advertising columns before investing;
and it will pay them.

—A literary society has been organized
at Hornby. It has about sixty members
and will meet every Tuesday evening dur-
ing the winter. Good for Hornby.

—Mr. John Williams, Liverymen, is now
driving the horses for Speight & Son,
undertakers. He purchased Mr. D. Mann's
fine team of blacks for that purpose.

—Mr. John Black, Jermyns, on Satur-
day, had the misfortune to have one of her
arms broken. While going out towards
the front gate she slipped and fell with her
weight on her left arm, breaking it at the
wrist. Dr. Dryden reduced the fracture,
which is not a very serious one.

HOME GLEANINGS

Which are mostly of a Local Character and
All interesting.

Another Death from Typhoid at Milton.

Mr. C. H. Bonham, a young man from
near Streeterville, who has been teaching
in the senior department of the public school
here during the M.-S. hood term, was
taken ill with the typhoid fever about three
weeks ago. He seemed to be doing fairly
well under Dr. Robertson's care, but early
yesterday morning he was taken with
convulsions and died about two hours
afterwards.

Mr. James Bradley, a well-to-do farmer,
of Georgina, while excavating for a
foundation of a building was fatally injured
by a bank of earth falling upon him on
Tuesday. Both legs were broken, internal
injuries received, and Mr. Bradley suc-
cumbed in a couple of hours. He leaves a
wife and ten children in comfortable cir-
cumstances. Mr. Bradley was well known
throughout the county. He took consider-
able interest in agricultural matters and
was one of the promoters and the first
President of Halton Farmers' Association.
His untimely end is universally regretted.

An Old Lady's Bad Blunder.

Mr. F. A. Campbell, Mayor of Brantford,
and proprietor of the *Advertiser*, was sub-
jected to an annoyance last Monday night
at the Union station in Toronto that cost
him some worry, which his high character
was soon to get over. It appears that
an old lady happened to be robbed of her
money while Mr. Campbell was jostling
his way to the ticket office, and in her
frenzy charged him with being the thief.
After the annoyance of an arrest and other
harrassments Mr. Campbell proceeded on
his journey, the old lady regretted her mistake
and put herself in his charge.

Halton Model School Examination.

The following is a list of the names of
successful candidates at the late professional
examinations for third-class certificates
in this County, with the marks secured by
each:—Lights—Bertha Harrington, 737;
Jessie MacCrane, 713; Bertha Exard, 601;
Lizzie Montgomery, 651; Fannie Patten,
525; Edith Harrison, 505; Annie Badger,
392; Ida McFarlane, 546; Bella Goff, 535;
GENTLEMEN.—Ernest Thompson, 607; Mr.
Porcell, 604; J. D. Nixon, 644; J. H. Gil-
lie, 605; T. J. McQuarrey, 588; T. H.
Laing, 504; T. J. McQuarrey, 588; T. H.
Blacklock, 505; C. C. Laing, 589; George
Patterson, 555.

The Friends of Gove Remained at Large.</p