MARRIED.

BRIWICK - VANATIKE. - At the residence of the bride's father, on the 15th January, by Rev. Dr. Gifford, Acton, Mr. Ebenezer Beswick to Miss Alice Vanatter, all of Erin. DAWDY-DUNCAN. On Wednesday, 9th Jan. at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. S. C. Grash, brother-in-law of the bride, Mr. Hrasmus Dawdy, of Campden, to Maggie, daughter of Mr. William Duncan, of Elora.

GORDON-RITCHIE.—At Holy Trinity church, Winniper, Man., on the 28th December, 1884, by Rev. O. Fortin, Rev. Malcolm R. Gordon, M. A. President of Gooton College, Dak., to Miss Irene A. Ritchie, daughter of the late J. E. Ritchie, Esq., Annapolis, N. S.

Eribbs, aged 61 years. Moore -in Nassagaweya, on the 13th January Rebecca Moore, mother of Councillor Moore aged 55 years and 9 months. NEWTOX .- At Limebouse, on the 9th January, John Newton, Postmaster, aced 76 years and

The Acton Free Press.

TUHRSDAY, JANUARY, 17, 1889. NOTES AND CONNENTS.

The North-West costs the Pominion tax payer a pretty large sum. Counting the cost of police, Indians, and administration generally, and for the interest on the public money sunk in the country lying between Lake Superior and the Mountains, the bill amounts to about \$7,000,000 a year.

Sir John Macdonald has just entered up on his seventy-fifth year and seems to be as active and vicorous is ever. People have been asking for years what the conservative party would do when Sir John disappeared from the political stage, and it has been predicted time and again that when that time comes there will be a reconstruction of rties. But Sir John does not disappear He holds the field for the present at least and so the reconstruction of parties is unavoidably postponed.

"The young man who takes to whiskey discounts his future to a much greater extent than did his father who took to liquor thirty years ago. There is now no use for whiskey heads in positions of trust or where nerve and care are required. The only place where he has any show is as back to some one else. Everyone takes advantage of him, overworks him, gives him poor pay, and illtreats him. Even a smell of beer about a roung man is sufficient excuse nowadays for a bank manager in refusing him a small accomodation, or for a wholesale man in refusing him a small line of credit. The old idea that fellows who took to drink were good souled chaps is a delusion. They may be so when sober, but more mean and low acts are done by men under liquor than when free of it a dozen times over People ne longer take stock in the chivalry of whiskey; they are, however, convinced of the beastliness of the habit. It is in the air that that the whisky-head must go .-Toronto World.

-The report of the Postmaster-General presents many interesting features. In the first place, the department handled during the past fiscal year 132,089,000 letters, post cards, newspapers, and packages. This is at the rate of twenty-six per head. We are not such great letter writers as any of the other English-speaking countries. The Americans write thirty letters per head annualy and the residents of Great British foriy-six. The Spaniards and the Portuguese, on the other hand, write six and seven per head respectively. No doubt our average is reduced by the circumstance that the people of Quebec are not prolific correspondents. Last year their entire transactions through the mails numbered 30,024,750, while those of Ontario numbered 77,729,000. The record of this province for correspondence is therefore forty letters, post cards, and papers per head, which is higher than that of the United States and not much lower than that of Great Britain. No less than \$2,728,000 worth of postage worth and the other provinces the remain- this snow off, and have the work done.

Mr. Brastus Wiman's article on Canada | 8. A new method of securing shade tress for a the January North American Beview, entitled " The Greater Half of the Continent," is likely to win for him the admiration slike of the friends and opponents of the policy of which he is the best savertised advocate. It is probably the fullest and most interesting statement of the extent and resources of Canada that has ever been given in so short a space. In all the immigration literature of the Dominion Government there is no such recommendstion of our country as is contained in this article of less than a score of pages. Mr. Wiman first deals with the question of area. He tells the Americans that while their country, without Aleaks, is included within 8,036,009 square miles, Canada has 8,470,392 square miles; that Ontario is larger by 25,000 square miles than the six new England States, with New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Maryland added ; larger by 10,000 miles than Ohio, Illinois, Indiana and Michigan combined, and larger by 11,000 miles than lows, Minnesota and Wisconsin combined. Farther, he points out that within the great lakes which encircle and penetrate Canada, and the rivers of enormous volume and length which permeste it there is more than half the fresh water on the globe.

NASSAGAWEYA AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY. was held in the town hall on Thursday, 10th January. The President in the chair. The Secretary read the annual report showing the society to be in a flourishing condition financially and otherwise:

Admission fees and sale of Looths EXPENDITURES. Working expenses

Beid; Vice President-John Moffatt; Directors-James Mahon, Win. Lynn, A. Bell, J. C. Blacklock, M. McMillan, Thos. Storey, John Capute, J. Erwin, and J. W. Husband: Secretary-Treasurer. - Matthew Beattle; Anditors - C. Cameron and John Simpson: Honorary Directors,-G. Kitching A. Bell, J. Kitching, A. C. McMillan,

McMillan the retiring Secretary for the able manner in which he discharged the duties of that office during the past nine years. A resolution was passed recommending the Board of Directors to have a two day's show the coming fall.

SOME THINGS THE PEOPLE WANT. Matters Which Should Receive the Attention of

this Year's Council. The members elect of the Council of this municipality for 1889 will be aworn in next Moudey, and the FEER PRESS submits the following improvements as desirable to be executed during their term of office. Nothing radical or anreasonable is anggested and there is no doubt the ratepayers at large will have a good word for this year's Council if the work denoted is performed,

L'A sidewalk on the South side of Mill from Elgin street to the G. T. Ballway. This improvement has been talked of in the Council for years past, but has always been left over from time to time when street catimates were being prepared as work not imperitively needed, and consequently that side of the street has suffered. The ratepayers along this portion of the street reasonably ask for a sidewalk; the convenience of the general public deserves consideration, and the appearance of the street demands this improvement.

2. Further improvement to Mill street's road The work done on Mill street last year was for the most part good but the gravel being inferior it will be absolutely necessary to give it a good coating of first class gravel this year. Then we will have a fine street. L The streets and sidewalks of the East End

· The "Esgle-eyed" street and sidewalk committees that have been in power the past few years have evidently failed to notice the rapid growth of this portion of the municipality. Within the past fire years the population there has more than trebled and yet very few dollars indeed have been expended for public improvements. C. A sidewalk down Main street from Agues to

Fairtiew Cemetery. the public have waited patiently for a side- gossipy letters which may be the creaming. walk leading to it. Some members of last | as it were, of the interesting features of the year's Council expressed themselves willing | trip, and having no other than this figurato grant this convenience but the cost of live reference to dairying. building over the two hills slarmed them. Practical men claim, however, that the expense will not be materially increased on that account. Give the matter your consideration gentlemen, and build at least a portion of the desired walk this year. L. The Saperintendence of Fairview Cemetery

to be more courteous to the public at large than | series of During the past year the person in charge of this important property of the corporation has not rendered his services in as pleasant and courteous a manner as the public expects from a public officer and some change is consequently desirable. If officials are to be more agreeable in one department of the municipal government than snother it should be here. No doubt the matter only requires to be mentioned to have it rectified.

6. A more satisfactory and permanent style of street lamp for street lighting to be adopted. The street lamps are a convenience much appreniated by the people. When present lamps were new they gave general satisfaction, but ten years' wear has worn out the most of them. The tin used in their manufacture is not sufficiently heavy to last and now all the old lamps admit the stormy night they are practically useless. streets. It has came to the ears of our retown have expressed their willingness to supply power sufficient for electric lighting were supplied for the use of their establish. ment. In our judgment this offer should | a very lattle cates and labor tell profitbe immediately accepted, for after the first able on our cheese experts. The second cost electric light will cost but a fraction of what the Council is now paying for the maintenance of our coal oil lamps.

7. Who should shovel the street crossings clear This question has been debated ever since the snow by-law was introduced six or eight years ago, and ever since the crossings have been left full of snow for citizens stamps, post cards, and stamped envelopes to wade through after every storm. One were issued during the year. Ontario took of the first duties of the new Council should \$1,520,290 worth of these, Quebec \$586, 820 | be to determine whose duty it is to shovel they act upon this suggestion a long-suffering public will rejoice.

ung on the streets on Arbor Day should be

before planting and their roots and tento get them out and make money rapidly. We feel satisfied the wisdom of the Council

will remedy this when the time comes. Various other suggestions might be added such as the improvement of Main street, &c., but these will suffice for present con-

CONCERT AT BEOOKVILLE

The annual meeting of the above society The next was a glee by the Acton Quartette one. True, it is a convenient food not and their appearance during the evening ing ; but these are qualities for which it d ence. The next was a recitation by Miss he is not wedded to the consumption McPhail, Nassagaweya, entitled "How he cheese, and for economy's sake, will accome saved St. Michael's" which was rendered in a substitute in other foods when the lat 16 10 song by Mr. Gallagher, of Guelph, who much upon the prices of foods available figured most prominently during the even- substitutes. In the opinion of my inf character songs entitled "Matters That | 50 shillings sterling landed in England-Boy Now." He appeared three times and price, like aubstitute-margarine-will The following officers were elected for The next was Miss Johns, of Guelph whose which prices of better may rise before they took part and to the chairman. Great may buy margarine at 5 to 8 pence.

> concert such a success .- Mercury. furniture proportionately low.

LETTER TO CHEESEME The Outlook Points to low Prices in Butter-A Frather in Canada's cap+What a Canadien Dalryman caw lu

England. POINTERS ON SHIPPING CHEESE

Registered in secondance with the Copyrigh t and published by permission of the author More space than was intended has been given in these letters to the meetings of the British Dairy Farmers; and yet it seems as more has been left out than written. The reader will notice how closely we have been studying the question as a problem, leaving out the lighter matters of places, people, and incidents. Not a word of social lords, and even of royalty-for our excursion ended with a visit to Sandringham, the home of the Prince of Wales, and a banquet given

writer confesses to dropping an boar's dairy conference (at Framlingham College) much as a boy would drop a book for any new sight or sport, for a tramp to the near-by castle, that was the first one he had ever soen ; and yet after three months of sight seeing, till satisted to the point of Indifference, an afternoon at Canterbury Cathedral as an experience pever-to-be-forgotten: And so, reader, if these letters be lieavy reading, remember that the imperative conditions of the theme, and the real purpose of the letters forbid the freedom that writers asually enjoy; and let your interest in the subject make the letters essier reading. It may be that when the study is completed Since the opening of the new Cemetery | we may all feel inclined for two or three

> 'Immediately following the meetings the British dairy farmers, I determined to learn the present state of the English market and our own standing therein as producers. This line of investigation embraced a run through England, Scotland and freland, and its chief feature was a

INTELLERS GITH LEADING IMPORTERS d Liverpool, Glasgow, Dublin and Bristol. The lessons learned in these interviews were a exceeding value, and I will try to give the chief points without going too much luto voluminous detail. First of all, I must leliver two special messages to our cheesemakers, with which Mr. Widgery (of Bristol) charged me. On the side of every cheese box the figures of the weight of the choese t contains should be descilled in plain figures. Steucils are frequently used for the names of factorice, and this is well; but the weights are nearly always written is reacil, often badly written, indeed, sometimes not readable. It often happens, too, that pieces of the bor, on which the weight is written, slit off and the weight is lost. "It is impossible, as things are, to tally 1000 cheeses twice slike!" From the importer's point of view it is more important

wind, rain and snow so freely that on a. that the weight of the cheese be easily deciphered than that the name of the factory A new tabular street lamp has recently be made plain. The latter is a good been put upon the market at very slight | thing, in connection with excellence of qualadvance upon the tin lamps in use, and ity, to help to make a reputation and to adcompetent judges-claim that these would vertise one's factory; but the former is abgive excellent wear and extisfaction. In- solutely necessary for the convenient and deed, we do not know but that it would be correct checking of weights. This may by economy to adopt electric lighting for our some be thought a trifle, but to the wise man nothing is a trife which is essential porter that a certain public spirited firm in to highest success. The importer is the buyer of our goods, and it is to our interest to clease him, even as it is to our interest for the town free of charge if electric lamps | to satisfy the consumer. Here, then, is an opportubity for our factory men, to make

> message was in the form of CITTON TO SECTION The Euglish law forbids the importation of foreign goods with English names them intended or calculated to lead the consumer to believe them to be of English manufacture. The customs authorities wil refuse to "clear" goods which appear to be so intended. For instance, they would detain goods marked with the words" Leeds." · Manchester." or "Birmingham," or even English Chedder.' The latter would be apposed to be resting on the reputation of a particular cheese made in a certain dis- letter to do the subject justice. trict in England. Now it sometimes occurs that an English name on Canadian cheese

gives the importer a deal of trouble to clear The action of the Council of appointing | it and causes rexations delay, because the a public Arbor Day, and providing trees | name on the cheese happens to suggest to for public planting has been commendible | the customs officers an intention to deceive and as a result hundreds of fine maples and | the British public. I need not say that any other trees are now to be found on our name on Canadian cheese is their legitimatestreets, adding beauty to the town, and Iy, being a Canadian as well as an English rendering grateful shade to man and beast | name : but though it may have no unlawful when required. The means of supplying significance, the officer will retain the goods &c., and the salaries, &c., of the postmastand distributing trees has not been entirely | until the importer shall have convinced him | ers to be as follows :satisfactory. The trees have in many in. that the similarity of names is a mere coinci- Orrica. stances suffered from exposure to the sun | dence. The Canadian shipper may easily provide against any such annoyance or loss drils been sacrificed to the axe in the hurry to importere, by simply placing the word Canada in close connection with any name on the cheese which is English as well as Canadian. For instance, instead of " Lo or "Chedder," write "Canadian Leeds.

'Canadian Cheddar." I had not long to speak with import before I found confirmation of my con sions, given in a previous letter of an

INEVITABLE ITTITE OF LOW PRICES. A Liverpool importer emphasised the The concert under the suspices of the that for any extensive trade the limit Brookville Literary Society which took prices was necessarily low. When the place a couple of weeks ago, was one of becomes higher-priced than meats and of the best ever held in Nassagaweya. The available strong foods, the quantity of programme rendered was in every instance | sumed would at once decrease. This is highly satisfactory. The first piece was cause in England the bulk of cheese is eat instrumental, by Miss Lamb, of Acton, as a food, and the consumer bays it, no which received a hearty encore, as did her much because of any particular prefere other piece rendered during the evening. for it, as because it is a food and a ch-Club, which was very much appreciated, quiring cooking, always ready and appe elicited hearty applause from the audi- not care to pay luxury prices. In a wo a manner that would put to shame a more | are cheap enough and palatable. The lin pretentions elecutionist. The next was a of the price of cheese, therefore, depen ing. He brought down the house in his mant the probable limit for cheese would be Georgetown 14.657 10 7.639 89

Make me Tured." and "I'm Getting a Big |. As to batter, when it rises undaly in responded to the encores on every occasion. used by many consumers. The limit to beautiful voice as she warbled her sweet will be so high as to cause consumption to songs was hearfuly appreciated and she was | decrease (giving place to margarine) was encored. The last, but not least, was the placed by my Liverpool authority at from singing of Mr. N. Mcl'haif, who arrived re- 9 to 10 pence, or at about 16 to 25 cents per cently from Australia. He rendered some pound retail. This limit may be thought perfume, Price 25 and 50 cents. For sale of the airs of that far off clime in a most placed too low; but it is quite certain that by N. McGarvin. excellent manner. The concert was brought | there are consumers in England who will to a close by votes of thanks to those who | not buy butter at 8 to 10 pence when they

credit is due to the President of the Society, If all this be true, it may be expected A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. A. C. Mr. John Irving, and to William L. that where there are not other causes—such Kennedy, the Secretary, for making the asstiff competition-to keep down the price, both of butter and of cheese, the high price itself will cause consumption to decrease -A Bed Room sett complete for \$17 up a | and Live prices a downward tendency. On Speight & Son's Furniture shop. Other the other hand, low prices will have the effect, of course, of increasing consumption

and stiffening the demand. In view of the whole situation, we may believe that the competition of the future will be along the line of

COST OF PRODUCTION, as well as quality of product. I have already touched upon this phase of the subject, but surely it will not be thought vain repetition to speak of such important matters as often as they press themselves forward in our investigation of the subject. This is not the only phase of the subject that will be so imperative in its character, and so important in its hearing, that on the principal of line upon line, and procept apou precept, will demand reiteration.

I have never been accused of being a festivites, excursions, banquots, speeches, pessimist, but I have written so much in new acquaintances and pleasant gossip, no- this connection that is on the dark side that thing of scenes and sigute new enough and it may be thought that the picture might striking enough to make a new world dairy. be painted brighter. I will quote what man forget that he had ever heard of milk, Prof. Sheldon said in 1886, but was not nothing about the country seats and parks, seen by myself till after having penned the the village greens, the homes of cottagers, of | matter in these letters, in striking confirms. tion of all I have written :

"What on earth is dairy farming coming to ?' is a query typical of what one hears on by His Royal Highness; nothing about the every side, most of all in districts where old cathedrale and castles, and yet the choose and butter are leading products, and where the milk trade is little known. It is likely enough true that farmers have not for many years been quite so near their wit's end as they are now. In my own time I have known choese and butter lower in price, no doubt, than they are now, but never with a slacker trade or a more languid deniand at this time of the year. The month of March is down below what ought to be a summer's price, and almost always has been for twenty years or more. I may say, indeed, that if we throw the twenty years into balk and take the mean of them, we shall surely find that I speak within the mark. And as for cheese-well cheese commands no sale at all worth the name ; it is disposed of, no doubt, in some sort of way, from time to time, and a transfer is made from farmer to dealer; but it is not often sold out-and-out, and once for all, as

it used to be in days gone hy." not kept their value, and even the milk trade was " limp and languid :" and that farmers were in danger of being "clean besten out by the times"; touches upon margarine, and claims that " dairying will have more to contend with as the years roll on." He despairs of the private dairy and looks to the factory system for relief "Most of these things," he says, " are OF BECENT GROWTH,

and they have a heavy bearing on the question of dairy farming. Competition is keener than ever, but not so keen as it will be, perhaps. In any case it is clear that our present systems of dairying have such a strain on them as no one expected : a strain which many of them cannot bear; and the question of factory rerews farmhouse will soon have to be solved."

He then speaks hopefully of the strong pull being, and to be, made "against the current of depression." Canadian farmers will learn from all this that while there is no royal road before them, there are others whose road is even less smooth, and if these others may be hopeful, surely they

It is pleasant to turn from this phase of the subject to some of the many good things said touching the reputation of our cheese. which reputation is, indeed, veritably s feather in our cap.

Mr. Price (Bristol) said he had entered class of the Frome show, in the heart of the English cheddar district, in the Cheddar Valley, and out of about 100 entries, Cana dian came out best in over 60 entries! The firm got "highly commended" on Cansdian cheese. This, too, was under unfavorable conditions, for the show coming off in September, they had to exhibit the first summer cheeses.

I may here correct an error which crept into a previous letter, where I referred to samples of cheese being officially examined and none found adulterated. The number of samples was not "about 300," but 112itself a large number, however. The following was the report cabled: "Agricultural journals admit that, seeing that 112 samples were analyzed without a single example being found of cheese containing extrane one fat, the Canadian commissioner in justified in asserting that filled cheese, con mon in the States, is not made in Canad Touching the reputation of our butter

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