

Town Hall, Acton.

LAST LECTURE OF THE COURSE. Under the auspices of KNOX CHURCH, ACTON.

THE METHODIST CHURCH, ACTON.

REV. G. A. GIFFORD, M.A., PH.D., PASTOR.

Public Services 10:30 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. School 10:30 a.m. All cordially invited.

The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1890.

MANY MINOR LOCALS

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The first of March to-morrow.

Messrs. A. Grieve & Son, Blacksmiths, Georgetown, have assigned.

Mimodosa, Man., had a temperature of 32 degrees below zero on Saturday morning.

The City of Guelph has been added to the list of South Acton questions for April 14th.

Highway men seem to be preparing around Sarnia, perhaps to keep the same route open.

The Montreal Times says that Sims & Co., Rockwood, have made an offer of twenty-five cents on the dollar to their creditors.

The Wylie Brothers are conducting successful revival services in Brampton.

Doctors learn the weakness of sick people, and the weakness of good people; the other the weakness of all.

Wm. Ellis, of Palermo, law-stationer was killed recently by Dr. Robertson and W. H. Lindsey J. P. of Milton, \$7.00 for selling whiskey on Sunday.

Edwin, the 7-year-old son of Mr. I. Francis fell with his face on the coal stove on Saturday evening, burning one side of his face and one hand severely.

Messrs. Jno. H. Barber, Georgetown, S. Dine, Milton, and Donald Campbell, Sarnia, have been re-appointed License Commissioners for Hallowe'en for 1890.

A Missing Headdress. By George R. Sims, and A. Transaction in Hallowe'en by Edges Salinas, are among the most recent publications of Wm. Boyce, Toronto.

The traffic on the line of the Northern and Northwestern Railways, north of Georgetown, was entirely suspended Friday and Saturday by reason of snow blockades.

The organist and sacred concert to be given by the Ladies' Aid in the Methodist church next Tuesday evening promised to be the social event of the season.

A three-mile skating race between Graham of Fenelon, and Saml Smith, Acton, will take place in Acton Park on Wednesday evening, 6th March, for \$50 a side.

Remember Rev. Mr. Gardiner's lecture on "Two Years in Baffinland," next Monday evening in the town hall. Mr. Gardiner has the reputation of being a very entertaining speaker.

An intense degree of cold prevailed generally throughout the province on Saturday night, the thermometer in some places in Ontario going down to 30° below zero. The thermometers here registered 15° to 20° below.

A meeting of the active members of the Crescent Ladies Club was held in the newly furnished reception room of Dr. Stacey's surgery on Tuesday for the transaction of unfinished club business. The meeting adjourned to meet in the council chamber on Tuesday evening next at eight o'clock.

The latest fraud is a winter-tramp or a tramp-wringer, who gathers up discarded wringers to repair. Of course he does it cheaply, nicely, and with dispatch and delivers within a week. The dear, trusting ones deposit their wringers in the arms of the tonguey tramp and it's the last of the family treasure.

This winter has been without parallel in more respects than one. There comes from the peach sections news not only that the crop is not destroyed by frost, but that the buds never looked better and the growers regard the prospects as bright. This is the first time in history that such a misadventure has been made.

A High Class Concert. Acton has had a multiplicity of entertainments during the present winter season, but the list has included no high class concert such as is announced to be held in the town hall on Tuesday evening, 12th March. The programme on that occasion will include the following well-known artists:—

Mr. C. A. Bignell, soprano, of Toronto Conservatory of music, lecturer at St. Andrew's Church, Guelph; Misses Maggie Brown and Ella Anderson, contraltos; Guelph; Miss Lily Clark, pianiste, Guelph; Mr. C. A. Bignell, baritone, Toronto Conservatory of music and Mr. James Fes, Canada's greatest comic, who is a whole concert in himself. This concert will be a musical treat and no doubt all local musicians will participate.

Oyster Supper and Sacred Concert. The first oyster supper of the season for this locality will be held in the Methodist church next Tuesday evening, and will be followed the same evening with a grand sacred concert to be given by the choir of the church assisted by the members of Knox church choir, who have kindly consented to take part, and other local talent. Supper will be served from 6:30 to 8:00 o'clock. At the latter hour the concert will be commenced. The entertainment is under the supervision of the Ladies' Aid Society, and they are determined to make the enterprise both a pleasure and a success, and hope that a very large number will embrace the opportunity of spending a pleasant evening. The small admission fee of 25 cents will admit to both the supper and the concert.

Mrs. S. A. Beard being about to remove to Toronto is disposing of her household effects by private sale for cash, or on time, comprising extension dinner table, breakfast table, centre table, secretary, piano, stove, wash table, cupboard, rockers, trunks, etc., etc., which will be sold cheaply, and on a liberal scale. Head head, small wash, extension implements, carpenter's tools, books, groceries, etc., etc.

HOME GLEANINGS

Which are Mostly of a Local Character and All Interesting.

Improvements at St. Joseph's.

A new gallery for the choir has been erected in St. Joseph's church, opposite the altar. The entrance to the auditorium is effected by one stairway instead of two as formerly.

Another Successful Social.

The third of the series of socials given by the ladies of Knox Church was held on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Andrew Scott, fourth line, Westport.

A New Manse, etc., for Knox Church.

At the auction sale last Friday the manse and glebe belonging to Knox church were sold to Mr. James Russell, Georgetown, for \$1900.

The Agricultural Society's Concert.

Notwithstanding the severity of the weather and the bad roads the entertainment under the auspices of Acton Union Agricultural Society at the town hall last Friday evening, was well attended.

The Question Drawer was then opened and Mr. Day very ably answered the large number of questions asked.

During the evening session the Presbyterian church choir sang several selections in a manner that elicited general commendation.

Mr. R. Haddock and Dr. Robertson gave short addresses of welcome.

The President, in behalf of the delegates, heartily reciprocated the kind welcome.

He also expressed his conviction that the great progress made in S. S. Work during the past thirty years was due to a great extent to the labors of our forefathers.

Rev. J. W. Rae, of Acton, Statistical Secretary, gave one of the most important addresses of the Convention. He prepared an unusually elaborate report from statistics furnished by the schools, from which the following facts are gleaned:—

64 schools reported. Of these 31 are kept open all year and 33 for part of the school year.

Teachers' salaries for 1889-90, \$1,176.53; for 1890-91, \$1,400.67; for 1891-92, \$1,537.77.

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S. S. ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Convention of Hallowe'en Sabbath School Workers a Complete Success.

INTERESTING PAPERS AND DISCUSSIONS.

The success which has repeatedly characterized our Sabbath School Conventions was repeated last Thursday and Friday, at Milton.

The attendance was somewhat larger than usual from the first session through the Convention, and the interest manifested in the addresses and discussions was very encouraging.

After opening the convention with devotional exercises the minutes of the convention of 1888 were read and confirmed.

The constitution and rules were also read. The following committees were appointed: On Nominations—Dr. Robertson, Rev. J. Wakefield, H. P. Moore, and Johnson Harrison.

On Resolutions—Rev. Dr. Gifford, Rev. R. Haddock, Rev. Geo. Clarke, Mr. J. S. Deacon, Mr. W. H. Lindsay.

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