

BORN.  
Rev. — on June 13, the wife of E. Kyle, curate of St. Paul's, etc.

MARRIED.  
Parker—Lambert in Hamilton, on the 19th, to Rev. W. H. Lamb, father of the wife, Mr. Andrew Parker, of the Woodstock, S.A., and Mrs. Parker, of Miss Grace Lamb of Hamilton.

DIED.  
Treasurer—On Thursday, 15th June, at Acton West, Sarah McMillan, wife of John Thompson, aged 60 years and 5 months.

Wife—At her residence, Township of Trafalgar, on Saturday evening, June 17th, Mrs. Josephine L. Lewis, in her fifth year.

Lewis—At the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. Francis Moore, Church Street, Acton, late of Peter, Mrs. Jane Lewis, in her fifty-first year.

### The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 1889.

#### NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Manitoba Government's crop bulletin of June 1st, shows that a large acreage of wheat was sown this year. The sowing was unusually early, but the season has not been altogether favorable for growth.

A train containing a Methodist Sunday school excursion party, running between Armagh and Warren Point, Ireland, was wrecked on Friday, and it is feared the killed will not fall far short of one hundred.

The C. D. Railway sells the land at Sudbury with a clause in the deed that makes the land subject to forfeiture if any intoxicating liquor is sold on it. It is a wise provision, and it is a pity that more land had not been sold with that provision.

The competition from India tea is stirring up the Chinese into more pronounced efforts to make their product assume a greater degree of attraction, and it is thought that the buyers of China tea this season will be better treated in the matter of both quality and cost.

J. C. Ayer & Co., of Lowell, Mass., have entered a claim against the Government amounting to over \$12,000 for damages in connection with the seizure of their establishment at St. John's, Que., three years ago, for alleged customs irregularities, but which seizure, it is remembered, the Exchequer Court held to be unwarranted.

A valuable discovery of anthracite coal has been made at Chelmsford, Cape Breton, and on trial is said to have proved of excellent quality. One hundred barrels has been sent to England for analysis, and it turns out as expected the mine will be once developed to the fullest extent.

The English railways are using the electric light on their trains. The Midland have the dynamo in the rear car, the van, the driving gear being attached to the axle of the front pair of wheels. The light was found to be quite steady and strong. During the stoppages the lights were kept steady by the accumulators.

A very important and serviceable bulletin has just been issued by the Ontario Bureau of Statistics dealing with Canadian farmers. It contains all the chief ways by which the interests of agriculture have been victimized, from the historic lighting and racking to the latest project of why inventors, the marriage ceremony. Every farmer should read it carefully.

The new Fisheries Intelligence Bureau recently established by the Dominion Government is proving to be of very great value to the fisheries of Quebec and the Maritime Provinces. The bureau is in Halifax, with more than a hundred correspondents at various ports, who send in reports of the movements of fish of various kinds, and also the information concerning the whereabouts of American and French fishermen. The news thus collected is disseminated to all whom it may concern.

The Boston Herald thus bewails the classification of Canadian railway competition: "The effort to exclude the Canadian railroads from participation in American trade has been carefully planned, and those engaged in it have been for more than a year laying the wires and rolling the boxcars in such a way as to make it easy for the Senate Committee to report a bill in their favor. If they succeed, as from their hard work and political influences they have good reason to think that they will, the railroad kings of New York and Pennsylvania will have New England at their mercy. They are now compelled to allow freight to come to Boston on terms similar to those paid by merchants in New York and Philadelphia, because the Grand Trunk and the Canadian Pacific force them so to do; but if they release themselves from this competition, Boston merchants can whistle for their trade."

A SUICIDE AT CAMP.  
John Addison of the 23rd Batt., Brown's Battalion, in the Niagara River.  
St. Catharines, Ont., June 17.—John Addison of No. 1 Co., 37th Batt., Simcoe, was found dead this morning on the shore of the river above Paradise Grove. He had left the camp Saturday morning in a disconsolate state; he did not turn in during the day and a party was detailed to search for him. His remains were brought into town this forenoon by some of his comrades and placed in a room in the Court House, where they will remain until the coroner from Fort Dalles arrives. It is feared the poor fellow committed suicide by drowning and that his body had washed ashore, as he was partly dressed.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.  
Another brace of new Teachers for the Third and Fourth Departments of the Public Schools.

The Board of Trustees met on Monday evening.

Members present: Thomas Ebbole, chairman, and I. Francis, Geo. Hyde, A. E. Nieldin.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

After considering the various applications for the position of teachers of the third and fourth departments the following motions were adopted:

Moved by L. Francis, seconded by A. E. Nieldin that Miss Julia Cleveland be engaged as teacher for the fourth department at the salary of Two Hundred and seventy-five dollars per annum.—Carried.

The third report of the Finance Committee was presented, the following accounts being recommended to be paid:

Miss Emma Moore, teacher's salary, \$60; Joseph Anderson, reporter, \$10; J. P. Moore, publishing account, \$10; John Walker, wood, \$10.

Report adopted.

Board then adjourned.

#### CONFERENCE NOTES.

The First Draft of Statutes and the Chairmen of the Districts.

The following are the changes from the first draft of statutes, and the chairman and secretary of each district of Guelph Conference:

Guelph District—Erin and Rallingford, J. Ball; N. R. Willoughby, M.A., chairman; James Brody, financial secretary.

Galt District—Preston, W. M. Baugh, George, Geo. II. Cornish, J. A. J. E. Towell, M.A., chairman.

Stratford District—Stratford, Waterloo Street, Wm. Hinckley, LL.D.; Mitchell, Cedarford street, E. E. Nugent; Main Street, John Mills, W. S. Griffin, D.D.; Sherman, F. E. Nugent, financial secretary.

St. Mary's District—Granton, Joseph Greene; Lucas, R. C. Headers, T. M. Campbell, chairman; Josiah Greene, financial secretary.

Goderich District—Goderich, Wesley Casson; Hensall north, W. Coulter, Dr. Miller; Jas. Harris; Dungannon, A. D. Galt, Geo. Richardson, chairman; Wesley Campbell, financial secretary.

Kincardine District—Kincardine, H. J. Miller, second preacher; Lucknow, J. S. Collier; Jas. Hanson, D.D., chairman; J. S. Collier, financial secretary.

Wingham District—Brigdale, S. Selley, B.D., John Scott, M.A., chairman; S. H. Selley, D.D., financial secretary.

Listowel District—Fording, J. W. Pringle; Ethel, Jas. R. Gibson, W. C. Hendren, D.D., chairman; J. W. Gilpin, financial secretary.

Pelham District—Drayton, J. W. German; Alma, A. E. Hendren, second preacher; Jas. McAllister, chairman; J. A. McLachlan, M.A., financial secretary.

Mount Forest District—Harriston, Wm. Smyth; Durham, J. T. Legar, R. H. Wardell, B.A., B.D., chairman; S. H. Edwards, financial secretary.

Walkerton District—Walkerton, C. E. Stanford; Arkwright, H. A. Byles, second preacher; Jas. Galloway, chairman; T. J. Smith, financial secretary.

Owen Sound District—Brooklin, W. M. Bieby, J. W. Holmes, chairman; H. H. Hall, financial secretary.

Murdock District—Geo. Bugbin, chairman; J. W. Shilton, B.A., financial secretary.

The present nominated the following as members of the conference special committee, viz: Dr. Cernish, F. E. Nugent, A. Cunningham, J. Kenner and J. Mills.

NOTA CONFIDENTIA.

The following are the changes in the first draft:

Hamilton, Simcoe street—T. A. Moore, Caledonia—C. W. Coates.

York—C. L. Bowley.

Stamford and St. David's—J. E. Rusz.

Niagara—Walter Jamieon.

St. George—R. W. Wright.

Sherfield—H. S. Dooley.

Troy—A. L. Gee.

Toronto—L. E. Marshall.

Exeter—T. W. Kelly.

Cuthbert—T. V. Venet.

Princeton—J. H. McCarter.

Plattsburgh—Thos. Colling, B.A.

Durham and Richmond—Theo. J. Patterson—John Saunders, M.A.

Jarvis—C. R. Morrow.

Townsend—H. E. C. Stoney.

Bethel—T. B. Trimble.

Cayuga—S. Judson Kelly.

Fremont—R. J. Foreman.

J. A. McArthur, Montreal College.

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE.

Hamilton—Rev. W. J. Walker.

Simcoe—Rev. J. S. Saunders.

Milton—Rev. John Wakefield.

Welland—Rev. J. S. Collins.

Woodstock—Rev. E. R. Maitland.

St. Catharines—Rev. D. L. Breckin.

Rev. A. E. Russ, M.A., was appointed Corresponding Treasurer of the Missionary Fund.

The special committee are the chairmen of districts, Revs. A. E. Russ, John Key, J. G. Gilpatrick, Thos. Stobbs, T. Whitworth.

THE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

An interesting convention held in the Baptist Church, Georgetown, last week.

The 25th annual convention of the Midland Counties' Association of the Baptist church was held last week at Georgetown. There was a large attendance of delegates, and the sessions were marked with peculiar interest.

On Tuesday evening the opening services were held, when Rev. J. A. Baldwin, of Fullerton, preached an earnest and powerful discourse from Isaiah 40: 11.

After an hour's prayer meeting Wednesday morning, the annual session was opened by Rev. M. H. Campbell of Hillsborough, from Numbers 12, 13.

At the close of this service Rev. W. C. Wier was elected Moderator; H. D. Warren, Clerk, and Rev. J. G. L. Gilman, Asst. Clerk.

Wednesday afternoon the Association's Women's Circle was held, and in the evening a platform-meeting.

"GET YOUR NAME ON."

Now that the revising officers are beginning their work every one should see that their name is on the Dominion Voter's list.

The following British subjects will be given the franchise:

Persons 21 years of age.

Owners of property, in cities, to the value of \$200 and upwards;

Owners of property, in towns, to the value of \$200 and upwards;

Owners in other places to the value of \$100 and upwards;

Occupants of the above property;

Farmers' sons and owners' sons if resident upon the property of their father or mother;

Tenants and the sons of tenant farmers paying less than the following rents, \$1 per month, \$6 per quarter, \$12 per half year, \$20 per annum?

Eishenham owning \$150 worth of land, boats, or tackle;

Indians having improvements to the value of \$100;

Persons resident one year in Canada, and drawing an income of \$300 a year and upwards;

Alumni's receiving \$100 a year and upwards;

With this summary of the qualifications before them every man should know at a glance whether or not he is enabled to vote.

It is worse than madness to neglect a right so coldly which is easily obtained. If taken in time becomes, which last to itself, the sore reader of consumption and premature death. Inflammation, when it attacks the delicate tissue of the lungs and bronchial tubes, invades with pernicious rapidity; then do not delay, get a bottle of Bickie's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, the medicine that creeps this formidable foe of the human body, and drives it from the system. This exclusive promotes a fiery exfoliation, subdues the cough, heals the diseased parts, and exerts a most wonderful influence in curing consumption, and other diseases of the throat and lungs. If parents wish to save the lives of their children, and themselves from much anxiety, trouble and expense, let them procure a bottle of Bickie's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, and whenever child has taken cold, has a cough or hiccoughs, give the Syrup according to directions.

A LETTER FROM HAMILTON.

The Ambitious City—Its Growth this Season—The Summer Capital—Street Lighting—A new Pastor for an Episcopal Church.

We actually had had some clear weather this week in which to see the effect of the spring rain on Hamilton and certainly one does not feel like grumbling at the past dangers when enjoying the beauty of foliage and flowers brought out by it.

The streets are very quickly being paved and present a clean, tidy appearance at all times. Citizens generally are educated up to the point of spending a little extra money and money from taxes for the benefit of the public and as a result we have lighted walks and drives and a city to be proud of.

Hamilton is progressing very rapidly both in population and wealth induced by the building boom and improved character of surroundings. The many buildings that have gone up so fast this year are in advance of other years in point of numbers and beauty, and that they are not mere speculation is shown by the quickness with which they are bought or rented, but perhaps they have been making too much money of late.

Business generally is quiet up to the average and prospects are very good.

Citizens are pushing the various aspects of work in conjunction with the Summer Carnival to be held next month and if money, energy and talent can make it a success then we will be disappointed.

The Business Congress to be held, to which 12,000 invitations have been issued, is a very important feature. It is proposed to discuss business matters interesting to retailers, manufacturers and wholesalers.

I will have more to say as regards the other matters as arrangements progress.

Our Council is deliberating on the best way to bid for the City streets. A vigorous effort is being made by the Gas Co's to have their system adopted, and though may be in favor of some kind of Electric Light a hard fight seems imminent. The Gas Co's claim that for the same money they can put up as much illuminating power per light as the Electric Light.

The jury that has been investigating the terrible railroad accident that took place some time ago, has arrived at a decision and every one is glad. It has been the most tedious investigation held here for a long time. They have decided that the train was running from 30 to 50 miles an hour, the speed according to the experts, evidence too fast and that in coming round the sharp curve a stamp of a driving wheel was broken and the train derailed.

I am very glad to see that Rev. T. A. Moore, formerly of your town, and I believe, a former editor of the Free Press, is getting along so well. He has been appointed to Simon's Methodist church, here, a strong, influential church, and one that is noted for its sociability and the hard working young people in it. Unless he has changed his nature altogether I fully expect to hear of his splendid success.

It is a great pleasure to see you again,

Yours ever truly,

W. H. WILCOX.

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