

**THE METHODIST CHURCH, ACTON.**  
REV. O. A. GIFFORD, M.A., PH.D., PASTOR.  
Services 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. All cordially invited.  
Visitors always welcome. At special services apply to Mr. D. Moore, Secretary.

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Jewelry & Stationery Store, Acton.  
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**The Acton Free Press.**  
THURSDAY, JULY 27, 1918.

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The Ever Thoughtful and Alert Free Press Reporters.

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**HOME GLEANINGS**  
Which are Mostly of a Local Character and All Interesting.

**Acton Dairy Agricultural Society.**  
A meeting of the directors of the Acton Dairy Agricultural Society will be held in the town hall, Acton, on Saturday, July 27th at 10 o'clock for the purpose of arranging for the annual meeting and the transaction of other business.

**Summer Carnival at St. John, N. B.**  
The Summer Carnival and Electrical Exhibition in honor of the opening of the Canada Pacific railway at St. John, N. B., and which is the first Electrical Exhibition ever held in the Maritime Provinces was officially opened, at three o'clock on the afternoon of Monday last, by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, the Hon. J. B. Macdonald, Premier of the Province.

**Narrow Escape From Serious Injury.**  
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**NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.**  
Furnished by Correspondents, Collected From Exchanges and Picked up by the Way.

**MILTON.**  
Every available carriage in our town was hired to go to Acton last Saturday.

**Mr. J. A. Gifford, of Acton, was in Milton on Saturday last, on his return from Acton last Saturday night. Their usually bright and cheerful countenance, then betokened unmistakable evidence of defeat. During the afternoon some evil-minded person had sent word to Milton that our boys had won by four straight games, and in consternation with which the news was received the boys were hurriedly despatched to their homes.**

**Last week a farm horse in the South Block, owned by Mr. Chas. Joyce, and occupied by Mr. John Fletcher, caught fire from the chimney and burned so rapidly that it required the greatest efforts on the part of the occupants to save the furniture before the house was completely destroyed. The house was insured for \$500.00.**

**The Public School Inspector has suspended the certificate of Ephraim Buck, the teacher who was charged with committing an indecent assault upon some of his scholars in Nelson township.**

**Mr. T. E. and Miss Anne Jago, left last Saturday night for a trip to Niagara Falls. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered in the Brick church on Sunday morning, August 4th.**

**Mr. and Mrs. Enoch North, of St. Catharines, were the guests of his father a few days this week.**

**A very interesting base ball match between the married, and single men of this place, was played last Saturday evening in the old Academy grounds, the score being in favor of the former.**

**Mr. James Black having spent three or four days pleasantly with friends in Brampton, returned home Tuesday evening.**

**The many friends of Mr. James Barry, are pleased to notice that he is slowly regaining his health.**

**Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair, of Chatham, are visiting the at home of her mother, Mrs. Donald Black.**

**We are sorry to note that Ira Clark is lying seriously ill with inflammatory rheumatism, and congestion, as a result of a severe chill received in the water early in the spring.**

**We understand that one of our Professional men and his agent, are at present busily engaged in doing road work. It's a good job that somebody takes an interest in our promenade.**

**KNATHOULL.**  
Mr. Thos. Bolen Nassagaway, raised the frame of a fine bank 30 x 54 feet last Friday. There were present a couple of hundred present. Amongst the spectators was Mr. D. Henderson, ex-M.P., Acton. The captains were Messrs. John Logy and David Black. The contest was a close one but eventually Mr. Black's men were the victors. After the raising a grand tug of war was pulled, six men being chosen from each side but this time the laurels went to Mr. Logy's men. Mr. and Mrs. Bolen Nassagaway were most hospitable for the large crowd, and a pleasant time was spent during the raising.

**One day recently a little son of Mr. Wm. Lang, Nassagaway, was attacked by a hailer. Mr. Lang who was working in an adjoining field, hearing screams ran to his son's assistance and seeing a heavy club about the size of a heavy hammer on the head loosening its horns before it could reach the boy was not much hurt beyond receiving a number of bruises by the heavy tramping upon him.**

**The farmers the past week have been busy hoeing their turnips, and several have commenced cutting fall wheat.**

**Mr. John McEwen, who has been living in St. George for some time is home on a visit.**

**Mr. James Atkins, Manitoba, is visiting his parents in Nassagaway. Mr. Atkins intends taking another car load of stock back with him when he returns to Manitoba.**

**A very heavy rain storm passed over here on Monday night. The lightning was very vivid, but no damage was done. Everything fresh and cool this morning.**

**HAMILTON.**  
Another newspaper is to be started here in this year. Three of the would-be men in the city are mentioned as furnishing the capital, and it will be a one cent paper and independent in politics. The Times, and the Spectator, will have to battle to keep their subscribers. Naturally enough rumor has it that first-class writers and energetic managers are to be engaged. The office has not yet been selected. I believe it was started here some time ago and failed in a short time there seems to be a welcome for this one, and, if properly managed, it should pay. Readers are very glad to get an independent paper, as a rule, and read unbiased reports of meetings and matters of public interest.

**I mentioned some time ago that a batch of juvenile thieves had been brought before the Police Magistrate and though generally were dismissed with a warning, Gentle treatment was not what two of them wanted evidently as they were captured in a coal and wood office this week, having broken in with the orthodox crow-bar. Their parents appeared before the Magistrate and stated that they had done much in their power to reform their boys, but had failed. The P. M. enjoined good behavior on them for the term of three years in the Reformatory.**

**The carnival committee are rapidly getting things into shape and have already arranged a list of attractions that will place the most fastidious. There will be no better place in Canada in which to spend a week than in Hamilton while the carnival is going on, from the 19th to the 23rd August. In my next letter I will be able to give you some of the leading events on the programme.**

**One of the local newspaper complaints that news is scarce just now and calls on the Free Library Secretary to call a meeting of the Board. That would certainly be a thing to do for a day or so.**

**There are not many men out of employment now at during the spring months. Applications have been frequent from Old Country office boys, salesmen, and laborers of all classes, and one wonders what the reason is for the scarcity of work. It is not unusual for us, as are going to do when these cheap are willing to fill any place at any salary. It is getting more and more difficult every year to start a boy in the city, and boys and parents in many cases are thoroughly discouraged. Short-handled writing for a time was a field that enabled many to secure employment, but it is now included in the curriculum of the city schools, and hundreds of both boys and girls are adept at it.**

**The weather has been exceedingly pleasant during the past week and the thermometer maintained its summer base nicely.**

**CASTORIA**  
for Infants and Children.  
"Castoria is so well adapted to children that it is recommended as a superior to any prescription known to me."  
L. A. JACKMAN, M.D.  
111 St. Charles St., New York, N. Y.  
The CHERRY COUNTRY, 17 Murray Street, N. Y.

**PERSONAL MENTION**  
Paragraphs Respecting Visitors to and From Acton, With Whom Free Press Readers Are Here or Less Acquainted.

**Mr. M. Cowan, of Toronto, spent Sunday with Acton friends.**

**Mr. Jas. Warren, of Kincardine, is a great at Rockwood Farm.**

**Miss Minnie Fraser, of Limehouse, visited friends in Acton during the week.**

**Mr. W. D. Brothers, License Inspector for Halton, was in town on Saturday.**

**Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Stone, and family, of Toronto, spent Sunday at Cedar Rock Farm.**

**Mr. Will Ebbage, of Georgetown, visited us a pleasant call on Saturday last.**

**Miss Maggie Moore, and Miss Minnie Nelson, of Guelph, visited friends in Acton last week.**

**Mr. Jas. Warren, of Hamilton, spent a few days during the week with Mr. John Warren at Rockwood Farm.**

**Miss Katie Brennan with Miss Annie and Miss Maggie Lowry, spent last week with Mr. McNab.**

**Mr. Geo. McGavin, who has been attending the High School at Listowel, is spending vacation at his home.**

**Miss Annie J. Mann and Katie Lawson, are visiting friends in Stratford, St. Mary's, Mitchell and St. Paul's.**

**Mr. Alfred Warren, of Lincoln, Neb., is spending his summer vacation among friends in the vicinity of Acton.**

**Mr. Will J. Bruce, of Bradford, Ont., is spending his vacation with Mr. Geo. McGavin, at the home of the latter.**

**Mr. A. C. Smith, of the Western Insurance Company's staff, Toronto was the guest of his mother at Parkview Place.**

**Mr. Oliver Leaky, who has been visiting friends in Elora and Fergus, for several weeks past, returned home last week.**

**Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Grant have returned to Parkdale where they intend in future to reside. Their many friends wish them property and happiness in their new home.**

**Mr. Joseph Creighton, who has been engaged as Classical Master in the high school at Cornwall, Ont., is residing among friends in the vicinity of Acton, during his vacation.**

**Rev. C. A. Cook, formerly a resident of Acton, but at present successfully occupying a lucrative pastorate at Bloomfield, N. J., is spending a few days at the home of his father, Rev. R. B. Cook, of this place.**

**Agents wanted. Address Household Remedy Co., 978 Queen St. West, Toronto.**

**Requiring promptly, carefully and neatly effected at Kenny Bros., Boot & Shoe Store, Acton.**

**OAKVILLE.**  
More pleasure-seekers, or as the old-fashioned "summer boarders" are to be seen in Oakville at present, than at any other time. The only complaint that I have heard many of them utter, so far as the roadways which exist on certain corners of oak-favored little town. A few take it upon themselves, to gather together in the evening, more especially on Sunday; and they are to be seen, in the evening, in remarks about passers-by, the spitting of their tobacco juice on the sidewalk, making it unfit for an animal to tread upon let alone civilized people in a civilized country.

**We all know that of all the evils that curse this earth, "intemperance" is one of the worst. Very few of us have any idea of the terrible magnitude of this rapidly increasing scourge. I, for one, strongly believe that tobacco is the forerunner of intemperance, and am often led to wonder why temperance reformers and judges don't say more about it. Why don't they include it with spirituous liquors when the temperance pledge is passed; for how can we expect to overcome any evil, if we don't begin at the very root of it?**

**The pulpit of the Methodist church was occupied on Sunday last by Mr. Peart, of Burlington. In the morning he strongly urged before his congregation the great necessity of private, as well as public worship. In the evening he dwelt chiefly upon the force of kind words.**

**"Kind words can never die," Chenabold and West, God knows how deep they lie.**

**I noticed in the Toronto Reformers last week that it has again become a topic of its journal. "This time it is not towards the Acton Free Press, but the Oakville Star. The Star has never, to my knowledge ceased to shine, and never has it shone more brightly than at present; but the Reformers, I think, is occupying "reform" by displaying so much of its envious disposition.**

**The temperance excursion from Hamilton, which was to have been held here on Saturday last, did not arrive, owing to the boat being disabled.**

**The Oakville Council, of the R. T. of T., have arranged for an excursion to Wilson Park, N. Y., on Tuesday the 30th inst.**

**Advice to Mothers.—Are you disturbed at night and broken up by your child's crying and fretting with pain of sticking teeth? If so send at once and get a bottle of "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for children teething. Its value is incalculable. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it, mother; there is no mistake about it. It cures dysentery and diarrhoea, regulates the stomach and bowels, cures wind colic, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for children teething is pleasant to the taste and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States, and is for sale by all druggists throughout the world. Price twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind.**

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**New Band Rings**

**Cruets, Pickle Stands, Fish Slices, and Napkin Rings.**

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**Our Spring Goods.**

**KELLY BROS., ACTON.**

**Ordered Clothing**  
**New Hats**  
**Spring Ties**  
**Ready Made Clothing**  
**Dry Goods**  
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**Dry Goods at Reduced Prices**

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**What We intend doing for our Customers.**

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**Specialty—Lace Curtains Only 50c. per Pair.**

**CLARK & THOMPSON'S**

**30 Lower Wyndham St., next door to Herod & Co's Drug Store. GUELPH.**

**Summer Sale.**  
Clearing out our Summer Goods.  
Great bargains will be given in Millinery, Gloves, Feathers, Ribbons, Straw goods of all kinds.  
A fine ladies' straw hat worth \$1.00 for 25c, some as low as 18c. Dolmans, Jackets in cloth and silk to be slaughtered.  
Parasols 25c, original price \$1.  
Great lines of Dress Goods reduced to 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c, 55c, 60c, 65c, 70c, 75c, 80c, 85c, 90c, 100c, 110c, 120c, 130c, 140c, 150c, worth double the money. Muslins plain and printed 5c, 6c, 7c, 8c, 9c, 10c, 11c, a line of fine fancy muslin for 10c, worth 25c. Black and Colored Silks at marvellous low prices.  
Colored Satins and Silks from 25c per yard up, a beautiful Black and Colored Satin Merrettineux at 50c per yd. Seersuckers for 6c, worth 10c, Prints 6c, worth 10c, Ginghams and Cyprus lawns in great variety for 5c. per yd. and up.  
85 yds. of factory cotton for \$1.00, White cotton for 5c. 8c. and 10c. per yd. worth 20 per cent. more.  
Also we are astonishing the people in summer Ready-made Clothing, nice Coats for 50c. All our immense stock has been bought right, we are selling it cheap and we have reduced large lines to be sold regardless of cost.  
Remnants of Silks, Dress Goods, Prints, Tweeds and other goods very low. It will pay you to give us a visit. Of course our Millinery department, Dressmaking department, and Ordered Clothing department is running at high pressure speed turning out the stuff to suit the most fastidious.

**Wm. McLeod & Co.**  
MAMMOTH HOUSE, GEORGETOWN.