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The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 5, 1891.

LITTLE LOCAL BRIEFLETS

Which Caught the Eyes or Ears of Free Press Reporters this Week.

—Now for a month of election talk.

—The insurance meeting in the town hall to-day.

—The General Elections on Thursday, March 5th.

—Our Municipal Fathers meet in session next Monday evening.

—Three thaws during January. The last nearly annihilated the sleighing.

—Political Conventions and public meetings will be on the bill of fare now for a month.

—R. B. Jermyn announces that his great reduction sale will be continued during February.

—The annual meeting of the Halton District Council, R. T. of T. will be held in Burlington on Friday.

—The applications for the position of "One man, all work," will be considered at the Council next Monday evening.

—Mr. J. W. Bengough finds it impossible to visit Acton on the 13th March as announced, but will be here on a later date.

—Five persons were badly injured in Guelph last Friday while coasting. Mr. W. H. Jacomb had his leg broken and head cut.

—The date of Halton Sabbath School Convention is Wednesday and Thursday, 25th and 26th February. The place, Burlington.

—At the meeting of the R. T. of T. Monday evening Bro. H. B. Allan, of Georgetown, addressed the Council in a few earnest remarks.

—Mr. J. T. Mitchell, formerly of the Erin *Advocate*, has established a newspaper in Ridgetown which has been christened *The Liberal*.

—Rev. J. A. Brenanstuhl, of Everton, preached in the Disciples' Church on Sunday. His sermons were earnest and eminently practical.

—The social at St. Alban's parsonage on Tuesday evening was well attended considering the very inclement weather. Those present spent a very pleasant evening.

—The Baptist concert to-morrow evening offers entertainment for all. The McMaster University Glee Club and the other artists are well known for their excellent efforts.

—Mr. John Arthurs having purchased the Canada Glove Works' property, has bought out Mr. A. E. Lamb, one of the tenants, and will continue the grocery business there.

—The week-night services in Knox church have been changed. The regular prayer-meeting will now be held on Tuesday evening and the S. S. Teacher's meeting on Thursday evening.

—The memory of the late Col. Wm. Winer Cooke, brother of Rev. G. B. Cooke, of Acton, has been honored by being chosen as the name of a new Grand Army Post organized at Hamilton last week. Col. Cooke was in command under Gen. Custer on the American frontier and was a victim of the terrible "Custer Massacre."

—The mails are sometimes uncertain, and many papers which are started to subscribers never reach them. If you miss a copy of the FREE PRESS, don't censure the publisher, and don't remain silent, but report the loss to him and another will be mailed. Persons who do without the papers they have paid for, and complain of the publisher, do injustice to all concerned.

—Farmer Arch. McPherson has a sow which for some time has been visiting Acton at regular intervals. It had always eluded the watchful eye of pound-keeper Easton, and on Saturday came to town accompanied by a smaller companion. Nor on this occasion were they caught caught by the officer. An oyster can caught the juvenile, however, and some of our Main street citizens were amused to see the twain hurrying homeward, the new comer being completely muzzled with the oyster can, which the weighty farmer removed upon their arrival at his yard.

Fatal Ride on a Farmer's Sleigh.

KINGSTON, Feb. 2.—Mr. Stayley, of Wolfe Island, was driving a load of hay with another also loaded behind it up Ontario street Saturday. The pole at the rear of the sleigh was crowded with boys. Three, among them Eddie Davis, 8 years old, were sitting through to come between the two and ride on the tongue of the rear sleigh. Davis lost his balance. He attempted to crawl out, but the sleigh passed over him, killing him instantly.

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THE NEWS AT HOME.

Mostly of a Local Character, and Every Item Interesting.

A Successful Event.

The Epworth League Social given by Mr. John C. Nelson last Thursday evening was most enjoyable. The night was unpropitious but the attendance was very good. Everything that could be arranged to secure pleasure to those present was to be found and the affair was a success throughout. The proceeds amounted to $16 50.

Open Temperance Meeting.

The open meeting of the Royal Templars announced for last Monday evening was postponed until Friday evening, 13th inst. The postponement was considered advisable owing to the unavoidable absence of Grand Council Lecturer Bell. A good programme will be presented at the meeting on the 13th which will be free for all.

Words of Sympathy.

At the meeting of the Royal Templars of Temperance on Monday evening a resolution of condolence in the death of Mrs. John Cameron was passed. Mrs. Cameron was a charter member and while she was able to attend was one of the most active members. Hearty words of sympathy were extended to Bro. Cameron in his affliction, as also to the other members of the family.

"Friend After Friend Departs."

Last Wednesday Rev. J. W. Rae was called to the death-bed of his brother, Mr. George L. Rae, contractor, Toronto. Death took place on Thursday morning after a brief illness. Typhoid fever was the cause. Mr. Rae will be remembered by a many of our citizens, as it was he who built the brick-work of the new Manse in the summer of 1889. He was highly respected; was an energetic temperance worker, and his death is mourned by a large circle of friends. A wife and one child are left. Mr. Rae was about to leave for British Columbia when he was taken ill, and Rev. and Mrs. Rae were down shortly after the New Year to spend a day or so with him previous to his departure. Interment took place on Friday at the family plot at Orono.

The Gun Club's Record.

The third match of Acton Gun Club took place on Saturday afternoon. The score was a follows: In the first ten rounds Speight and Jeans were tied and took three shots each to decide:—

CONTESTANTS	SCORE
C. C. Speight, sparrows	1001011011—6
W. Jeans, sparrows	1022101010—6
C. Falkner	1100010010—4
J. J. Pearson	1011100000—4
C. Quittner	1000010100—3
J. Harvey	0001010000—2
E. Nicklin	1000100001—3
C. C. Speight extra to decide	011—2
W. Jeans do. do.	000—0

An amusing incident is told of one or two of the members of the club in their efforts to secure live birds for their matches. Pigeons and sparrows have been in demand, but on Friday evening, a sufficient quantity for next day's shoot not having been secured, these active members hied them to the tower of St. Joseph's church, a well-known roosting place. The most active member volunteered to ascend the tower and by laborous exertions reached the top inside. As a reward for his efforts he captured one poor little sparrow—only one, and the descent with this burden was even more trying than the going aloft. These active members will shoot clay pigeons hereafter. In last week's report the name of C. Taylor was unintentionally omitted. His score was two.

PUPILS OF HIGH STANDING.

The Monthly examinations in Acton Public School.

The publication in the FREE PRESS of the results of the monthly examination of the pupils of the public school has created a healthy rivalry among the scholars. The desire to excel in the examinations and appear in the honor roll published in these columns is an incentive to study, on the part of the ambitious ones at least, during the whole month.

The names of the highest in standing in each class in the stone school, in January are here given:—

FIRST DEPARTMENT.

CLASS V.—Lewis Orr, 227; Annie Stephenson, 226; Bella Stephenson, 217.

CLASS IV, SEN.—Wm. Gifford, 230; J. J. Pearson, 201; L. Williams, 198; Lizzie McLam, 198.

CLASS IV, JUN.—Chas. Matthews, 215; Rollie Smith, 215; Fred Ryder, 208; Jas. Moore, 204; Wm. McNab, 202; Frank McIntosh, 202.

CLASS III, SEN.—Fred Ross, 218; Jno. McGill, 218; Arthur Pearson, 218; Wm. Lowry, 207; Wm. Smith, 200; Fred Smith, 200.

Marks possible, 230. Thos. T. Moore, Teacher.

SECOND DEPARTMENT.

SENIORS.—James Tovell, 244; Wilbert Tovell, 242; John McDonald, 236; Robert McPherson, 230; Elsie Quittner, 230; Willie Swackhamer, 230.

JUNIORS.—Maggie Wallace, 221; Arthur Moore, 210; Nellie McPherson, 200; Maggie Laird, 202.

Marks possible, 250. Cassie McPhail, Teacher.

THIRD DEPARTMENT.

2ND CLASS.—Ella Anderson, 195; Alice Lowry, 194; Eddie Moore, 191.

PART II, SEN.—Edwin Francis, 191; Maude Ryder, 185; Willie Arnold, 175.

PART II, INTER.—Edith Edwards, 200; Flora McNabb, 200; Mary Tovell, 190; Jennie Smith, 190; Ernest Pearson, 185.

PART II, JUN.—Minnie Harding, 178; Tommy Henderson, 172; May Prentice, 165.

Marks possible, 200. J. K. Cleveland, Teacher.

HALTON SONS OF TEMPERANCE.

Annual Meeting of the District Division at Sheridan.

The second annual meeting of Halton District Division was held at Sheridan, last week and was very enthusiastic and numerously attended. Bro. A. Henderson, of Omagh, presided and amongst the visitors were Bro. Jas. Brooks, G.W.P., Toronto, Bro. W. H. Bewell, G.T., Whitby, and Bros. Dougherty, Currie, Jones and Collom from the County of Peel. Eighty-three delegates and a number of visitors were present, representing the various divisions in the county. The address of the D.W.P. showed the state of the work to be in a flourishing condition, the membership in the district having reached the grand total of 1021, as against 368 at the beginning of the year, with encouraging prospects for the future. The new order of juvenile work, the Loyal Crusaders, took its first root in the Province of Ontario in this county, for on Monday afternoon, Jan. 5th inst., Company A. was organized at Palermo by Bro. Anson Buck, P.G.W.A., with 35 recruits, and Bro. S. W. Holden, as Worthy Commander. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:—

D.W.P.—Bro. L. E. Wrinch, Palermo.
D.W.A.—Sis. L. Ford, Trafalgar Star.
D.S.—Bro. G. E. Buck, Omagh.
D. TREAS.—Bro. J. F. Ford, Omagh.
D. COM.—B. F. Howdan, Hornby.
D. SEN.—Bro. R. Mentles, Campbellville.

The public meeting in the evening was crowded. A union programme was rendered in a first class manner.

THE COUNTRY AROUND.

News Items Supplied by Correspondents and Exchanges.

MILTON.

The capital stock of the Milton Pressed Brick and Sewer Pipe Company is $50,000.

On January 21st the celebration of the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Porter took place at their residence on the 4th line, Trafalgar.

A Parlor Concert was given at the residence of Principal Gray on Monday evening.

Yesterday D. M. Harrison was nominated by J. H. McCollom, seconded by Jas. Hume, and J. M. Fields by Jas. Hollinrake, seconded by G. A. Hemstreet, for school trustee for the South Ward, the election held in the beginning of the month being void on account of the deputy returning officer closing the poll an hour too soon. The polling will take place next Wednesday.—*Champion.*

CREWSON'S CORNER'S.

Miss Hattie Eagle, who was visiting in Sarnia for several months, has returned home.

Mr. Thomas Eagle, who recently buried his father, was away last week performing the same sad duty for his stepmother.

The church service which was previously held at 6.30 p.m. has, owing to a rearrangement of circuit affairs, been changed to 2.30 in the afternoon.

The Quarterly Communion Services of the circuit were held at Rockwood on Sunday. As a result we had neither Sabbath School nor preaching service here.

It will be noticed that the Rockwood correspondence to the Guelph *Herald* gives the Rockwood Quartette Club a great puff for their efforts at the Brick church tea-meeting. We don't like self-praise. We would prefer to hear others give it. At any rate if we know anything about music we think Bill Williams' Quartette Club won the laurels on this occasion.

At a social in this neighborhood recently an amusing circumstance took place. After the usual formalities a five-story election cake was brought forward, a couple of bonnie lasses nominated as contestants, and as the friends of each nominee was anxious for her election there was some considerable excitement. At the expiration of fifteen minutes the contest was closed, and the successful candidate generously concluded to give the company the benefit of her success and invited the chairman to cut the bottom story. This muscular gentleman went to work with might and main, but although he made strenuous efforts to effect a division of the tempting article, failed. Further examination proved that the highly ornamental affair was nothing more nor less than a basswood cake, and the defeated candidate had the last laugh at the expense of her opponent and the worthy chairman.

GEORGETOWN.

Did the bear see his shadow?

St. Valentine's day one week from Saturday. Address all inquiries for Mr. Wasp in care of this office.

The mill that grinds out weddings had a great old grist last week.

Mr. Jas. Roy, Bank of Hamilton, Toronto, spent Sunday here and in Norval.

Mr. Hiram Baker who fires for Creelman Bros., lies very low with a bad attack of sciatica.

Mr. John Richardson, of Toronto, has been the guest of Mr. R. Matthews, Stewarttown, during the past week.

Mr. John Gibson is suffering from an acute attack of that malady commonly, but wrongfully ascribed to childhood only—mumps.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Moore spent a few hours in Georgetown on Friday. The paper mill was an interesting point of inspection.

Mr. W. Watson, who has relatives in this town, has been engaged as baker at S. M. Cook's.

Mr. J. A. Glass is about to resume business. He goes into the vacant store in the Clark House Block, and will have Jno. Watkins for a neighbor at his old business as a green grocer.

In the absence of Rev. Mr. Love, who is away at the sick-bed of his wife's mother, Mr. Snider, of the Glen, filled the pulpit of the Congregational church Sunday morning. There was no service in the evening.

The Heintzman Piano Company has been represented by their agents in our town during the past two weeks and as a result some of our citizens are now the envied possessors of the far-famed instruments made by this firm. Messrs. L. L. Bennett, W. A. Miller, Mrs. Leslie and Dr. Bennie are four of the lucky purchasers.

A rather serious accident happened to younger scions of the McLeod and H. M. Watson families on Friday afternoon last. They were coasting on Cook's Hill, John St., when, in trying to avoid a water-pool, the sled veered into the ditch, scattering its riders "promiscuous." The boys were badly bruised and stunned but are now getting over it all nicely.

"Bro." Kennedy held a session of his august court on Saturday afternoon last for the benefit of two unfortunate youths from the Glen, who were accused of disturbing divine worship. Charles Brooks, one of the accused was acquitted, but James Eveson, the other, was fined the regulation $5.00 and costs. "Bro" Norton appeared as prosecutor, and he claims that the Glen boys are a tough lot, notwithstanding the moral efforts of himself and "Walt, the Scribe" to turn them from their evil ways.

Sunday evening the Methodist church here was crowded by those who were anxious to hear one of the cleverest pulpit men of our land on a subject with which he is thoroughly at home. We refer to Rev. Dr. Carman, General Superintendent, on the educational question. "God in Knowledge" was his theme, and for one hour he held the closest attention of all while he spoke of the desirability of knowledge and of the great necessity of maintaining church universities. He caused many a smile by his ironical humor, as for instance when he said to those who would say "Open your mouth and God will fill it, even as he did Moses'," "yes, but it took God forty years to get Moses' mouth open wide enough to fill." The ample collection that followed the close of the sermon was a telling testimony of its appreciation.

On Monday evening as Mr. Wm. Leslie, 8th line Esquesing, was returning home from near Speyside, his team became frightened and ran away throwing Mr. Leslie out and seriously wounding him about the head and face. He was taken home and Dr. Auld stitched up the torn scalp.

DIED.—In Esquesing on Monday, Feb. 2nd, Wm. Snow, Esq.

MARRIED.—In Thornbury, on Wednesday, Jan. 28th 1891, James Bell, of Stewarttown, Ont., to Miss Allan, of Thornbury.

In Georgetown, on Jan. 28th, 1891, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. A. Watson to Agnes, daughter of Joseph Ruddy, Esq., all of this place.

WASP.

"Bronson calls his wife a perfect poem. I think she's a termagant." "Well, that's what Bronson means. She is not easily composed."

OAKVILLE.

On Friday evening Mr. J. Yorston, of Toronto, delivered an address on "Habit" in the lecture room of the Methodist church. It was fairly well attended. Proceeds in aid of the new A. M. E. Church, now being erected.

Many of the young people from the different churches in town attended the Presbyterian church on Sunday evening to hear Rev. R. B. Craig's special sermon to young people. He dwelt chiefly upon the dance, and his remarks upon this line were very plain and pointed.

Miss Tillie Sumner entertained a number of her young friends on Friday evening last. Miss Tillie purposes leaving for Indianapolis in the course of a week or two, for a three months' visit with her aunt. While her many friends will miss her, they all join in wishing her a pleasant visit and a safe return.

Dr. Forster, of Hamilton, spent Sunday under the parental roof.

ERAMOSA.

The FREE PRESS referred some time ago to the offer by the *Empire* of a Dominion flag to be competed for in each county by the pupils of the public schools; the competition to be decided upon the essays written upon the subject. "The Patriotic Influence of Hoisting the Flag on the Schools." The school taught by Mr. Jas. Black, in S. S. No. 1, Eramosa, was the fortunate winner for Wellington county, the essay which won the prize having been written by Miss Katie Bernard, daughter of Mr. Chas. Bernard. The hoisting of the flag took place last Wednesday with appropriate ceremonies. The proceedings opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Cooke, of Acton. Mr. Auld occupied the chair, and in addition to a very pleasing programme by the pupils of the school, a reading by Mr. John Strachan, etc., addresses were delivered by the following gentlemen: D. Guthrie, M.P.P., James Innes, M.P., Rev. G. B. Cooke, Col. Macdonald, Q.C., Mr. G. W. Field, and Mayor Goldie, of Guelph. School section, No. 1 is to be congratulated upon having won this prize.

BALLINAFAD.

The interesting services in connection with the induction of Rev. L. C. Emes as pastor of the Presbyterian churches of Ballinafad and Melville took place at Ballinafad last week. The service was a very imposing one and attended by large numbers not only members of the church, but of other churches also. Rev. Mr. Wilson preached a very appropriate sermon to the congregation; Rev. Mr. Campbell, of Cheltenham, addressed the church; Rev. Mr. Fowlie gave the address to the pastor.

The tea-meeting in the evening was a grand success, the receipts being about $70. The speakers were Revs. Crozier, Campbell, Ball, Wilson and Fowlie. Good music was given by the choir of Knox church, Acton. The solo, "Mother Wait for me," by Miss Henderson was really excellent. A very pleasing part of the evening service was the presentation to Rev. Mr. Fowlie of a purse of money for his services to the congregation as moderator, and in assisting them to secure a pastor. This presentation was made on behalf of both Melville and Ballinafad congregations.

The death of Mr. Wm. Near, took place on January 19th, at his residence, after an illness of only a few days, caused by inflammation of the lungs. The family have the sincere sympathy of the whole neighborhood. Mr. Near was a descendant of one of the first settlers of Erin township. He was born in the township, near the place where he has always lived, lot 5, con. 9. He was a consistent member of the Methodist church, Ballinafad, and an earnest temperance worker.

ROCKWOOD.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed in both the Presbyterian and Methodist churches on Sunday morning.

The regular monthly services were held in the R. C. church Sunday morning and evening.

Special evangelistic services are being held this week in the Methodist church, 4th line, Eramosa, by the Rev. Chas. Fish, of Toronto.

A skating race of five miles will take place in the rink here on Thursday evening between amateurs Garstang, of Rockwood, and Carlisle, of Acton.

Last week Mr. John McNab's two year-old child fell through a trap door from the barn into the stable beneath a distance of nine or ten feet causing concussion of the brain. However we are pleased to learn that the little sufferer is again about all right.

Some two weeks ago Mr. John Strachan was made the recipient by the members of the Presbyterian church of an address accompanied by the more substantial element, a purse containing a handsome sum of money. This was no more than Mr. Strachan's due as he has been the faithful leader of the choir for some years and has succeeded in bringing it to a high state of perfection.

At the Carnival last Wednesday evening the following were the prize winners:—Best dressed lady, Miss N. Strachan; best dressed gent, A. Murray; best lady skater, Miss Richardson; worst lady skater, Miss M. Jago; worst gent skater, Jos. James; best lady and gent in costume, Miss E. Passmore and Mr. Laverty; comic gent, S. Greaves; boy's race, 1st Jas. Knowles, 2nd R. Ebbage, Acton.

Once upon a time a great many journals bolstered up their circulation to a paying pitch by giving prizes, ranging in value from a two thousand dollar bank cheque or a grand piano down to chewing gum, to the parties who could perform such difficult feats as giving the name of Noah's three sons or giving the greatest number of words contained in such combinations as "Great Scott" etc., in the least possible time from the word Go! and with the almost invariable stipulation that the contestant subscribe for the journal. Magazines with no pretence to literary worth swelled up in a few weeks a circulation which knocked into the vicinity of Mr. Gilroy's kite such steady-going periodicals as the *Century*, Acton FREE PRESS, etc. A political newspaper issued in a certain city was somewhat in advance of giving nickel watches to subscribers so it sent notices that it would give a flag in each county for the best essay written by any pupil of the public schools in that county on a certain subject. Some of the old heads in a certain section of a certain county combined (like the manufacturers) and produced a very fine essay and made a little girl in her teens appropriate it. Many other children who wrote essays with the help of their teacher or friends were left, as this little girl won the prize. This prize flag must be hoisted on the school-house and now comes the tug-of-war. All the big guns in the neighborhood of the same shade of politics as the enterprising newspaper, attended, and while hurrahing for the flag, remembered the giver with a tiger. But all the big guns of the opposing shade of politics were were there too, with witty speeches, and, although pronounced one of the events of the season, we learn it was declared politically a draw.

"THE GEM OF THE ROCKIES."

Description of Ouray, Colorado—A Mining Town—By A Former Citizen.

Mr. El. A. Hemstreet, has sent us the following interesting description of the mining centre in Colorado, where he spent the past three years:—

Ouray is named after old chief Ouray, the only friendly leader of the Indians, to the whites, and it is unique in its situation. It is about 8,000 feet above the level of the sea, 2,000 feet above Denver, and on a level with the capital of old Mexico, which is the loftiest city of its size on the continent. Ouray to-day, with its hot springs in many places gushing out in great volume, of curative chemical mixture of salts and alkalies, and at a temperature of 140 degrees winter and summer, so that the river which runs through the valley never has a film of ice upon its surface, and the vast sweep of steep amphitheatrical rocks and mountain sides, is a favorite spot for tourists.

These points and many others, which the pen cannot portray, combine to make Ouray the drinking cup, punch bowl, or Theatre Pit for the "Play of the Gods." Whatever figure you liken the place to, you will not find another place just like it on the round globe at least, so say the best travelled tourists who visit here from summer to summer.

Out of the rocks forming the walls of the canon through which we ride at a dizzy height above the valley below, the skilled engineer has hewn and blasted a rock bed for travel, and as we wind the pass on the decline, the scene that bursts upon the snow capped peaks that glitter in the blue sky, down, down, down to the beautiful little nests of hamlets in the valley below is of the grandest and sublimest description. In fact description is useless unless seen. The sense of its immensity is overpowering. It is well worth a trip from the old world to see. But Ouray has the most positive and extensive sanitary attractions in her mountain springs, only equalled by Manitou and Glenwood. Ouray has the most potent of commercial attractions—Gold. "Gold, hard and cold, spurned by the young and hugged by the old." The gold belt of the Ouray mining district is daily expanding. Numerous lumps from the mines are visible from any point you may gaze from anywhere in the city. But it is a tedious and tiresome travel, by a lonely and zig-zag route, to get upon the mountain side where they lie, and to pick up and smelt out the rich metal, involves much labor. Very rich ore is being brought down into the city, however, to the assayers, offices. Ouray has been so far removed from railway connection, or approached in past years, that she has not received the scrutinizing attention by prospectors that other sections of the state have had. The nearest shipping point being nearly 400 miles away for years. However favorable the ore might look, the prospect of getting out, treatment and market was discouraging to say the least, but late years have brought better facilities.

The pioneers who have shown such pluck, patience and endurance are now reaping better returns than in the gloomy years gone by. Some of them are rich to-day, and they will tell you they knew all the while, where the pay steaks were, and that they would "pan out" rich, and they stuck with it till now. Not only prospectors, saloon-keepers and gamblers are to be found in large numbers, but merchants, mechanics, speculators and men following every line of trade and business are to be met with. Ouray has now close and quick connection with the outside world by means of the Denver and Rio Grande Branch railway, connecting with the main line at Montrose and Silverton. This of course gives to the great growing camp all the advantages of commerce and cheap and easy market supplies. It also adds intensely to the tourist's travel and occasionally visitors become investors and determine to settle down to make this their permanent residence. The streets are now crowded daily with a class who are inquisitive about mining developements, and who either for themselves or as agents for eastern capital are on the lookout for "points" on good mining property. The dividends paid on individual mines have been enormous and the consequence is that Ouray is the most prosperous mining camp in Colorado. It has all the eastern city improvements in waterworks, electric lights, telephone, etc., and an astonishing feature is that the heavy license tax on liquor dealers brings sufficient revenue to pay all the municipal expenses, so that no tax levy has been imposed since 1887.

The mining industry on which all this progress and prosperity depends, has grown, in about 12 years from $800.00 to $1,500,000, output in 1887, and $3,000,000, in 1890.

Ample provision is made for the education of the children and youth of this enterprising city in good school houses. Its county court house is the arena for the settlement of disputed claims, and its Miners' Hospital is a welcome asylum to all such as may suffer from falling rocks, premature blasts, or other accidents or who may be taken ill and without friends to attend their wants and assist in recovery.

There is represented here the Methodist, the Presbyterian, Baptist, Episcopal and Roman Catholic denominations. Ouray is receiving patronage from the invalid sportsman, pleasure seeker, and scientific traveller. To such Ouray is surrounded with a region full of interest and delightful scenery of unparalleled grandeur and magnificence. Wild game of all kinds, from goat to grizzly bear are found far away in the remote canons. Deer, elk, wild cats and even mountain lions have been seen by those who have had nerve to hunt for them at the right time and in the wild neighborhood of their craggy haunts.

LESLIE'S SCHOOL.

The following is the comparative standing of the pupils of S. S. No. 8, Erin, for January:—

IV CLASS—M. Kirkwood, N. McMurchy.

III CLASS—L. Perrin, E. Cann, A. Leslie, E. Currie, A. Kirkwood, J. Allan, J. Johnson, M. Prout, H. Leslie, S. Cann, M. Crewson, L. McMurchy, N. Massles, C Johnson, W. Currie, J. Crewson, G. Murray, J. Maud.

II CLASS—M. Dron, R. Johnson, J. Currie, C. Lambert, A. Cann, J. Prout, G. Mann, J. Leslie, C. McKeown, J. Duff, H. Massles, A. Currie, J. Dron, I. Murray.

SR. PART II—E. Near, M. Dron, C. Prout, C. Currie, H. Kirkwood, I. Johnson, V. Kirkwood.

JR. PART II—B. Lambert, E. Mann, S. Prout, J. Leslie, F. Johnson, F. Maud.

H. McLean, Teacher.

ERIN.

Wm. Tyler, J.P. has tendered his resignation as clerk of the village Council. He has occupied the position ever since incorporation.

The following are the members of the Local Board of Health for the year:—George Sanders, Richard Medley, Reeve and Clerk, J. D. McNaughton, M. D., Medical Health Officer.

GOODS GIVEN AWAY

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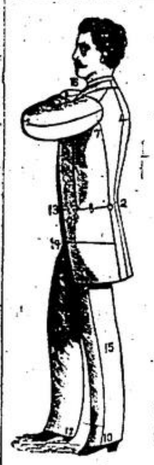

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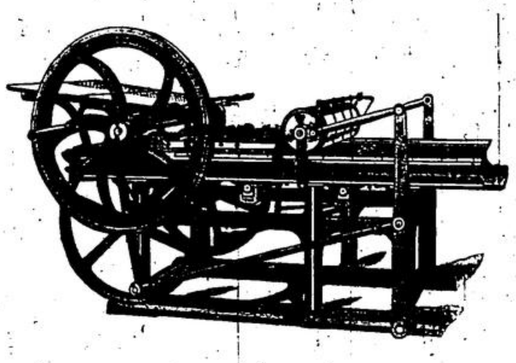

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