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The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, ARPIL 23, 1891.

LITTLE LOCAL BRIEFLETS

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

—Now plant shade trees.

—Prof. Panton last night.

—The roads are drying up very rapidly.

—Some glorious spring weather the past week.

—J. W. Bengough of *Grip*, to-morrow night.

—Spring work is now engaged in real earnest.

—The grass is greening and the trees are budding.

—The assizes open at Milton next Monday morning.

—Tozo Ohno, the converted Jap, on Sunday night.

—The scare crow will soon be donning his summer suit.

—There will be any amount of "protest" talk again now.

—Milton goal had 43 male and one female prisoner last year.

—Mr. L. G. Matthews has considerably improved his store during the week.

—Sunday, April 26th, is the 72nd anniversary of Oddfellowship in America.

—The fall wheat has not wintered better better in this vicinity for many years.

—The boy who can beat a carpet to beat the band is the joy of his mother's heart.

—Conductor Higgins has succeeded to Joe Draper's old run on the Grand Trunk.

—Mrs. Jennie E. Cameron is improving her residence corner Mill and Guelph Sts

—The corporation officer will commence the work of cleaning the streets in a day or so.

—The new tool house at the town hall is not likely to add much beauty to the premises.

—The monthly literary meeting of the Epworth League will be held next Tuesday evening.

—Every second farmer you see now has a plough point, a pair of plow lines or a bag of seed.

—Mr. H. H. Worden has added a neat verandah and balcony to his new residence on Park avenue.

—WANTED.—An apprentice to learn the art of printing. Apply at once at the FREE PRESS Acton.

—"Wonderland," by Prof. Panton and Mr. D. W. Campbell, is in progress in Knox church as we go to press.

—Messrs. J. D. Williamson & Co. of the Lion, Guelph, are putting in a fine new front in their double store.

—Emily J. Irvine, M.D., a lady graduate of Trinity Medical College, Toronto, has hung out her shingle at Brampton.

—The annual convention of Eramosa Township Association will be held at Everton on Wednesday May 27th.

—The grip will soon release its hold, and apples green will gripe; the festive fly will grow more bold, and pic nics will be ripe.

—If you are going for a trip or have a friend visiting you, bring the item to this office. Don't be bashful, it is news we want.

—Mr. David Williamson, was the first to commence seeding in this neighborhood. He sowed four acres of spring wheat last week.

—Rev. D. V. Lucas has just issued an interesting pamphlet entitled "Wine; Bad and Good," in which he treats in a studious manner the wines of the Bible.

—Master Bennett Clark will hereafter sell *Grip*, Canada's comic paper, on the streets. Those who hear Bengough, its popular cartoonist, to-morrow evening, will naturally want to see his productions in *Grip* every week.

—Mr. Tozo Ohno, of Japan, will (D. V.) preach for the Disciples next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Subject, "Christianity Viewed from a Heathen Standpoint," evening at 6.30 o'clock, subject, "Japanese Habits and Customs and Mission Work." Public cordially are invited.

—The Emma Wells Comedy Company is to re appear in the Town Hall here on the evenings of the 5th, 6th and 7th of May. This company was very popular at its last visit some time ago and is favorably spoken of by the press. See posters giving further announcements.

—The roads leading to Nassagaweya from Acton have been in an almost impassible condition the past week. It is surely time the township council gave this section some attention. The roads referred to have not received anything like thorough repair in twenty years. A few culverts are needed in addition to turnpiking and filling in.

THE NEWS AT HOME.

Mostly of a Local Character, and Every Item Interesting.

The Gun Club.

The Gun Club held their usual weekly shoot on Saturday afternoon. The attendance was rather small. The following is the score, 21 yards rise, one barrel only, blue rocks:—

W Jones	0001111111—7
C. E. Falkner	0101101111—7
Jno. Harvey	0000100010—2
W. Stark	0101110011—6
Chas. Quittner	0100100001—3

The Census Enumerators.

Enquiry has been made of the FREE PRESS on several occasions as to who the enumerators for the county are. The following is the list as appointed by Commissioner W. C. Beaty:—Milton, W. Clements; Acton, J. M. Robertson; Burlington, Jos. Wilson; Georgetown, W. McCollom; Oakville, M. L. Bigger; Esquesing, C. Nixon, Jas. L. Wilson and T. H. Rutledge; Nassagaweya, D. D. Scott and E. McCaul; Nelson, Robt. McClenahan, T. Watson and Geo. E. Buck; Trafalgar, W. P. Bigger, J. A. Beatty, J. B. Earl and J. Dearing.

Our Newspapers.

Figures taken from the advance sheets of the American newspaper directories for 1891 show the total number of daily papers published in the United States to be 1,700, tri-weekly, 39; semi-weekly, 221; weekly, 13,128; bi-weekly, 85; semi-monthly, 312; monthly, 2,506; bi-monthly, 75; quarterly, 178; giving a grand total of 18,536. For Canada the figures are: daily, 88; tri-weekly, 7; semi-weekly, 15; weekly, 577; bi weekly, 5; semi-monthly, 15; monthly, 119; bi-monthly, 1; quarterly, 2; grand total, 829. Newfoundland boasts of 3 daily, 2 semi-weekly and 3 weeklies, a total of 8 in all. The grand total of all the papers published in the United States, Canada and Newfoundland reaches the respectable figure of 19,373.

Dead Letters.

In the Postmaster-General's recently issued Report, it is noted that 922,541 letters, circulars, cards, etc., were dealt with by the Dead Letter Office of the Dominion Postal service during the year ending 30th June, 1890. Of these, 10,413 came back from the British Post Office; and 93,281 from the United States; while 718,863 were returned from Canadian Post Offices. The work of the Dead Letter Office would be greatly facilitated if the writers of letters would be careful to give their addresses and sign their names in full, as it frequently happens that only the initials are given. A letter bearing the following address:—

Mr. G. MARTINETT,
at a farm,
1,700 miles beyond Montreal,
North-West Territory,
Canada,

reached the Dead Letter Office last year, and it was needless to say the Department was unable to deliver.

Secure Healthy Premises.

The chairman of the Board of Health in another column requests the residents of this municipality to cleanse their premises, pending the annual inspection by the Sanitary officer. This work is required to be completed before the 10th of May to receive the approbation of that officer for after the date mentioned he will proceed to enforce the by-laws governing the public health. This is a very important matter. Cleanliness is next to Godliness. The disease spread by the decaying vegetable matter lying around our yards is incalculable. Even though no direct illness results the air is impure around it, thus injuring the constitution and enervating the system of all who are compelled to breath it, while the portions which find their way with surface water into wells, continue to do damage by rendering the water unfit for use during the whole season. A little care in destroying garbage at this season of the year may save trouble with the inspector and perhaps a big doctor's bill later on.

Bengough of "Grip."

Mr. J. W. Bengough, the successful cartoonist, who controls the destinies of Canada's comic paper, will give one of his unique, sparkling and funny sketching entertainments in the town hall, on Friday evening of this week. His subject will be "People you know," and the programme will include character studies, personal imitations, dialect impersonations, burlesque vocalism and numerous crayon cartoons on local topics. Mr. Bengough has appeared in Acton on several former occasions when his audiences were delighted. His comical portraits of local celebrities are bound to delight those who hear and see him. Respecting a recent entertainment in Toronto the *Mail* says:—"Mr. Bengough is a genuine comedian as well as an admirable cartoonist, and a keen though playful satirist. His entertainment last night was a remarkable display of his all-round ability as a platform humorist. The salient points of the physical and mental character of real people whom you know, as well as fictitious typical personages, were hit off with unfailing skill, and always amusingly. The programme was interspersed with many new and clever chalk sketches.

Sad Fatal Accident.

On Saturday morning about eleven o'clock Mr. John Kennedy, of Young street, was walking down the G. T. R. track intending to go to Freure's mill to see about some bran, when a light engine backing down to the curve, struck him, when only a few yards from the crossing, causing injuries which resulted in instantaneous death. His body was thrown into the cattle guard and those in the vicinity were soon on the scene and tenderly lifted the mangled remains, but found that life had fled. Upon examination it was found that his wounds were numerous, the body and limbs being badly crushed and broken; the skull fractured and head and face terribly bruised and scratched. An inquest was deemed unnecessary. The funeral took place on Monday afternoon, was conducted by Rev. J. W. Rae and was very largely attended. Mr. Kennedy was born in Scotland and came to Canada many years ago. He lived until after his family had grown up on lot 17, Con. 2, Esquesing, near Speyside. About five years ago he retired from farming, sold his farm and purchased a comfortable home in Acton where he has since resided. One of Mr. Kennedy's heaviest trials was the death of his only son, Lachlan, some years ago. This winter deceased suffered from an attack of la grippe, from which he never entirely recovered. His hearing was defective and it will be remembered that the FREE PRESS recorded a few weeks ago the fact that he had been struck by an engine at the crossing on Mill street. It is thought this defect was the cause of his melancholy death on Saturday. He leaves three daughters, Mrs. John McPherson, Carsonville, Mich., Mrs. Graham Lawson, East Tremont, Mich., and Miss Isabella, to mourn his untimely end. Miss Diana, a granddaughter, has always lived with him and feels her loss keenly. Heartfelt sympathy is extended by all.

—Acton is negotiating with several electric light companies, and will probably have her dynamo running while Miltonians are still groping around at nights trying to steer by the feeble light of a few coal oil lamps.—*Champion.*

THE COUNTRY AROUND.

News Items Supplied by Correspondents and Exchanges.

CREWSON'S CORNERS.

The pulpit of the Methodist church was occupied last Sunday by Mr. Harry Chown of Guelph.

Owing to the bad roads the services have not been very well attended.

The first barn raising of the season took place on the farm of Mr. David McKeown last week and was accomplished. There are a number more to follow.

The other day while a distant neighbor was returning from Guelph he called at a hotel and imbibed freely in the intoxicating bowl. He subsequently fell into a drowsy condition and was relieved of a considerable sum of money.

The funeral cortege of the late Mrs. Lowery passed through here last Sunday.

Mr. Benjamin Watkins, has moved on his farm recently purchased from Mr. Alex. Kennedy. He is busily engaged with his spring work.

Quarterly Communion services for this Circuit will be held at Eden Mills on Sunday, May 3rd at half-past-ten.

BANNOCKBURN.

The maple sugar season is about at a close, and the farmers are busy with their spring work.

Taffy parties are the latest fad, and, as a result of one recently given, two or three of our young men—who use this as a means of coaxing out their moustaches—had to sit up late Saturday evening combing the sugar out, so that they would pass on Sunday.

The Bannockburn Quarctette visited Acton Saturday evening as usual and gave a sidewalk entertainment on behalf of one of the east end grocers.

Quite a number of the school children are afflicted with the mumps, thereby lessening the labors of our respected teacher.

One of our worthy young farmers is taking lessons on the violin at a neighbor's house. A very good excuse.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Gordon, of Toronto, and Mrs. Grant, of Teeswater, visited friends in this vicinity during the week.

The following was the elaborate closing of an essay on spring, written by one of our enterprising lasses:—The first bird of spring attempted to sing, but ere he had uttered a note, he fell from a limb, a dead bird was him, for the music had froze in his throat.

MILTON.

A banana social will be given by the young ladies of the Methodist church Friday evening.

Miss Racey, eldest daughter of the late Thomas Racey, Esq., Registrar for Halton, set out last week for Salt Lake City, Utah where she will reside with her brother-in-law, Col. Young.

It is announced that Mrs. Melinda Baker has been granted a pension of $100 a year from the United States Government, Mrs. Baker's deceased husband, John Baker, served in the Union Army during the civil war and it is claimed contracted disease from exposure which hastened his death.

Last Thursday Mr. Peter Campbell, of Trafalgar, as the roads were bad for driving, walked up the G.T.R. track to Milton. After transacting what business he had on hand he set out for home at 4 p.m., going the way he came. He had got but a short distance out of town when he was smitten by paralysis. Feeling the stroke coming, he managed to get clear of the rails and lay where he fell for some hours, when he recovered slightly and came back to Milton. He was unable to walk unless when he could get hold of something to support himself, had to crawl a great way on his hands and knees, and was unable to reach the Wallace House until about 1 a.m. He was in a pitiable condition, his hands badly cut by catching barbed wire fences and his clothes very muddy. He was taken home on Friday, but never rallied and died on Saturday. Mr. Campbell was an old resident of this county and was well known. He had a particularly genial disposition and his death will be generally regretted. He was 63 years of age and was a brother of Col. D. Campbell, County Registrar.

William McKenzie's 7-year old son, Kenneth, is dangerously ill from the effects of a blow in the stomach from the fist of a schoolmate named Armstrong. His recovery is problematical.—*Champion.*

A short time ago a violent type of diphtheria broke out at Allandale in the house of a man named Ferrier, whose wife and two children died from it. Two other children were removed to Milton, but too late to save their lives, and last week they also died.

GEORGETOWN.

Another protest for Halton!

Haldimand is now out of the ring.

Grocer Gray has left Georgetown, having had enough of its vicissitudes.

Dr. Auld is in New York on a business trip. Expected home to-day

The fine weather of the last few days has brought out the dust in its purest quality, so that our streets have quite a midsummer appearance.

For some weeks past there have been rumors of an invasion of our checker circles by forces from Limehouse, but so far only skirmishers have been seen. Our boys say "Ready always."

Mr. Jos. Price and wife narrowly escaped death by asphyxiation one night last week. Gas had escaped from the furnace in the bakery in such quantities as to have soon made their fate certain, but fortunately they were aroused in time. Mrs. Price is still very ill from its effects.

The furnace wall in one of the branches of Messrs. Sykes & Ainley's mills in the Glen caved in a week ago Saturday putting a check to all operations in that department and causing much damage besides. Operatives are busily engaged repairing.

On Wednesday evening of last week a number of the friends of Mrs. John Erwin, whose nuptials were recorded in last week's FREE PRESS, called at her father's home and presented her with a fine gold watch and chain as a slight token of the thanks of the Methodists of this town for her long and faithful services in the choir of that church. It is to be hoped she will remain in our midst as no choir need have a finer soprano.

Our band, of which Mr. Erwin was a member, also serenaded the happy couple on Thursday evening and came away financially stronger owing to Mr. Erwin's hearty response. "Long may this couple enjoy connubial bliss."

Messrs. Harnwell and Fred Thompson have both succeeded in carrying off firsts at the recent examinations held by the Guelph Conference at Mount Forest.

Mr. Thos. Watson has at last found his valuable dog "Shep," or rather all that was left of him. His body was discovered in the ravine behind Creelman's factory. It was long supposed that he was stolen.

PERSONAL ITEMS.—Mr. Sam Hewitson has returned from Toronto. Miss F. Goodwillie spent Sunday in Guelph. Miss Cassia Ballantyne and Mr. Rodgers, of Toronto, were in town over Sunday.

KNATCHBULL.

SUDDEN DEATH.—It is our painful duty this week to chronicle the sudden and unexpected death of Mrs. George Lowry about 10 o'clock on Friday morning last. The funeral took place on Sunday at 12 o'clock, and the remains were taken to Fairview Cemetery, Acton, for interment. It is only 13 months since the remains of her husband were laid at rest. A family of three sons and five daughters is left to mourn the loss of a father and mother. They have the deepest sympathy of the community in their sore bereavement.

Mrs. Jane Gault is lying very seriously ill at present suffering from bronchitis.

The weather the past few days has been delightful, the fields and roads are fast drying up and the forest trees are coming out in bud.

Seeding operations are now fairly under way, several fields have been sown with spring grain.

NASSAGAWEYA.

The Rev. Messrs. Hough and Caldwell, pastors of the Methodist church on the Nassagaweya circuit, have been engaged since the middle of January last, until a few days since, in holding revival services on their circuit. Meetings have been held at Corwhin, Moffat, Aberfoyle and Ebenezer churches. The meetings were, on the whole, well attended; especially at Corwhin and Ebenezer, and the interest increased all the way through. About 50 united with the Methodist church, on trial, on this circuit and some few will unite with other churches. The meetings also resulted in the quickening and increased spirituality of many who were already members of the church, and in fact, the whole circuit has been more or less benefitted by the meetings which had to be closed on account of the breaking up of the roads and the coming along of the spring work.

The Quarterly meeting will be held in the Ebenezer church next Sabbath, April 26th, at 10.30. The service will be specially for the benefit of those on the circuit who have recently united with the church on trial and addresses to them will be delivered by both pastors. A season of refreshing is expected, and all are invited to share in it.

ERIN.

The Spring Horse show was held at Hillsburg on Tuesday.

Mr. Lachlan Currie and Mr. Allan, of the 2nd con. are arranging to erect some new buildings on their farms this season.

The Rev. G. M. Leehy, of McMaster University, conducted the services in the Baptist church on Sabbath.

Reeve Kirkwood is making preparations to build a large bank barn this summer.

Dep-Reeve Dunbar is about to erect a bank barn.

Information has been received from Mr. George Blackwood that the American Government will grant him $4 a month from 1883 and $8 from 1890 till death as a pension, for having served in the American army. The back money will amount to between $400 and $500.

A large number of Erin lodge I.O.O.F. met with several invited guests at the Queen's hotel last week to bid farewell to Mr. Hugh Milloy, and to Mr. W. Scott, prominent members of the Order. An enjoyable supper was partaken of.—*Advocate.*

Joseph Watson, East of Garafraxa, has sold his farm, lot 2, con. 13, 100 acres, to Samuel Woolner for $4,500 and has purchased from Daniel McMillan lots 30 and 31, con. 7, Erin, 150 acres, for $8,500.

ROCKWOOD.

Inspector Craig visited the Rockwood Schools on Friday last.

Rev. Mr. Tovell, of St. Catharines, visited Eramosa friends last week.

Mrs. Wm. Wright, of Hanover, visited at Mr. John Wright's lasts week.

Mrs. Walker is leaving Rockwood this week for her former home in Georgetown.

A "Literary evening" of the Epworth League was held in the Methodist church on Monday and was a pronounced success.

The result of the promotion examinations in S. Wellington show that the pupils of the Rockwood School have been more than ordinarily successful for which Mr. Strachan the principal is to be congratulated.

Elsie, a ten year old child of Mr. A. H. Deike, of Guelph, while on a visit at Mr. Willoughby's near Rockwood, fell from some poles in the barn to the floor and besides other slight injuries broke her arm at the wrist.

CARD OF THANKS.—I beg leave to publicly acknowledge the receipt of $2,000 received from the Ontario Grand Lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workman through Rockwood Lodge No. 265 of which my late husband was a member. And I also thank the Officers of Rockwood Lodge for the promptness with which my Beneficiary was paid and I pray that the Order may prosper more and more.

(Signed) MRS. ELLEN WILSON

OAKVILLE.

On Friday, April 6th, the Dominion Jubilee Singers gave a concert in the lecture room of the Methodist church, which was a fair success. When music not only pleases but speaks to one, seeming to impart new life to all around, it is truly worthy of the name of music. Such we were treated to by this famous troupe. Their selections were varied, now they were sublime, again laughable, and at times our feelings were directed to the horrors of slavery, as well as the good time which came when those in bondage waited, like the larks to soar over into a free country. Rev. Mr. O'Banyoun, the leader, made a few remarks, in a few well chosen words relating to slavery.

Just at this season of the year the busy house keeper finds her activities multiplied and intensified while her lacking half finds his trials to be the same. She must clean, dust and scrub; he must shake carpets, clean stove-pipes, and eat his dinner on the end of an upturned barrel.

Yesterday, "Match winds"; to-day, "April showers"; to-morrow, "May sunshine."

On Thursday evening a free social was held in the school room of the Methodist church. It was mainly given to extend the right hand of fellowship to the young converts and those about to unite with the church. A large number was present and all enjoyed themselves immensely, and expressed themselves to be delighted with the older members of the church, with which they were to become identified. A friendly intercourse was promoted among the people. It is reminded one of the words "Behold how good and pleasant a thing it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

The W.C.T.U. have secured the services of Joe Hess, the ex-prize fighter, to hold temperance revival meetings a week during May.

The air is musical with the chimes of the tongue-bells of the gossiper. Their chimes may be heard for "Miles" around.

A calico ball is to be held in the town hall on Friday evening. This no doubt will be the last of the season.

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BURLINGTON.

Mr. J. Freeman, the blind man who was hurt while walking on the track a few weeks ago, is able to be out again.

The double track between here and Bronte is being rapidly completed, large loads of gravel being brought on daily and the gang of men working steadily.

The sermon by Rev. J. W. Rae, of Acton, to the Royal Templars of Temperance last Wednesday was an excellent and most appropriate one. There was a good attendance.

The Zimmerman house has changed hands, Martin Guth, formerly of the Burlington Manufacturing works, having secured the tenancy of it.

Arbor Day.

Arbor day, according to the report of the Ontario Minister of Education has become one of the most profitable holidays of the public school. "In a very few years," he says, "every rural school in the province will have its pleasant shady bower, where the pupils can find shelter from the scorching sun during the summer months and where their taste for the beautiful in nature will find some gratification." The first Friday in May has been appointed for the purpose of tree planting each year. It is hoped Acton Public School will continue the good work inaugurated in previous years. Nothing adds more to the beauty of a town than shade trees. The intention of the Minister of Education in proclaiming the first Friday in May of every year was not to establish a holiday to enable the pupils to go fishing. The day is to be spent in planting shade and ornamental trees, making flower beds, etc., and all are expected to unite in this good work.

An Important Will Case.

Judgement was given in the Chancery Division at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, on Monday in an action for the construction of the will of the late Oliver Lasby, of the township of Esquesing, near Acton, and for the sale of his real estate and distribution the proceeds. The clause requiring construction was as follows: "When my youngest son is of the age of 21 years my estate " " shall be divided among my children then living, that is to say, to each of my sons I leave two-thirds and to each of my daughters one-third." The chancellor remarks that "the will is said to be the work of a schoolmaster; his notions of fractions seem to be peculiar; but it is a relief to think he belonged to a past generation, as the document dates back to 1859." When the youngest son attained 18 in 1872 there was twelve children living, seven daughters and five sons, two of them have since died. The chancellor holds that the most reasonable and satisfactory mode of distribution is that each child should have a share but so that a son's portion shall be double that of a daughter. Substituting the word part for share, he thinks the will may be read, "all my estate and effects to be divided among my children, to each of my sons two parts, and to each of my daughters one part"; and to accomplish this the whole should be divided into seventeenths, giving to the seven daughters seven-seventeenths, and to the the five sons ten-seventeenths. Reference to the master at Guelph. Ordinary costs by commission extra costs of the hearing for construction to be taxed and paid out of the whole estate: on taxation three counsel to be allowed to represent the three different aspects of the will.

—To my many customers in Acton and vicinity I would respectfully call your attention to my immense stock of choice New Spring Goods, which I can confidently say, are the finest I have had the pleasure of showing. As I have made special bargains in the purchasing of them I am offering special inducements for spring, and will be pleased to meet all my old customers and many new ones, and as I am giving my special attention to the cutting, I can assure you of perfect satisfaction and good fitting clothing every time. R. E. NELSON, Guelph.

—The members of Georgetown Council evidently have faith in their town. The people are invited to vote upon a by-law to raise $40,000 for the construction of waterworks. We admire their enterprise, particularly when it is known that an indebtedness of $ 17,700 now rests against the municipality.

—Brussels having adopted electric light, has taken up her street lamps and stored them carefully away.

—The Reading Room at the town hall is pretty well patronized. Many others might, however, take advantage of it. It is well supplied with papers and magazines and is open to the public nightly.

Auction Sale Register.

Persons ordering sale bills at the FREE PRESS office will receive a free notice like the following, up to date of sale. The FREE PRESS has the largest circulation in this vicinity:—

SATURDAY, 25TH APRIL.—Sale of household furniture, the property of Mr. Wm. Ramsey, at his residence, opposite Holmes' butcher shop, Acton. Sale at 6 o'clock p.m. WM. HEMSTEET, Auctioneer.

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