

BORN.  
Anne—in Action, on New Year's Day, the wife of John Anne, of a son.  
Doris—at Bone Creek, N.W.T., on the 19th, Nov., 1902, John Owen, of a son.  
Mortice—In Newmarket, on the 21st Dec., the wife of Duncan McGregor, of a son.  
Baby—On Thursday, 24th December, the wife of Mr. A. C. Hall, of a daughter.

#### MARRIED.

Burke—Dowling, on Friday, Jan. 1st, 1903, at the Hotel Royal, Guelph, N. S., John McMillan, Alexander F. Dowling, of a daughter, Alice.  
Dunn—At the Manse, on the 17th Dec., Rev. M. G. Dunn, to Jessie, daughter of George Dunn, of Newsgate.  
McLellan—In Action, on the 1st Dec., the residence of Mr. Edward Clancy, 12, on the corner of Peel St. and King St., Guelph.  
John Hart, Woodcock, John McIntyre, of London, Ont., daughter of John and Anna Hart, of London.  
Nutting—In Georgetown, on New Year's Day, William Nutting, son of Edward Nutting, of Guelph, and Anna, daughter of Robert Duxbury, of Guelph.  
Knight—Graham, at Elgin Hall, the residence of the bride's father, on the 2nd of December, Rev. Mr. J. S. Fisher, of Arthur, assistant Vicar, to Anna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. G. Cullen, 110, of Elgin, Ont., daughter of Rev. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cullen, second daughter of James Graham, of Elgin, Ont.

#### DIED.

Baby—in Action, on the 1st January, the infant daughter of Miss Harry, aged two years.

### The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 1892.

#### NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Icelanders in the North-west are doing so well that a movement is on foot to bring more people from that region to the Dominion. The population of Ireland amounts to about 75,000, of which the capital, Reykjavik, comprises not more than 3,000. In this population, it is said, less to say, there is ample room in Western Canada, and to Canada those who look to emigration as the only cure for their ill would naturally wish to come.

The wheat crop of all Canada in 1892 was set down by one authority at 50,231,412 bushels, and by another at 40,275,654 bushels. Last year the wheat crop of Manitoba and the Northwest is nearly 30,000,000 bushels, and of Ontario 32,584,492 bushels, so that taking no account of Quebec and the Atlantic and Pacific Provinces, the wheat crop of 1891 is 23,000,000 bushels better than the wheat crop of 1890.

The Dominion Statistician has issued the third census bulletin. It deals with the population of the three Maritime Provinces, the figures being given by groups of constituencies and sub-districts. Of the counties thus grouped sixteen show decreases and twenty eight increases in population. Taking the three Provinces together the population increased 15.3 per cent. in 1881 as compared with 1871, and barely 1.2 per cent. in 1891 as compared with 1881.

It is rumored that Mr. John Waldegrave, except the nomination of the Reform Party, but we understand pressure to bring him to accept his refusal. The Patriarch of Industry candidate is at work and holding meetings at some points in the country. In an interview with the *Windsor Star* Mr. James Beatty, Q.C., Toronto, said: "There is some talk of my running to Hamilton."

At the recent Hindoo national congress resolutions were adopted affirming the necessity of establishing a colonial legislature for India, in which the people of Hindostan shall be represented and that a reduction be made in the army expenditures. It is evident that as the Hindoo masses become educated the demands for home rule for the empire will increase, and the task of governing such a vast population by a visionary and an irresponsible council will become more difficult.

The first case on record in which an Indian has sought relief from matrimonial torts in divorce has occurred in Chambal, S. I. A Sioux Indian asked the white man's judge to release him from his spouse because she was a dangerous woman to live with. She had attempted to burn him with an ax. The judge granted the divorce. That Indian has departed far, indeed, from the cause of his fathers. In those days he would have snatched the axe and brained her. An Indian public sentiment would have easily justified him in this effectual method of getting a divorce.

Farm machinery did not come into general use until farmers were convinced by their own eyes that it would lessen materially the cost of production. So it is with roads. Whenever farmers are convinced that good roads will lessen the cost of production they will take steps to create them. Roads and canals in Hindostan France and Germany. The action of some of the neighboring township councils in adopting the plan of performing road work by contract, instead of by statute labor as at present, will have a tendency to encourage better roads.

As might be expected from the bad harvest in Great Britain, the condition of trade there is much worse than it is with us. The official returns show that owing to the crop failures the imports of food into Great Britain for the month of November last exceed in value those for November 1890, by £4,077,651, and for the first eleven months of the year there are £9,464,858, in excess of those of last year during the same months. At the same time the exports of home-manufactured products for this November are less than those of November, 1890, by £2,234,004, and for the first eleven months of the year £14,727,722, less, showing a decrease either of productive capacity or of foreign demand.

The death roll for 1892 contains the names of many remarkable men and women. In the list must be placed the names of Kinglake, the British Historian; Emma Abbott, the famous socialist; Gen. Broadcroft, the United States Historian; Kaleda, King of the Sandwich Islands; Abdurrahman Khan, Amir of Afghanistan; William Windom, secretary of the United States Treasury; Chas. Bradlaugh, the noted British atheist; Adm. Porter, of the United States navy; Gen. Wm. Tecumseh Sherman, of the United States army; Prince Napoleon Bonaparte; Gen. Johnston, of the United States Confederacy; Bernam, the great showman; Von Moltke, the planner of the Franco-Prussian war; Archbishop Magee, prime minister of Bengal; Mme. Blavatsky, head of the Theosophical Society; Sir John Macdonald, Conservative leader in Canada; B. J. Lowry, historian; James Russell Lowell, novelist and poet; Geo. Jones, veteran New York Journalist; Belzoni, the defeated collector of Chilli; Gen. Boulanger, the Frenchman; Max, eccentric King of Wurtemberg; Wm. Henry Smith, First Lord of the English Treasury; Charles Stewart Parnell and Sir John Pope Hennessy.

Minard's Liniment cures Diphtheria.

### THE MEN WHO WON.

An Exciting Contest in Which All the "Rings" are Broken up.

#### OUTSIDE MUNICIPALITIES.

For about two weeks it has been conceded that the municipal contest here on Monday will be one of the most exciting and keenly fought in the history of Acton. The members of the old Council were anxious for re-election, and felt pretty confident that the ballot boxes would prove them all victorious. The manufacturers' candidates were equally certain that their ticket would be elected with a good majority at their backs. In this conclusion both the parties were disappointed, for the returns given below show that it was the pleasure of the electorate to select two men from each party and thus annihilate the combined forces of both. It must be admitted, however, that the manufacturers' nominees were more successful than their opponents. Messrs. Second and Boardman were not only elected, but Mr. Harvey, one of the men of their second choice—which also a member of the old Council—was elected at the head of the poll. Mr. Pearson, who so zealously guarded the treasury, except in Park expenditures, last year, was given last place in the race among those who won a seat on the Council Board.

The vote was the largest ever given at any municipal election here. Last year 115 ballots were cast in polling subdivision No. 1, and 131 in No. 2; a total of 247. On this occasion there were 271 votes polled—124 in No. 1, and 147 in No. 2.

Though the contest was exciting, no ill will was manifested and the best of good-natured competition prevailed during the day.

The electors generally are well pleased with the result. We have a very good Council, and although there are likely to be differences of opinion on certain questions, it is hoped that harmony and good feeling will prevail, and the business of the municipality be transacted in a manner calculated best for all concerned.

The result of the polling is as follows:—

No. 1, No. 2, total.

John Harvey ..... 77 131

Alex. Second ..... 65 80

A. O. Boardman ..... 65 100

H. J. Pearson ..... 68 142

George Hay ..... 59 71

J. H. Anderson ..... 60 121

John Kenney ..... 44 58

Others ..... 271

The Council for the present year will be:—

REPE.—Dr. Lowry.

COUNCILORS.—John Harvey, Alex. Second, A. O. Boardman and J. H. Pearson.

The Public School Board will include

Messrs. George Hynds, R. Holmes and Rev. G. B. Cooke, with Messrs. T. H. Harding, James McLam and Robert Walace, who were elected last year.

It was six o'clock before the result of the election was ascertained and by this time a very large number of electors and citizens had assembled in the town hall. Speeches were called for and several of the successful candidates responded in brief addresses.

Mr. Harvey thanked the electors for placing him at the head of the poll as they had done the previous year. He felt that very little was necessary to be said and thought he could promise a clean sheet at the end of the year.

Mr. Second also thanked the electors for placing him in so gratifying a position. He did not expect to be placed so near the top, but duly appreciated the confidence of the people and promised to fulfill the duties of the office, to the best of his ability to the end of the chapter.

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Mr. Pearson, who headed the poll for Hamilton, Jair, while Lottidge and Douglas were committed, the other day and had a close with Douglas. He is a chap, well built young Indian. Bad company has got him into the present inevitable situation. He was asked to go for a walk with Bartram and the others on the night of the murder but claimed to have had no idea of the intention of burglarizing the Headop homestead. Douglas expects his action of turning Queen's evidence will secure his pardon.

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