

THE METHODIST CHURCH
ACTON.

REV. JOSEPH EDGE
PASTOR.

Parsonage, Doctor Avenue.
Public Services 10 a.m., 4:45 p.m., Sunday
School & Bible Class conducted by the
pastor, personally taught.

Visitors and visitors always welcome. At
anywhere else the door.

BANK OF HAMILTON.
HEAD OFFICE - HAMILTON.

CASH PAID UP..... \$1,000,000.
RESERVE FUND..... \$100,000.

J. TURNBULL
CASHIER.

DIRECTOR - JOHN STEWART, President; A.
J. KELLY, Vice-President; JOHN PRACTIC, CHAIR-
MAN; GEO. MACLACHLAN, A. T. WOOD, A. B. LACE.

GEORGETOWN AGENCY.
Now discontinued and withdrawn made on all
accounts of the Bank of Hamilton, now part of the
Bank of the United States. Other parts of the
Bank of the United States bought and sold.
Collection of all accounts payable on
most favorable terms.

SAVINGS DEPARTMENT.

Deposits of \$1 and upwards, and in
terms also from date of deposit to date of
withdrawal required.

SPESIAL DEPOSITS

Also received at current rates of interest.
No notice of withdrawal required.

J. M. ROY, Agent

THANKS

With the advent of the New Year
it is our pleasure to thank our
many friends for their kind favours
during the year just closing and
with each and all a happy and
prosperous

NEW YEAR.

It will be our aim in the future
as ever to keep our store the Head-
quarters for Watches, Clocks,
Jewellery, Silverware, school books
and stationery, Wedding & Birth-
day presents.

Sign of the Big Watch.

GEO. HYND, ACTON, ONT.

The Action Free Press.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 1897

LITTLE LOCAL BRIEFLETS

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

-Last year now offers its opportunity.
-The Public Schools re-opened Monday
morning.

-The Farmers' Institute is in session in
the town hall.

-The snow storm yesterday gave very
fair skiing.

-The near belfry of Lorne Public School
now contains a fairly good-sized bell.

-New Year was a bright, pleasant, but
very quiet day. The callers were few.

-Mr. Alex. Leahy was elected to the
Lorne School Board last week by acclamation.

-The township of Nelson spent \$15 for
charity; \$35.98 for sheep killed by dogs
last year.

-There has been some splendid skating
the past week and the boys and girls have
enjoyed it.

-The Erin Advocate is to be located at
Palmerston. A new paper will shortly be
issued every week.

-Many subscribers are renewing their
subscriptions to the Free Press very
promptly. Have you done so yet?

-A single drop of printer's ink will make
a thousand readers think. Try it in an
attractive Free Press advertisement.

-Mr. R. E. Nelson headed the poll in
his ward, in Guelph. The Free Press
congratulates you, Alderman Nelson.

-Guelph's financial statement shows
that there are 17,988.01 of arrears of taxes.
Some arrears extend back into 1887.

The old year was a very good one,
but there is now a golden opportunity to
decide that this year shall be a better one.

The Free Press carries boys desire to
tender their thanks to their many friends
for their liberal treatment on New Year's
Day.

-Children under sixteen are not allowed
to loiter on the streets in Gravenhurst
after 8 p.m. A by-law has been passed to
that effect.

The Free Press had fifty-three
editions last year. This unusual circumstance
was owing to the fact that the year
began on Thursday and ended on Thursday.

The Conservatives of the County of
Halton will meet in Convention at Milton
next Tuesday afternoon for the purpose of
selecting a candidate for the coming bye-
election.

The by-law, for \$19,000 to extend the
workmen's law, was defeated on Monday
by a vote of 415 to 667. The local
improvement by-law was also defeated by
562 to 717.

Rev. Joseph Edge will deliver his
lecture on "Canada and the Canadians,"
on Friday evening, the 15th inst., at the
Methodist Church, under the auspices of the
Epworth League.

The team of Mr. J. Hainer, Esquerring,
ran away on Bower Avenue with a load
of apples one day last week. The team was
stopped on Willow street. Apples were
stolen all along the street.

Mr. G. C. Clark and one of the
principal candidates had rather an unsuccess-
ful night on Mill street on Monday after-
noon. The wheel of the carriage came off,
but as the horse was a quiet one no damage
was sustained.

The Renfrew Mercury says the first
lecture in life of Judge Johnson, of Guelph,
was at the age of 18, as editor of newspaper
in the village. Judge Johnson learned the
art of printing, serving his apprenticeship
in the old British Standard office in Perth.

"O where is my boy to-night?" How
many parents ask this question? How
many parents really know where
their boy and girls are after nightfall?
Secrets of them may be found on the streets
at night and the conduct of many is not
such as parents generally would appreciate.

The Free Press is a receipt of a very
pretty and useful souvenir from the
Moxley Times, Toronto. It is a morocco
bound vest-pocket size with calendar for
1892 and interesting memoranda. The
Moxley Times in its 25th year and
maintains its high position in the financial
world.

Quitting Disease by Electricity at
Home. As per advertisement it will be
seen that a representative electrician of
the Dominion Electric Co. Ltd. Toronto
will be at Campbell's Hotel on Monday, 11
January, where he can be consulted with
about the self cure of all maladies; nervous
and chronic diseases. Now the afflicted
have an opportunity of getting a free and
prompt relief of their trouble—his
say, "I don't care if I die."

Oysters, fruits, peels and confectionery
at T. H. Hawkes' Grocery.

Geatlemen requiring artistic overcoats,
suits, or trousers should call at B. Nicklin's.

If you want dress-jas. Gouffé suits and
dresses at Gouffé prices, T. Ensign
will fill your order at his plasing mill.

D. Stroog, L.D.S., will insert teeth at
65 and 85 per set for next three months.

Extraction of teeth at \$100, 90, and \$10
for the best short, humorous article, story,
poem, narrative or character sketch sent
me before March 1, 1897. The prize will
be awarded not so much on literary merit,
as upon the originality and interest of the
composition.

Preferential writer being defrauded
is a fair field for all of a literary
man. If you are a writer, bring your article
to me, and I will be pleased to consider
it.

Ask your druggist for Dr. Adelphi's
Saponum Soap for the skin.

THE NEWS AT HOME.

Mostly of Local Character, and
Every Item Interesting.

Temperance Conventions.

The Milton District of the Methodist
Church will hold temperance convention
in Milton, on Tuesday, January 12, 1897.
Three sessions will be held during the day.
Papers and addresses will be given by
eminent temperance workers in the district.
Discussion is invited on all matters.

Interesting Piece Desired.

Let every subscriber who learns of any
local occurrence in his or her neighborhood
tell down the particulars and send them to
the Free Press. All such are ever
useful if reliable. Never mind the spelling,
writing or composition. Do the best you
can. Give as the particular in your own
words and in your own way, just the same
as if you were writing a letter to a friend,
and we will do the rest.

Classification Circle.

The officers of Acton Circle were
installed at the first meeting as follows:—
Leader—Mrs. J. M. Miller.
Vice-Leader—Mrs. L. Francis.
Secretary—L. G. Matthews.
Treasurer—P. McLean.
Captain—Mr. J. Williams.
Lieutenant—Mr. S. Scott.
Warden—Mrs. A. Scott.
Guard—Mrs. Thos. Elliott.
Med. Exam.—Dr. Lovett.

Almost an Explosion.

The beautiful residence of ex-Reverend
Storey, Sunderland Villa, narrowly escaped
serious injury on Sunday morning. From
some reason the steam boiler was found to
be without water and with a strong fire
at the time the situation was looked upon
as a very precarious one. The fire was at
once drawn, and it was seen that the flues
were badly burned out. The repairs
occupied about twenty-four hours, and
during the very inclemency weather of the
interval there was "fire" in the house,
except in the greater. The family are to
be congratulated upon their escape from
disastrous consequences.

An Editor in the Pulpit.

The pulpit of the Methodist Church was
occupied last Sunday by Mr. Robert
Holmes, the talented editor of the Ontario
New Era. Mr. Holmes preached in the
morning the subject of "Faith" and in
the evening his topic was "Repentance." His
sermons were clear and able expositions
of the portions of the Word of God upon
which they were based, showed careful
study, and personal experience of the subjects
presented, and were treated from a
business man's standpoint. Mr. Holmes
is a most acceptable preacher, possesses a
good voice, distinct enunciation and quite
a classical education. He is almost
constantly in demand as a lay preacher.

The Farmers' Institute will meet this
Saturday, Prof. Shaw, Geo. Ollins and T. G.
Raynor will be the principal speakers.

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