

BORN.

NEWBORN.—In Acton, on the 6th February, the wife of Mr. George Soper, of a son.
HENDERSON.—On the 1st February, the wife of Mr. James Henderson, Milton, of a daughter.

MARRIED.

BUTTER—McFARREY.—At the residence of the bride's father, Feb. 6th, by Rev. J. W. McFarrey, all of Erin.
HENRY—ARMSTRONG.—At 46 Mainland street, Toronto, at the residence of W. H. Andrew, in the Henry Arms Hotel, Charlesbridge, to Ada, youngest daughter of the late John S. Armstrong, of Brampton.

DIED.

KANSER.—In Acton, on the 6th February, Daniel Kanser, aged 70 years, 7 months.
LAWRENCE.—In Acton, on the 6th February, Mary wife of John Lawrence, aged 70 years.
ARMSTRONG.—In Acton, on the 6th February, Bertha, wife of Edward Armstrong, aged 70 years.

The services of Toronto, on the 8th February, Mrs. Estelle Thurston, daughter of Christopher Massey, Acton, aged 21 years, 6 months.

GUTHRIE.—At his residence, Howesburn, Guelph, Ontario, on the 6th February, his wife, Elizabeth, widow of James Goldie, Esq., aged 70 years.

HOGG.—At St. Clair, Mich., on the 6th February, Jane McMillan Hogg, relict of the late Mr. John Hogg, D. D., formerly pastor of St. Andrew's Church, Guelph.

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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The U. S. Congress shows a disposition to act on the suggestion relative to safety appliances for railroad cars, such as will prevent accidents to brakemen and other employees. Three bills have been offered in the House, and measures to follow through investigation of the subject meet with favor. By and bye, this desirable reform will be brought about.

Some interesting statistics of the work of the Montreal Clearing House are given. The total clearing for 1891 amounted to \$314,007,000. This figure is exceeded by only nine cities in North America though Montreal stands only fifteenth in the number of its population. The increase in transactions in 1891 over 1890 is \$10,000,000.

No New Brunswick practice of law is said to be no longer a money-making profession. There is less litigation and fewer heavy cases in the province than there were thirty years ago. The result is that many who have studied law now look to other sources for a living. In Ontario there is a general impression that the lawyers get the best slice of all that is going.

Harmour has it that Mr. Blake has determined to re-enter the House of Commons, not as a follower of Mr. Laurier or a supporter of the policy of the Opposition, but as an independent Liberal. It is said that he purposed striking out on new lines of policy, and that he will freely express his opinions and convictions on all public questions wholly regardless of the consequences to either of the old parties.—*Mail.*

There are now two vacancies in the Ontario Assembly. North Renfrew is without representation in that body owing to the untimely death of Mr. Dunlop, and Kingston has become vacant by Mr. McColl's resignation to become a candidate for the House of Commons. As the legislature will meet this afternoon at three o'clock the by-elections to fill the vacancies will not be held until Tuesday, Feb. 23d.

The *Champion* says:—Mr. McGregor's weakness was not in himself. The trouble with him was that he represented a losing ticket and it is doubtful whether anyone else could have made as good fight if it or polled as many votes as that ticket had. Had he elected he would have represented Halton well; but Halton will have no reason to be ashamed of Mr. Henderson, the representative she has chosen. He is a man of exceptional ability who made this apparent during the two sessions in which he figured at Ottawa and may be expected to do it again.

Ten electrical tabulating machines are now in operation in the census branch at Ottawa. There has been great competition among the young ladies employed in the branch to be placed in charge of the machines. Mr. Johnson awarded the care of nine instruments to a corresponding number of the fair sex, and then had great difficulty in deciding about the tenth. Finally he decided to hold a time test in addition, similar to those held by the civil service examiners in Great Britain. The various ones were given three sets of 32 lines of five figures each to add up, and the successful competitor did the threestums correctly in five minutes.

The highest court of the United States has read the death warrant of the Louisiana Lottery. It was the last hope of this country that the postal act of Congress against the traffic would be held unconstitutional and set aside. The Supreme Court declared it unconstitutional and hence in full force. The law is stringent and sweeping. It was necessary to make it so to render it of any effect against the evil at which it was aimed. It closes the mail to all lottery communications, letters, postals, circulars, tickets, money orders, drafts, etc. It makes it a criminal offence for any person connected with the lottery to mail such matter, or for any person to mail money for a ticket. It declares newspapers containing lottery advertisements or any announcements of drawings unlawful mail matter. The Postmaster General is empowered to direct any local postmaster not to deliver registered letters to any person or correspondence in the lottery traffic or any agent of such company.

In commenting upon the recent election in this county the *Milton Reformer* addresses its readers as follows:—Now, to the future. It seems to us that the Liberal party in Halton should be reorganized on a new basis, and take in anybody and everybody opposed to the present policy of the Dominion government. Let the Patrons unite their forces with the Liberal party, and fight shoulder to shoulder with them for the attainment of their platform, so nearly identical with that of the Reform party. With an organization on that basis, and a systematic course adopted in regard to holding public meetings throughout the country from time to time, and thus thoroughly arousing the people to the importance of having a change of government at Ottawa, we believe Halton can be won back to her allegiance to the Liberal party, and take a stand for pure and honest government. And the work of re-organization should begin at once. The sooner the better." It is to be feared the Liberals generally will not fall in very heartily with the Patrons as to union with the Patrons of Industry, after the experience of the '80s.

Little dimes are golden pins to fasten the mantle of God's love securely about us.

THE COUNTRY AROUND.

News Items Supplied by Correspondents and Exchanges.

ROCKWOOD.

D. D. G. M. Egger pays his last official visit to Rockwood Lodge A.C.U.W. on Friday evening next before going to Grand Lodge next week. There will no doubt be a number of Guelph brethren present.

The Prince of Wales, it is said, wants to adopt his dead son's name.

The Central in the rink (under the auspices of the Band) on Tuesday evening was well attended. The skaters had a jolly time. Goodwill and Action were represented.

The Epoch League will shortly visit Guelph.

Rev. Dr. Stratton is preaching for Rev. J. W. Reid, Action, in his special service this week:

ERIN.

Mr. W. Hall, our new editor, is already advertising his butchering business for sale.

Mr. D. Craig, the well-known cattle dealer at present ill with congestion of the lungs. His mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Craig are both down with grip at their home in Brantford.

Married at the residence of the bride's parents, Brantford, on the 3rd inst. by Rev. J. Ball, Mr. S. McDonald to Miss P. McDonald, both of Brantford.

The Erin Woolen Factory opened its doors last week a full force of employees after undergoing necessary repairs during the past month.

Mr. D. McCormick sold his plating factory at Orangeville first last week.

Mr. Murdoch took a spinet piano the same day last week, disfiguring the action at almost every strike until the shaffate gave way and freed the frightened animal from the vehicle, when he came to half little the worse.—*Advertiser.*

MILTON.

Principal Gray was absent last week attending the funeral of his aged father.

Rev. Dr. Shaw preached the annual missionary sermon in the Methodist Church on Sunday.

Mr. Wm. Clements has been appointed assessor, Mr. Rich. Horneffer, St. Collector, and Messrs. Clements, Jas. Hollister and A. McKinley a Board of Health.

One of Mr. D. W. Campbell's horses, driven by his son, ran away last week, missing a circuit of Main and Martin streets, and around by the mill. After succeeding tolerably well in demolishing the cattle it caught at the old hotel sheds near the town hall. Fortunately no one was hurt.

Early one morning last week night watchmen Donkin saw flames leaping in rear of the Wallace House. He immediately rang the fire alarm and the brigades responded with their usual promptness.

The fire was quickly drowned out and was confined to the outhouse in which it originated.—*Advertiser.*

GEORGETOWN.

It looks like a quiet town. And nothing occurs of note. And bullet means a little yell. And bullet means a little yell.

Fair day last Friday.

Good Friday comes April 15th.

Mr. John Harley is able to be out again.

Mr. Jackson of Guelph preached in the Methodist Church, Sunday morning.

Rain, hail, snow, thunder, lightning, fire, frost, and a gale. Not a bad record for Feb. 7th.

The Heintzman Piano Co., have again opened out a assortment of their elegant instruments. This time in the McKinley block.

Fair day in town was a day of unusual business activity. Besides the two sales of real estate mentioned in our last, there is a current rumor that an Esquiring farmer did sell a pig on the market.

The fire company were out for practice on Saturday afternoon. There is no doubt now but that we are the people, as far as fire protection goes. Some fine execution was done on a mock fire, but on a real window at the High School.

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SAD AFFAIR AT FERGUS.

A Young Man Killed and His Father Injured Through Coal-

Friars, Feb. 9.—A sad coal accident happened here this afternoon about 1.30 to a farmer named Joseph Hall of Guelph, and his son, aged about 17, who has lost his life. They were going up Town street hill with their team, when they encountered some boys coming down the hill on a hand sleigh. The horses took fright, throwing both father and son out of the sleigh, and ran away. The young man was taken to Dr. Johnson's surgery, where he died in about two hours afterwards from the injuries received. It is not known yet what injures Mr. Hall has sustained. He was found to his home near Woodstock.

John McGregor, of Petrolia, was killed while crossing the railway track in a buggy near Bridgeton. John Morrison, his companion, was badly injured.

Mr. Wilson, Conservative, was elected in Lennox County Majority by 51 majority, and Mr. Miller, Conservative, was re-elected by Prince Edward County by 210 majority.

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COSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice having had place in his hands by an East India missionary, the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption. Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all throat and Lung affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, plus many other diseases, including consumption, rheumatism, sciatica, neuralgia, and inflamed breast, and kidney complaints, by the introduction of the therapeutic and effective remedy, Dr. Thomas' Emetic Oil.

Really Cheap.

Cough, colds, sore throat and many painful affections are easily caught in this changeable climate. The never-failing remedy is fast & easily obtained in Haynes' Yellow Oil, which is undoubtedly the best of all the many remedies offered for the cure of colds or pain.

Painted Burns, Bruises, Sores and cuts.

For cuts, bruises, burns, sores and cuts, paint them quickly and healed by Victor Catholic Salve.

For coughs, colds, bronchitis and all lung and throat troubles, there is no preparation or medicine can compare with Bickie's Anti-Consumptive Syrup. It never fails to afford prompt and permanent relief. It removes all phlegm, and heals the diseased part. It immediately soothes the most troublesome cough, and by promoting expectoration, removes the mucus which stops up the air tubes which cause difficulty in breathing, thereby gives relief to that depressing tightness experienced in the chest. Public speakers and singers will find Bickie's Anti-Consumptive Syrup of inestimable value, as it is speedy and effectively relieves all irritation, and business in the throat and bronchial tubes, and gives power to the vocal cords, rendering the voice clear and sonorous. It parents with to save the lives of their children, and themselves from much anxiety, trouble and expense, let them procure a bottle of Bickie's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, and whenever a child takes cold, has a cough or hoarseness, give the Syrup according to directions.

Red, Worse, Worse.

Cold, cough, consumption, to cure the first and second and prevent the third.

Hayward's External Balsam, the never-failing family medicine, for all diseases of the throat, lungs and chest. A marvel of healing in pulmonary complaints.

Prompt, Potent, and permanent results always done from Milburn's Aromatic Quinine Wine.

Sometimes Naughty,

Sometimes Nice.

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Parties thinking about winter clothing should call and inspect the stock of B. Nicklin before purchasing elsewhere.

The Third page of the *Toronto Daily Mail* is noted for "Want" advertisements.

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