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ACTON.**

REV. JOSEPH EDGE, Pastor.
Parochy: Lower Avenue.
Public School: 10 Xmas. and 15 June. Sunday School: 10. Both Classes conducted by the pastor. All specially invited.

Strangers and visitors always welcome. All enter gratis at the door.

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HEAD OFFICE - HAMILTON.
CAPITAL FIVE CT. \$10,000.
RESERVE FUND - \$10,000.
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commercial debts. Drifts on all parts of CANADA
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the CONVENTION FOR EXCHANGES, and
GALT. All money remitted to us will receive
most favorable rates.

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withdrawal.

SPECIAL DEPOSITS.

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GEO. HYNDNS, Actor, Ont.

The Actor Free Press.

THURSDAY, MAY, 5, 1892.

LITTLE LOCAL BRIEFLETS

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

- Test all wheat is looking fine now.

- To-morrow is Arbor Day for the public schools.

- Guelph's vote of taxation this year will be \$22 million.

- The April showers seem to have been belated this year.

- Gardening is now receiving a good deal of attention.

- Big excitement at Matthews' Hardware Store, Georgetown. Headache.

- Spare the advertisement and poll the business, is the latest axiom.

- Another addition of \$600 is being paid to Boardman & Co's sole leather tannery.

- Mr. John Lawson, carpenter, is building a house on the corner of Elgin and Argyle streets.

- Mr. Wm. Gurney is building an addition and otherwise improving his dwelling on Church street.

- Mr. Adam Cook is competing his contract of last year at the Park. He is grading the west end.

- Rev. Stephen Kiong, Toronto, preached in the Congregational Church, Churchill, on Sunday afternoon last.

- D. Henderson, M. P. is engaged to take part in the campaign in the interests of W. F. McLean in East York.

- The Peel Agricultural Association held its Spring Fair at Brampton Thursday. It was considered the best ever held in that county.

- The semi-annual meeting of the executive of the Provincial Sabbath School Association will be held in Toronto tomorrow.

- The showers of the present week have wonderfully advanced vegetation. Coming just after seeding they were unusually acceptable.

- The bell in the tower of the First Baptist Church, Guelph, is to be used as a fire alarm, and the sexton will receive \$25 a year for ringing it.

- Some careless boys have a habit of whipping maple shade trees on the streets and otherwise meddling with them. This should be discontinued.

- The Sons of Scotland will attend Knox Church in a body next Sunday evening. Rev. J. W. Lee will preach a special sermon to the brethren.

- The Perkins Guards has changed ranks. Mr. Mackintosh of Meaford, having gone into the business. He will assume full control and management next week.

- May is the month of flowers, and soon we may expect to see them springing into bloom on every hand, while the dainty odors will steal through the soft and balmy air.

- Knox Church anniversary on Sunday and Monday, 12th and 13th inst. Rev. Dr. Fraser's lecture on "Egypt" in connection with the lecture on "The Holy Land" on Monday evening will be well worth the patronage of the public.

- The last issue of the Miller Gazette records the fact of Mr. Arthur Lang's success at "C" School, Toronto, during the last term. His standing is gold, having secured a second class certificate and he is qualified for the position of Lieutenant G. Evans, also of the 20th Batt., secured similar standing.

- The quarterly communion services in the Methodist Church last Sunday were well attended. The number of communicants was in excess of any previous Sunday during the conference year. Three adult baptisms were performed. The first year's pastoral of Rev. J. Edge has been eminently successful.

- The Huron Orpheans - The Acton Free Press, edited and published by H. V. Moore, is the latest addition to our exchange file. It is certainly among the leading local papers in Canada. For neatness it is not to be excelled, and its variety and collection of news and advertisements, is equal to journals representing places much larger than Acton.

- The Graybill Manufacturing Co., of Waterloo, enjoy a wide reputation for excellence in office desks and school furniture. And they will make it all the work they turn out as well-furnished, convenient and modern in style and appearance as the flat top, rotary desk supplied the Free Press last week. It is a beautiful piece of workmanship and commands the admiration of every visitor to our exchange. For comfort, and at the same time, commodious arrangement, it is a peer.

- Just arrived a fine assortment of Flower Pots - at T. H. Hanson's Grocery.

THE NEWS AT HOME.

Mostly of a Local Character, and Every Item Interesting.

Baptist Special Services.

The special services in the Baptist Church closed on Tuesday evening with a baptismal service, when four candidates were immersed. The services have been full of interest throughout and were very well attended.

Next to Toronto Hospital.

Last week Edward Dykes, who was so seriously injured a few weeks ago, was taken to Toronto General Hospital. In his home here his surroundings were not conducive to a speedy recovery, and no suitable nurse could be secured. Mrs. Lowry in behalf of the Council took the care of him removal to the hospital. Dr. Uren took him to the city on Saturday evening, to be hoped the change will be beneficial.

Hilton's Births, Marriages and Deaths.

The annual report of the Register-General of births, marriages and deaths has been received. There were 47,753 births, 14,403 marriages and 21,013 deaths in Ontario last year. Of this number Hilton contributed 457 births, 137 marriages and 153 deaths. The ratio of birth to the population in the province was 27.4; of marriages, 10.6 and of deaths 18.0. In this county the ratio was 30.1, 5.5 and 8.9 respectively. Our death rate was over 20 per cent. lower than the average.

Mr. G. T. R. Hoyt's of the County.

Last Saturday the following notice was given to the public along the lines of the Hamilton and North Western division of the Grand Trunk Railway:-

Hamilton, May 2, the train leaving

Hamilton at 1.45 p.m. for Guelph and the

for Hamilton will discharge stopping at

Stewartson, Woodstock, Zimmerman,

Acton and Burlington.

This step is taken in retaliation for the well-known action of the County Council against the G. T. R. The agents along the line were instructed to sell no tickets to the points named, and the order went into effect on Mayday. This dog-in-the-manger business puts a considerable section of the county to great inconvenience, and Hamilton merchants claim that it will affect their business more seriously than any other, and the Board of Trade of the city is moving to have the former time table restored.

The Annual Conference.

The ninth session of the Guelph Conference of the Methodist Church will be held in the Norfolk Street church, Guelph, beginning on Thursday, June 2nd, at 11 a.m.

The programme of services has been arranged from which we glean the following:-

- The Rev. Dr. Carman will preach the ordination sermon on Sunday, June 5th at 11 a.m. Rev. J. W. Holmes at 7 p.m.

The posters are now announcing the Bloomsbury Queen's Birthday Celebration.

THE COUNTRY AROUND.

News Items Supplied by Correspondents and Exchanges.

ERIN.

The annual meeting of the Mechanics' Institute was held on Monday evening.

The W. M. S. of Burt's Church, Erin, will give an interesting entertainment in the Temperance Hall, on the evening of the 24th of May. The White Rose, and other talents will be present.

The village now has an enthusiastic foot team.

Last Thursday Archibald Sanders was playing with some children opposite T. Cerber's store. A brick bat was thrown thoughtlessly by him, which bounded off the sidewalk and struck one of the large plates of plate glass in Mr. Cerber's store. It was broken at \$10.

Mr. A. D. McLean had his son lost behind the school house to Mr. Wm. Justice, for \$100.

It is said we are to have a photographer in our town. Doctors and dentists are also prospecting here.

KNATCHBULL.

The recent rains have caused the fields to put on a more beautiful appearance, the grass that was sown first, has shown itself the last few days. The grass also has started to show up. This will no doubt make some of the farmers a bit short of feed this spring feel thankful.

Mr. Thos. Wilson has fine cold this spring from the famous imported Clydesdale horse Castleford.

White, son of Mr. Wm. Anderson, Knatchbull, is improving and is on a fair way to recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Daniels, of Neoga, leave on Thursday for the old country to visit his mother and friends in England. May succeed a pleasant voyage accompanied them over the ocean.

Farmers are busy doing their gardening in this vicinity.

Mr. George Easterbrook, who has been laid up with inflammatory rheumatism, has also an abscess on his knee and will be laid up for some time.

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BURLINGTON.

A citizen of Hamilton recently purchased one hundred and forty acres of land on Burlington Plains, and has since been gratified to learn that a portion of the soil will yield to cultivation containing twenty-two percent of aluminum, fifty-four of silica, and fourteen of iron.

The village is fast putting on summer dress and budding promises are rapidly opening out into wreathed smiles of welcome to the large influx of summer visitors who are preparing to come to this delightful resort.

Some very desirable real estate has recently changed hands at good prices and other properties are being sought after, some of which will be sold in the near future.

The immediate necessities of our village are, 1st, an electric light system; 2nd, water works, and 3rd, electric street rail way. The whole could run from one century power. Here is a chance. Who will enter this great opportunity?

The health condition of the village is excellent, our health inspector abounding himself to be fully equal to the old one.

ROCKWOOD.

Mr. John Turner was visiting some of his old acquaintances in town last Friday.

The largest trout caught this season in this place was taken by Mr. John Glendinning last week. It weighed nearly one and a half pounds.

Among the names of successful competitors for the ministry in the Guelph Conference of the Methodist church is J. W. Kitching of Rockwood circuit.

The woollen mills appear to be doing a rushing business this spring. Most of the goods are on duty both day and night.

Messrs. M. P. Barry and Edward Hayes are confined to their respective homes with severe illness.

Mr. George Bolton has been appointed to the position of Trustee Officer of the public school. It is hoped that all children between the ages of eight and twelve years, who are seen daily rambling about the streets, will hereafter find a seat in the schools.

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