

**BORN.**  
Wm. H. Dugdale, on the 16th August, the wife of Wm. Dugdale, a daughter.  
Veronica, at Guelph, on the 17th Sept., the wife of J. Vandert, a daughter.  
Hattie, in Acton, on the 18th Sept., the wife of Mr. John H. Thompson, a daughter.  
Burke, in Guelph, on Sunday, September 18th, the wife of R. A. Knutte, a daughter.  
John, of Guelph, Ontario Agricultural College, a son.

#### MARRIED.

Lake, George, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Jonathan Lake, to Miss E. K. Lake, a recent book of marriage.  
Brown—At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. James Brown, in Guelph, on the 18th Sept., by Rev. Joseph Edge, of the Roman Catholic Church, to Anna, a daughter of the late Dr. Brown, Esq., &c., of Guelph.  
Stanford, William—At the first Methodist Church, in Guelph, on Saturday, September 18th, by Rev. F. F. Odeker, of Toronto, assisted by Rev. S. A. McDonald, Ira Stanford, of Toronto, to Elizabeth, a daughter of C. L. Wilson, Esq., of Guelph.

DIED.

Lorraine, a son, in action, on the 16th Sept., Charles Lorraine, a son, in action, on the 17th Sept., William Stewart, Jr., aged 40 years and 5 months.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1892.

A Word for Free Press Readers:

As previously announced the Free Press will on the 1st of January, 1893, adopt the "Cash in Advance" system in the matter of subscriptions and thus decrease the time from time to time so that all our subscribers will be prepared to help us carry out the new arrangement. We solicit the aid of all our subscribers, many of whom have been regular readers of the Free Press from the time it was first published ten years ago, and look upon it as an old and trusted friend, and one of the institutions closely connected with Acton's progress. The new plan will we are convinced be more satisfactory to all concerned.

#### NOTES AND COMMENTS.

There has been a great drop in the price of coal in the British markets and the loss of some of the Canadian ships have been very heavy. One western shipper last week bid enough coal on the stocks to lose him \$55,000 at the present ruling in England.

The election petition against the return of Wm. Pritham, M.P. for South Perth, was dismissed without costs at Stratford on Thursday, the petitioner stating that he was not in a position to establish the agency of the various persons who were charged in the particulars with the commission of corrupt acts. The cross petition against Mr. Trow was dismissed with costs.

The London Daily News prints a table of the British exports to America for the last three years, which shows that in August, 1890, the value of these exports was £1,193,000, in August, 1891, £1,238,000, and in August, 1892, £1,166,000. The New contend that, considering the decline in price making the volume of trade greater than it appears this year, the decline in trade as a consequence of the new American tariff is very slight.

Many Ontario newspapers are agitating for better country roads, as well as the Park Plaza, and all sorts of facts and figures are quoted to show how the roads may be improved, but if the local legislature will amend the municipal act so that the statutable shall be eliminated, and the road tax paid in money, to be expended under the direction of the township engineer, country roads will improve vastly. Statute labor is being reluctantly pronounced a farce by many of our contemporaries.

The population of Algoma increased by over sixty-nine per cent. during the last decade. This is a larger percentage than is recorded for any other section of Ontario, with the exception of Nipissing and East and West York, and is nearly sixty points above the average for the Province. In such rapid progress has been made must have something to recommend it, and should receive the attention of young farmers in the older sections of Ontario who are seeking new homes.

In the recent High School Primary, Leaving and Matriculation Examinations the largest total was scored by the Owen Sound Collegiate Institute, with a record of one hundred successful candidates. The highest percentage of success was achieved by the Port Elgin High School, which passed forty out of fifty candidates, or eighty per cent. of those who wrote; while for the whole of the Province taken together, the average of success was only thirty-four and one-third per cent. Is this merely a coincidence? or does education flourish best in northern latitudes?—Saxia Canadensis.

The Boston Transcript is entitled to the credit of being the only newspaper in the United States, so far as heard from, bold enough to put Canada's position in the cause of the rebellion, with which other governments have so far been concerned. That paper has been instrumental in getting our funds to make up our deficiency of \$2,000,000. Since the Iron Hall became insolvent the assignee has notified the subordinate organizations to forward all the funds they have on hand. The demand has been generally disobeyed. The members are quietly dividing up among themselves the surplus funds on hand, and when the day for settling up comes it will be found that the assets are even smaller than was expected. Within the last year or so many thousands of persons have been enlightened on financial matters, but they have paid dearly for it.

Newfoundland will find no obstacles placed in the way of their entrance into the Dominion, if, as seems likely, the people of that ancient colony have at least so far made up their minds to accept the standing invitation of Canada to do so. It appears that they were never very certain that the people of the United States were not more sincerely and unfeignedly favorable to them than to Canadians, but they were disengaged of that idea in the day of their trouble, when Canada rushed to their aid with a generosity of feeling, the sincerity and spontaneity of which could not for a moment be suspected. Canadians undoubtedly regard Newfoundlanders as "men of themselves," and they would join their kindred here in developing the resources of the island, as they hope their kindred would join them in developing a Canadian nation.—Witney.

#### GEORGIAN BAY BREEZES.

An Enjoyable Trip to Parry Sound and Various Points on the North Shore.

#### GENERAL REMINISCENCES.

Next in interest to a personal visit to places at a distance is a concise and well-told description of such a trip. As the rehearsal of various exploits of the editor have been so fully appreciated in the past it is proposed that the following will be pursued with some interest.

On the 22d August the writer in company with Rev. T. Albert Foy, of Niagara Falls, left for the field of Sunday School mission work. The theological allotted him a period of probation. The editor has been invited to the North Shore of the Georgian Bay west to Killarney, and Parry and the Christian Islands. To reach the work we took the G. T. V. to Orillia, where a few hours were pleasantly spent with friends, thence to Midland City one of the finest harbors on the Georgian Bay, that great arm of Lake Huron, almost rivalling the lake itself in extent. Here we beached the trim little steamer "Manitou" of the North Shore Navigation Co. for the run up the South Channel to Parry Sound. It is but just to say that the service given by this excellent craft, under the command and courteous attention of Capt. Bassett and Purser D. McQuade, is a credit to the company which controls her, and replies with comfort to the tourist or more matter of fact traveler. The route by way of the inland channel is charming, wildromantic and circles the keenest interest and pleasure of the voyager for every mile of the sixty to Parry Sound. A critical survey of the Bay has revealed between 27,000 and 30,000 islands within its bounds and in the channel referred to some 8,000 or 10,000 are to be observed. The course is chafed and frayed in a somewhat manner and the thousands of islands which beset the path of the steamer, with their diversified character of here a bare granite rock and there a beautifully wooded expanse of all shapes and sizes, command the constant gaze of all and bring forth successive expressions of surprise and admiration. Campers and summer residents inhabit hundreds of these islands during the season and their canvas tents and neat little cottages peep at you in every form of rusticity as the day goes by.

The Sunday School Convention the following day was well attended by representatives throughout the district and was quite successful. Various topics of value to Sunday School workers were discussed and the question of normal classes was given special prominence. This will no doubt be followed by a series of institutes to be held at intervals during the year. In addition to our delegation Mr. Alfred Day, the General Secretary of the Provincial Association, and Rev. R. J. M. Gleeson, of St. Catharines, were present and rendered very acceptable service. The evening address by Mr. Day on "Childhood, the battle ground of the Kingdom" was an able one and much enjoyed by the audience. During our stay we made several Sunday School workers were present and found to be universally anxious to do all in their power to lead the children to a knowledge of the Scriptures and through them to a life of trust in God. Many are working under great disadvantages but "Labor has sure reward." The visits of the missionaries has secured to the association much information which will lead to the bestowal of intelligent aid at the next meeting day.

On Thursday morning last we thanked our Parry Sound friends for their generous hospitality, bid adieu to the town and its pleasant associations, and took the steamer for Midland and thence by G. T. V. for home arriving shortly after tea the same evening.

#### JAMES TROW EX-M.P., DEAD.

Died in his Son's Office at Toronto, on Saturday.

Toronto, Sept. 12.—Mr. James Trow, of Stratford, for many years member for South Perth in the Dominion Parliament, a Liberal whip, died suddenly in this city Saturday morning.

For some time Mr. Trow has been suffering from heart disease and confined to bed, but had recently improved considerably.

He was a favorite in the medical profession, and was a member of the Royal College of Physicians of London.

He was a member of the Conservative party, and was a member of the Conservative club.

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