### BORN.

BLACK—At Pramosa, on the 26th January, the wife of James Black of a son.

KEITH—In Esquesing, on Monday 5th, Feb., the wife of Angus Keith, of a son.

FORSTER—In Oakville, on Sunday Jan 28th, the wife of Wm Forster, of a son.

LIVINGSTONE—At Speyside, on Friday 2nd Feb. the wife of John Livingstone, of a son.

BROWN—At Lapeing Dist on Wednesday 24th January, the wife of Mr B H Brown, of a son.

GILLILAND—In Oakville, on Monday, January 29 h, the wife of Chas Gilliland, of a daughter.

ROSSELL—At Saginaw, Mich., on Tuesday, 30th January, the wife of William Rossell, formerly of Acton, of a son.

BARNES—In Esquesing, on Friday 26th January, the wife of William Barnes of a daughter.

### MARRIED.

WATSON—MATTHEWS—At the residence of the bride's father, on Wednesday, 31th January, by Rev Thos Brandt, Charles Watson to Priscilla Jane, daughter of Mr Peter Matthews, all of Erin.

### DIED.

PRICE—In Esquesing, on Sunday 4th February, infant son of Charles Price, aged 1 month.

GARRETT—At Burlington, on Friday 2nd inst Elizabeth, relict of the late Arthur Garrick, aged 70 years.

LAMB—In Esquesing, on Friday, 2nd February, Mary Flinerty, widow of the late James Lamb, aged 96 years.

FERGUSON—In Erin, at the Residence of her nephew, Jas Hensley, on Sunday, 28th January, Miss Elizabeth Ferguson, aged 79 years.


# The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1894


## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Ontario has recorded a majority of from 70,000 to 80,000 in favor of Prohibition, by the plebiscite; a larger popular majority than any political party has ever had in a general election in the province. The politicians cannot very well now plead that the sentiment of the country is not ripe for Prohibition. *Sons of Temperance.*

Nominations for the Local Legislature are being made here and there and there are signs of political activity all along the line. Members of the cabinet are in the field early, the Minister of Education and the Provincial Treasurer having been renominated with becoming enthusiasm in their old constituencies last week.

Oakville's municipal governors evident ly do business on a big scale and are profitable to the bankers. Imagine Acton Council being obliged to pass a resolution like this to provide for "current expenses" "Reeve Martin introduced a by-law to authorize a loan for current expenses not to exceed four thousand dollars, which was read a first and a second time and referred to a committee of the whole, Ald Wales in the chair. The committee rose and chairman reported the by-law without amendment and on motion it was read a third time and passed. Oakville Star.

The cars of the street lamps at Ayota, Minn., has been undertaken, by the ladies of the Christian Endeavor Societies. They volunteered to perform the work when it was proposed by the local authorities to license saloons in order to raise the funds necessary to pay some one to attend to the lamps. As the Christian Endeavorers do the work gratuitously there is no need to raise money by licensing a saloon.

While the winter has been an open one in Canada it is exceptionally rigorous in Europe. The cable dispatches indicate the lowest temperatures known for many years. In England there have been blinding snowstorms accompanied with intense cold. The Thames has been frozen over, many inlets of the sea in the southern counties are blocked with ice, roads in the midland districts are impassible from snowdrifts and the temperature in Cornwall, the Isle of Wight and at other points has been phenomenally low. In many parts of Germany the cold has been most intense.

It has been widely claimed that those who abstained from voting on the prohibition plebiscite were opposed to prohibition. This has spread the rumor that they were so counted in the official returns, and a correspondent has written to know if that is the case. The published returns gave only the number of votes actually recorded for and against prohibition. Neither party is warranted in claiming the votes which were not cast. They represented the indifferent and those who held views outside the two alternatives of prohibition or license. To count them for either party would unduly magnify the strength of public sentiment in that direction. *Globe.*

Speaking upon education at Liverpool on the 10th January the Earl of Derby, our late Governor General, eulogized the Canadian School system. Education is supplemented by higher grade schools, by high schools, and lastly by universities. He believed their teaching could scarcely be surpassed anywhere; for, to all these institutions, a child had the key in his own brains and in his own application. He hoped England would soon place university education at the disposal of those who succeeding in passing the preliminary grades. He rejoiced to see municipalities promoting technical education, for technical knowledge would lead to advancement.

"Observer" in reply to the *Reformer* says: "When the *Reformer*, of Milton, we suppose, takes exception to "Observer's" recent suggestion that at least two of the liquor licenses should be cut off this year on the ground that it would make monopoly for some one, we explain that the benefit to the community and not to any one liquor seller was our object. With him we agree if it is wrong for one number to sell it is wrong for another, but we cannot say free trade or no trade on this question. No trade, or if not that, less trade than formerly. The very lowest the law will allow is our request even if it makes a monopoly, for the fewer the facilities for getting liquor, the less drinking there will be.

### THE WILLIAMS MURDER

#### The Prisoners Begin to Show the Effect of Imprisonment.

BRAMPTON, Feb. 6.—MacWherrell and Walker, the two men held in Brampton Jail, charged with being implicated in the Middle road murder, are beginning to feel the effects of their solitary residence. MacWherrell looks considerably paler than he did at the trial. Walker often amuses himself by climbing to the top of the window in his cell and shouting to the boys as they pass going to and from school. There is a story floating round to the effect that Walker has given some further and important information to the county authorities, and that the defence had succeeded in securing evidence completely exonerating the prisoners of the actual commission of the crime.

Canada exported nearly five times as much hay to Great Britain last year as she did the year before.

George W. Childs died at 3 o'clock Sunday. Never in the history of Philadelphia has the death of one of its citizens caused more widespread regret than has the death of this eminent publisher and philanthropist.

## PROHIBITION PROMISED.

### Sir Oliver Mowat Definitely Pledges his Government to Legislate.

### 1,500 DELEGATES AT TORONTO.

The Provincial prohibition convention, comprising 1,500 delegates, which met in Toronto on Tuesday was one of the most representative and enthusiastic gatherings ever held in the province. The chief feature of the convention was the waiting upon the Ontario Government by a large deputation which requested the Government to declare in favor of total prohibition to the extent of the power vested in the Legislature. Sir Oliver Mowat, speaking for the Government, replied in terms which completely satisfied the deputation, as follows:

"If the decision of the Privy Council should be that the province has the jurisdiction to pass a prohibitory liquor law as respects the sale of intoxicating liquors, I will introduce such a bill in the following session if I am at the head of the Government. If the decision of the Privy Council is that the province has jurisdiction to pass only a partial prohibitory law, I will introduce such a prohibitory bill as the decision will warrant, unless the partial prohibitory power is so limited as to be ineffective from a temperance standpoint."

An immense evening meeting concluded the proceedings of the convention.

### THE PRESIDENT HONORED.

#### John Duff, Esq., President Acton Union Exhibition, Presented with a Gold Watch.

On Tuesday evening at eight o'clock there assembled in the Council Chamber a number of the members and friends of Acton Horticultural and Agricultural Society, to meet the president, John Duff, Esq., who came thinking some matter of interest to the society had arisen and required consideration.

Secretary Hynds took the chair and requested Mr Duff to come forward. Councillor Havill then arose and read the following address and Messrs John Harvey and John H Matthews presented Mr Duff with a handsome gold watch, chain and seal:

To Mr John Duff,
President of Acton Horticultural and Agricultural Society.

DEAR SIR—On behalf of a committee of the Directors of Acton Union Exhibition this evening for a still larger look of your friends and admirers, we have been requested to tender to you this watch and chain as a token of our appreciation of the zeal, fidelity and courtesy with which as President of Acton Exhibition your official duties have uniformly been performed. A watch seems to be an appropriate testimonial if its movements are regular and harmonious, all is right. If there is a screw loose all is wrong. It seems therefore to be in accordance with the fitness of things that an article which when in perfect order is the mechanical type of regularity and harmony should be presented to one whose counsels have always been opposed to discord, and through whose watchfulness the Society has prospered.

The timely help you have so often afforded to our annual Exhibition merits a timely acknowledgement and we gratefully offer it in the shape of a serviceable time piece. And now Sir permit us to connect the Hour with the Man, by placing this gift in your possession, and to express the earnest wishes of your many friends that you may long live to wear it.

JOHN HARVEY,
J. H. MATTHEWS,
GEORGE HAVILL.
In behalf of your friends.

Acton, Feb. 6th, 1894.

Considering the unexpected turn the meeting had taken Mr Duff made an appropriate and excellent reply. He said: "About a week ago I received a letter from the Secretary asking me to be present at a meeting of the society to-night. I thought it strange that he should presume to call a meeting without consultation with me, but it is all explained now. No language of mine can express my thanks for the valuable present you have so generously proffered me. I hope I shall long be spared to exert myself in the interest of Acton Horticultural and Agricultural Society. I do not, however, deserve this signal recognition nor do I take all the credit for the success that has characterized the show. Had I not been surrounded by an energetic board of directors and so many earnest helpers in Acton my efforts would not have counted for much. But I appreciate very highly the esteem of my fellowmen and if I have earned that and the approval of conscience that I have done right I count myself favored indeed. During the years I have been honored with the position of president there has never been a discordant word amongst us. Harmony has prevailed at all our meetings and every person connected therewith has exerted himself in the interest of the society. When we took hold the show was about $200 in debt, had neither government nor municipal grant and people thought it would die. By the efforts put forth we have given superior exhibitions, have wiped off the debt and have over $100 in the treasury. We secured a government grant this year and the show is on a better footing than most of its class. I appreciate the help that has been given us to arrive at this satisfactory condition of affairs. Many have been interested and the Free Press has given us valuable service in making the exhibition popular throughout the country.

Many wonder and outsiders have asked me why I take such an interest in Acton. Some of the reasons are these. In 1846 when I arrived from Scotland I landed in Acton and was befriended by the pioneers here and in the vicinity. The Kennedys, the Moores, the Cameronsand others were friends indeed to me. I went to school here for two years in the effort to make up to some extent for the opportunities I had neglected in the old country. I had a bright little boy once but God saw fit to take him and he sleeps in your cemetery. The only brother I had in Canada is beside him and last year when Divine Providence called me to say good bye to my partner in life I had left to rest in Patrick. I feel that it is like coming home when I come to Acton and I expect my remains will some time rest with many of yours in your beautiful resting place for the departed here.

I again thank you heartily for your valuable present and I trust that while we are spared to work together no word or act of mine shall ever cause you to regret your action of this evening."

The watch was a splendid hunting case with illuminated dial, and the home here this inscription:

Presented to
Mr John Duff
President Acton Union Exhibition
By his many friends.
Feb'y 6th 1894

The committee secured it at the store of G. Hynds, Jeweller.

After the presentation the committee invited the company to the Dominion Hotel where an oyster supply awaited them. Among those present were D. Henderson, M.P., Col Allan, Reeve Pearson, Councillors Havill, Anderson and Jeans and a score or more of others.

Mr Andrew Johnson died at his son's residence, near Norwood, on Saturday, aged 104.

It took 16 hours to drill through a Lisbon safe, the combination lock of which wouldn't work.

The illiterate part of Newfoundland is opposed to Confederation with Canada, but the better class of people favor it.

## DEPRESSION AND REDUCTION.

### The Table Cutters at the Canada Glove Works Refuse to Accept a Reduction of Prices.

Few businesses have escaped the effects of the widespread depression which has existed throughout the country the past year. Though it has not affected the Canada Glove Works to any appreciable extent Messrs W. H. Stone & Son, considering it advisable to meet existing circumstances in a manner which would secure to them the usual volume of business, decided upon a revised price list and as would necessarily follow, a reduction in prices paid for work in some of the departments.

Their schedule of prices was consequently formulated last week and on Saturday afternoon submitted to the table cutters for their consideration. The men went through the tariff and after consultation decided, in view of the fact that they had for several months been doing very little work that they could not accept the new prices. The management, was firm in their determination that the scale was fair and must be accepted, or the cutters find work elsewhere. The men were just as firm and walked out.

The event has caused a considerable amount of comment by the public. Feeling that the account is generally correct that "there are always two sides to every story" the Free Press thought a fair and impartial statement of the case from both standpoints would be advisable and to secure this our reporter interviewed representatives of the men and of the firm, who respectively present their case as follows:

THE CUTTERS.—We were notified to meet the firm on Saturday at three o'clock. We went together and a revised scale of prices was submitted by Mr Secord, the manager of our department. We found that a reduction of prices for cutting, from one cent to twelve cents per dozen, was made, the principal lines we cut running at about five cents per dozen lower than before.

REPORTER.—Did you decide at once not to accept?

CUTTER.—No. We asked for a little while for consultation. After a time Mr Secord returned and asked for our decision. We replied that having given due consideration to the matter we have come to the unanimous decision that we cannot see our way clear to submit to any reduction, especially as we have had no steady work for a considerable time.

MR STONE.—Mr Stoley says have are our prices, and the men who will continue in our employ at those rates will be here on Monday morning.

THE CUTTERS.—We then marched out, and went home. We believe that the table cutters who were in the Canada Glove Works are the steadiest lot of table cutters to be found in any glove factory in America and we think the firm should have considered this point. We have always in leaving to work to the interest of the factory in working up stock and in our care in handling it. We are the only employees of a glove factory who are required to serve an apprenticeship of three years to qualify us for the skilled labor demanded. We are all ready to return to work at the former prices but are united in the determination not to go back at the reduced prices, and that no individual members will go in. We must all go back or none.

The other side of the case.

Our reporter called upon Messrs Stoney & Son yesterday morning and requested a statement of the case from the firm's standpoint.

MR STONEY.—We do not care to be interviewed. This is a matter which concerns ourselves and is no business of the public.

REPORTER.—It is a matter of public news and the Free Press is anxious to give an impartial report.

MR STONEY.—Well I have no objection to that though I have no interest in what the public says about the matter. We know our own business and propose to conduct it as we think best. As in other manufacturing centres the business depression has necessitated a revision of prices. Here is a copy of the Gloversville *Leader*, of date January 10, which you can see the prices there are reduced 5 to 10 per cent. We have made a fair revision of prices, more favorable to the men than the American tariff, and submitted it to the cutters. They saw it to be good and are not now in our employ. The same men have worked for lower prices in former years, and we explained to them that if the business situation improved again, as we believe it will, we shall raise the prices again.

REPORTER.—The men say they have not had steady work.

MR STONEY.—It is true that for a few weeks when we had taken up the business on the old prices, taking stock and preparing for the present year there has not been steady work. But there has not been more slack time than in previous years at this season. But these men I consider to-day are the best paid men in the country. They come in here at 7 o'clock in the morning and about 9 o'clock earned their $2, $3.00 and sometimes $4. And if they are out of work for a few weeks we are not making money. I am sure if they are not. We will fill their places.

We are like I said, ready for the coming season but at prices reduced from last year and if we fill them the gloves must be manufactured at a reasonable profit on the cost of production. We are considerably put about by the action of the cutters but we anticipate no trouble in filling the vacant places. You may say in conclusion that we wish these men no ill, but hope they will be paid better than we can afford to pay them. The matter is a question of right between parties.

The reporter then withdrew.

The men interested are John Perkins, John B Cameron, Councillor Jesse Will iam, Jesse Charles Jenner and Samuel Spears. It is generally regretted that the unfortunate event has occurred and citizens generally hope the difficulty will be bridged over and the men return to their places.

### LITERARY NOTES.

The *Review of Reviews* for February is strong in all of its departments. In the "Progress of the world" the important political, social and industrial events of the month are reviewed and their significance clearly and frankly set forth. This department alone contains fifty timely illustrations, chiefly portraits of well known men and women. Among the portraits are those of President Dole and his cabinet and sketches, drawn from life, of Representatives William L. Wilson of West Virginia, Charles I. Crisp of Georgia, Thomas B. Reed, of Maine, Benjamin Mc-Millan, of Tennessee, Thomas L. Johnson of Ohio and Julius C. Burrows, of Michigan. Apropos of the opening of the Manchester Ship Canal, the editor discusses that and various other waterway projects which are being considered by European government.

Fire destroyed the residence and barn of Mr Thos. McMeekin, a farmer and lock raiser near here, last Friday night. The damage will amount to several thousand dollars with no insurance. Several head of stock were burned to death.

## IT'S NEVER TOO LATE

### A STORY WITH A MORAL FOR THOSE WHO HAVE GIVEN UP HOPE.

#### A Model Forest Man Thought His Case Hopeless Urged by a Friend, He Made One More Trial for Health. The Happy Result.

From the Mount Forest Confederate.

Mr Geo Fraley is a well known resident of Mount Forest, and among those acquainted with him it is known that he has been a great sufferer from chronic bronchitis, accompanied by a bad cough that used to leave him so weak that he would lie down for hours at a time. Mr. Fraley's friends have noticed latterly that he has regained his old time vigor, and in conversation with a representative of the Confederate a few days ago, he was asked to what agency he owed his renewed health. "To the same agency," said Mr. Fraley, "that has accomplished so many wonderful cures throughout the country. Dr Williams' Pink Pills. For the past three years I have been so ill I have been able to do but little work. I doctored and tried many remedies with but little or no benefit, and at last I went to the hospital at Brantford, where I remained for some time, and while there I felt somewhat better. The improvement, however, was only temporary, for shortly had I returned home when I was again as ill as before. I had spent a great deal of money in doctoring without benefit and I felt discouraged and began to look upon my condition as hopeless. A friend advised me to try Dr Williams' Pink Pills, but I had already tried so many alleged "sure cures" that I did not feel like spending any more money on medicines. Finally, however, I was persuaded to give Pink Pills a trial, and as you can see I have reason to be thankful that I did. I purchased a box and began using them with grim hope of recovery. To my intense satisfaction I noticed that they were doing me good, and you may be sure it required no further persuasion to continue their use. After I had taken a number of boxes, the cough which had troubled me so much, entirely ceased, and I could eat a workingman's hearty meal, and before long I was able to go to work. I am now in excellent health, and I believe that Dr Williams' Pink Pills have saved my life. I would not be without a supply in the house and I warmly recommend them to others who may be ailing."

The reporter called upon Mr. Wm Coleclough, the well known druggist, who said he was acquainted with Mr. Fraley's case and had every confidence in the statements made. Interrogated as to the sale of this remedy about which everybody is talking, Mr. Coleclough said that so far as his experience went, he knew the sales to be very large, and that the remedy gave general satisfaction. In fact although he handled all the best proprietary medicines, he finds Dr. Williams' Pink Pills the best selling remedy on his shelves.

Dr Williams' Pink Pills are an unfailing specific for all diseases arising from an impoverished condition of the blood, or from an impairment of the nervous system, such as loss of appetite, depression of spirits, shortness of breath, pale sallow complexion, general muscular weakness, dizziness, loss of memory, locomotor ataxia, paralysis, sciatica, rheumatism, St Vitus dance the after effects of la grippe, all diseases depending upon a vitiated condition of the blood, such as scrofula, chronic erysipelas, etc. They are also a specific for the troubles peculiar to the female system, correcting irregularities, suppressions and all forms of female weakness, building anew the blood and restoring the glow of health to pale and sallow cheeks. In the case of men they effect a radical cure in all cases arising from mental worry or overwork of any nature. These pills are not a purgative medicine. They contain only life giving properties, and nothing but good can result from their use.

Dr Williams' Pink Pills are sold by the box, bearing the firm's trade mark and wrapper printed in red ink. Be sure you get the genuine. Dr Williams' Pink Pills are not sold in bulk or by the dozen or hundred, and any dealer who offers substitutes in this form is trying to defraud you and should be avoided. The public are cautioned against all other so-called blood builders and nerve pills put up in bulk or in imitation of the genuine. These imitations, whose makers hope to reap a pecuniary advantage from the world wide reputation of the Dr Williams' Pink Pills.

Dr Williams' Pink Pills are sold by all druggists or direct by mail from Dr Williams Medicine Company, from either address at 50 cents a box or six boxes for $2.50. The price at which these pills are sold makes a course of treatment comparatively inexpensive as compared with other remedies or medical attendance.

### PROHIBITION'S MAJORITY

#### Summarized Report Of the Plebiscite Vote—Returns of the Plebiscite Vote.

The last returns for the recent plebiscite vote in Ontario came in on Monday all except one and though he is sure of a change of two in the classification which I may have offered he made the total figure more by a slight shave the 14 counties will not go and be more than a few score of votes. These returns may therefore be taken as being practically the official figures as they will be proclaimed in the Ontario Gazette. In the city about two-fifths in favor of prohibition and 60 per cent of the total vote was polled. In the districts the proportionate majority was hardly as great as in the cities and about 41 per cent of the total vote was polled. In the separated towns the majority in favor of prohibition was as 3 to 2 and 62 per cent of the vote was polled. The counties declared for prohibition by about 2 to 1 and the returns show that 58 per cent of the total vote was polled. The women's vote went 6 to 1 in favor of prohibition and they polled 56 per cent of their total vote. The grand total shows an average vote of almost exactly 10 to 11 in favor of prohibition, 58 per cent of the vote having been polled.

The following is a summary of the returns:

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| Counties | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Cities | 30,136 | 21,914 | 8,120 |
| Districts | [illegible] | [illegible] | 2,552 |
| Separated Towns | 2,904 | 1,887 | 1,017 |
| Totals | 192,187 | 110,152 | 81,791 |

The number of women who voted for prohibition was 12,421, or about 2 to 1.

John Wray, of Maitlandbank Station, while coming home from town last Friday was stricken with apoplexy and died.

Prof S. H. Clark late of Kingston and Toronto, has been appointed principal of the Summer School of Expression at Chautauqua, N. Y.

At Dorchester the children in the school were busy building the ice slide and the young people were skating on the river when Mr Robbins, a young man who was engaged in the sport, was struck on the side by a snowball thrown by a lad in fun. An ugly swelling followed and the poor fellow's recovery is doubtful.

## HALTON POLITICIANS.

### Reformers and Conservatives Meet at Milton in Conventions.

At the annual meeting of the Halton Reform Association, held in the Royal Templars' hall, Milton, the president, Mr Wm. McLean, Georgetown, occupied the chair. There was good attendance from all parts of the riding. The election of officers resulted as follows:

Honorary President—Dr. McCrimmon, Palermo.

President—J. H. McCollum, Milton.

Vice-Presidents—Alex Walshe, Acton; Geo. Tyrer, W. I. Dack, Milton.

Vice-Presidents—Burlington, James Allen; Milton, J. S. McConnell, Oakville, C. G. Marlatt, Georgetown, J. McKenzie; Acton, Geo. Havill; Esquesing, Wm. Moore; Trafalgar, Henry Robinson; Nelson, Wm Fisher; Nassagaweya, M. Heatlie.

The following were elected chairmen of the different polling sub-divisions: Esquesing, No. 1, Robert Stewart; 2, J. McPherson; 3, H. P. Lawson; 4, Neil Gillies; 5, J. L. Warren; 6, James Dawn. Trafalgar, No. 1, John Dickson; 2, R. E. Hall; 3, Levi Turner; 4, C. L. Collupy; 5, Dr. Duck; 6, Wm Speers. Nelson, No. 1, T. Gheen; 2, D. W. Springer; 3, D. A. Van Ness; 4, Wm Hollingshead; 5, Chas Porter. Nassagaweya, No. 1, Dr. Platt; 2, John Moffatt; 3, J. Marshall.

Auditors—D. W. Campbell, R. White.

It was decided to hold a convention in Milton on May 9th next, to select a candidate to contest the County at the next general election for the Legislative Assembly.

A convention of the liberal Conservative party of the County was held last Thursday in the Orange hall, Milton. It was one of the best attended and most harmonious conventions ever held in the county. The meeting was thoroughly representative of every part. The chair was ably occupied by the president of the association, Mr. William Clements.

Among those present were Hon. G. G. McKindsey, D. Henderson, M. P., William Kerns, M. P. P., Vice-President A. W. Peart, Secretary S. Dice, W. C. Beatty, G. A. Hemstreet, Dr. Urquhart, P. D. Scott, W. J. Bickson, W. I. Elliott, I. Chisholm, James Newton, William Patterson, J. Dearing, D. Webster, Owen Robertson, Robert Watson, J. Speers, G. Campbell, P. Cross, J. I. Elliott, William Thompson, D. Lindsay, Major Appleby, W. Babcock, D. McLaren, W. G. Pettit, John Buckon, H. H. Powell, J. Mallyblank, W. Emerson, W. B. Cost, F. Coghen, H. McMaster, E. Blanshard, G. W. Alton, J. Richardson, G. Richardson, H. G. Heaven, D. McCartney, H. McCartney, I. Cunningham, R. Little, V. A. McGuidon, J. King, P. Allison, J. C. Blacklock, H. Johnson, S. Locker, T. Mason, J. Codrington, I. Campbell, R. Campbell, A. Patterson, H. Cranque, Capt. Fox, J. Colson, F. Little, R. Joyce, W. Gillam, J. Agnew, W. D. Smith, R. Campbell, W. Smith, J. R. Cawthron, G. Allan, S. Thomas, A. Hager, W. J. Armstrong, J. Hollingshead, L. Hagerman, S. Young, I. McDowell, I. Lindsay, Capt. Falen, C. Bradley.

The old standard bearer of the past, Col Kerns, M. P. P. was chosen unanimously as the candidate to contest the county in the Conservative interest at the next provincial election.

The candidate in addressing the meeting gave a clear and vigorous address on the political situation of the province at the present time endorsing Mr Meredith the leader of the Opposition, and endorsing his platform.

Short addresses were given by D. Henderson, M. P., Senator McKindsey, D. Webster, Dr. Urquhart, O. Robertson, F. Macklem, Q.C., and A. W. Peart who at the close of the meeting moved the following resolution, seconded by W. G. Pettit, Esq., and carried unanimously:

That the thanks of the Conservatives of Halton are hereby tendered to the leaders of the Conservative Opposition at Ottawa and Toronto for their services in the late election, and that we refer with pride to their able and honorable character and record, and disapprove of the course of the Liberal Government and Opposition.

The convention then proceeded to ballot for three delegates to the Ottawa convention and three for Colonel Kerns.

The Liberal convention is about to meet in Milton to select a candidate for the Ontario Parliament. Very few men of the kind are much needed.

Mr. Geo. H. Turner

## Simply Awful

### Worst Case of Scrofula the Doctors Ever Saw

*Completely Cured by HOOD'S SARSAPARILLA*

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### Worst Case of Scrofula

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### Work Slow Time.

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A superb mammoth tintograph in 12 colors by the distinguished artist, Maud Humphrey. It is 7 feet long and 31 inches wide and will be sent free if you tell your friends. It is called "An Apple Blossom" and shows a beautiful, dimpled darling clad in a warm, cozy, fur lined cloak, basket and umbrella in hand, she pulls the snow covered latch, while her golden half shines in the sunshine, her cheeks blush with health and vigor and her English eyes sparkle merrily. Sure to delight you. A copy will be sent free postpaid, if you promise to tell your friends and send 10 cents in stamps or silver for a three months' trial subscription to

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# Henderson & Co.

We are selling a great many Dress Goods these days. The tremendous cuts we have been making in prices have attracted attention.

We still have a fine assortment in all shades and fabrics to clear, and to do this they will be offered at a loss in preference to carrying them over.

We have a few Ladies' Mantles to clear out. They are all new and perfect fitting and every one a bargain.

A special feature this week will be a lot of Ribbons at less than half value.

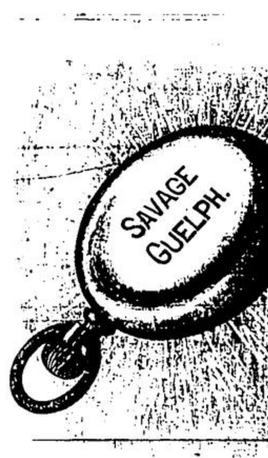
Special values in Towels, Table Linens, Napkins, etc.

A fresh shipment of those famous Flannelettes, just to hand.

A few odd lines of Women's and Men's Boots and Shoes at less than cost to clear out.

# Henderson & Co.






## Non-Magnetic Watches

In these days of electricity when so many are coming in contact with dynamos it is necessary to have a watch that is not affected by the electric current.

We are now handling a Waltham non magnetic Watch and can supply them at different prices.

Savage & Co., Guelph.



# STOP!

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Smith's Cherry Balsam.

"The enormous [illegible] for Cherry Balsam proves it to be a valuable remedy for Coughs, Colds, Hoarseness, Bronchitis, etc.

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TARIFF REFORM.
A vote will be taken at 8 o'clock p.m.
GEO. HUME, Sec. pro tem.

### APPLICATION

TO THE
Local Legislature of Ontario.

LEGISLATIVE NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Local Legislature of Ontario at the next session thereof on behalf of the County Council of the County of Halton and on behalf of the ratepayers of the county of Halton and of the ratepayers of the local portion of the County of Halton which was included in and described by the Bonus By-law No. 28 dated the 26th day of April, 1874, for $60,000 approved by the ratepayers within the said local portion and passed by the County Council of the County of Halton in aid of the construction of the Hamilton & North Western Railway through the County of Halton, and on behalf of the inhabitants of the County of Halton, for an Act to appropriate and distribute the money recovered from the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada for damages for the breach of the condition of a bond given by the Hamilton & North Western Railway Company to the Corporation of the County of Halton upon the introduction of the said Bonus By-law for so much and of the construction of the said Railway through the County of Halton and delivered to the County Council of the County of Halton before the votes of the ratepayers were taken on the said By-law, and to sanction, validate and confirm the corporate act of the County Council of the County of Halton for such appropriation and distribution and any By-law to be passed by the County Council of the County of Halton for that purpose, subject to such modifications and amendments as may be made by the Legislature and generally to legislate for the appropriation and distribution of the said money as the said Legislature may think expedient, just and equitable to the ratepayers who have paid the annual rates levied for the payment of the principal money and interest of the Debentures issued under the said By-law.

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