

BORN.
Joe - In Reposing, on Sunday, 1st November, the wife of Alexander Joe, of a son.
DECEASED. - Mrs. Timothy J. Seven, the wife of James Valentine, 76 years.
MARRIED. - In Ruth, Thursday, 1st November, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. McAlister, to Arthur MacLean, son of Mr. and Mrs. John MacLean, of Acton.
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McALISTER, Richardson, on Thursday, Nov. 1st, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. and Mrs. John MacLean, and Alister, President, Guelph Conference, and father of the groom, Dr. McAlister, Galt, to Ruth Richardson.

DIED.

McLAUGHLIN, Albie, late residence, 66 Young Street, Galt, on Tuesday, October 30th, aged 75 years. His wife, Mary, of Newmarket.
KILLMARTIN. - At Port Hope, on Wednesday, October 31st, Beaupre Gillmister, in her 85th year.

The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1894

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Political elections were held throughout England on Thursday. The returns from 143 boroughs show that the Conservative secured 39 seats, the Unionists 8, the Ministerials 28, the Liberal 15, Independents 6, and Socialists 3.

There has lately been developed an urgent desire to improve the country roads in many districts throughout the Dominion of Canada and the Northern States, and the almost universal cry is for better road laws and better means of enforcing them.

Quite frequently advertisements appear offering a reward for the return of articles lost or stolen and promising that "no questions will be asked." But John Thompson's criminal law says that both advertisers and publishers who ask in making such announcements shall be subject to a penalty of \$200.

Over 122,000 sheep have so far during the present season been shipped from Montreal to English ports. Our total exports to the Mother Country for the whole of last year amounted to less than 15,000 head. Evidently we are about to find a good a market across the Atlantic for our sheep as we have already found for other articles of farm produce.

It is now said that the destination of the British troops - their Pacific-to-Costa Rica, instead of Peru. It is reported that a serious state of affairs exists in Costa Rica, and that the British Consulate at Punta Arenas, the seaport of San Jose, has been burned and looted, and the Consul carried & prisoner into the interior of the country.

The latest hygienic craze in Paris is the use of paper gauze for bandages. This is declared to possess all the advantages of the ordinary window framing, and while light is as freely admitted as through the medium of common glass, the "paper" further admits air, too, the minute holes with which it is intersected being too fine to permit of any draught, while they provide a healthy continuous ventilation throughout the apartment.

An Ontario visitor to the Northwest writes a private letter: "I have discovered a new thing in the west, and that is that the row in Ontario and Quebec about racial and religious questions out here, is pretty much confined to those Provinces. In the territories we haven't heard a word about Dual language or the Separate Schools, and in Manitoba the agitation appears to be dying out. The people seem to be too busy making a living to bother with such things."

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Mr. and Mrs. H. M. McAlister desire to express their sincere thanks to the many friends and neighbors who so kindly tendered sympathy and comfort in their recent bereavement. Coming as it did, when they are comparative strangers in Acton, this kindness is all the more fully appreciated.

ANOTHER CITY OF KOKH.

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TALK OF THE DAY.

An Entomologist of the World's Doings During the Week.

The Boston Agricultural Society is \$1000 short.

Orpha's free night school has forty pupils.

Gananoque is to have a Children's Progressive Society.

Party Patrol Lodges have been organized in Muskoka.

The Cossack depot took place on Thursday afternoon last.

The output of Ontario farms last year was \$100,000,000.

The thirty estates near Portage la Prairie have been sold at auction for \$30,000.

Grace church, Winnipeg had a narrow escape from destruction by fire last week.

Thursday, November 29, has been proclaimed Thanksgiving day in the United States.

It is said that the Canadian Government has sold the celebrated cruiser *Emmerson* to Japan.

It is said that King Humbert and Queen Margherita of Italy have taken to riding bicycles.

During last month 1,000 head of North West cattle were shipped to the British market.

The meat bags were rounded off at \$2,000 at the Grand Trunk station in Kingston the other night.

A movement is on foot at Bradford to get the main line of the Grand Trunk diverted to that city.

The cotton crop of Egypt this year amounts to 5,500,000 bales, which is more than ever before.

Canadian timber export 960,000 cords in Behring sea this season. This is said to be the largest export on record.

Kent county produced 480,000 bushels of beans last year, considerably over half the yield of the entire Province.

The Fruit Growers' Association of Ontario will hold its annual meeting at Guelph, December 4, 5, and 6.

The total value of farm lands, buildings, stock and animals in the Province of Ontario is nearly \$100,000,000.

In London 2,500 acts were added to the lists, under the new Act, for the coming election to the Ontario Legislature.

There is a Cabinet crisis in Chile, growing out of President Montt's determination to have the Conversion Bill passed.

The title of Count of the Holy Roman Empire is inherited by Mr. Henri Mercier, eldest son of the late Premier of Quebec.

The late Count Mercier's life was insured for \$24,000, and that constitutes the greater part of the estate left to his family.

Jackie Lewis, 18, of 1000 Yonge Street, N.W.T., who purchased a dozen of leather bags when found short in his accounts, is dead.

President Cleveland is said to have chopped 20 pounds off his weight during his vacation. He fell trees and cut the firewood for the family.

In Labrador winter has already set in and heavy snow storms and gales are regular. Ice formations are on all vessels going south to Canada.

Last October 120,000 barrels of apples reached England from America. The Canadian apples were much in demand and brought good prices.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hoggs of Brampton, Durham county, the parents of Inspector Hughes of Toronto, celebrated their golden wedding on Saturday.

François Callanen was killed while boarding an Erie train at Rutherford, Ont., yesterday. Mr. Callanen was a street railway millionaire.

The Minister of Justice declines to interfere in the case of Truskey, the murderer of Constable Lindsey, of Cobourg, who is to be tried for the first time.

John Mitchell, of Peterborough, who has just celebrated his 101st birthday anniversary. His faculties are unimpaired, and he reads without spectacles.

There was a layer of snow three inches deep over the entire peninsula of Michigan on Saturday. The thermometers stood at 10 degrees below freezing point.

Peterborough schools have entirely adopted the new system of vertical writing, and the students are said to lead the way in the matter of efficiency in the system.

Telegrams giving the distance and exact amount of miles in the neighborhood of Victoria, B.C. Over 60 are now in operation, including six extra ones.

The four G. T. R. conductors, Deified, Tamby, Stone and Mulligan, have been committed for trial at Montreal, charged with defrauding their employers by means of forged tickets.

At Brockville the other day George Brewster, a married man, passed guilty of indecent assault, and was sentenced to eight months in the Central prison at hard labor, and to seven years.

Mr. and Mrs. John K. Miller, of Kitchener, Ontario, will be 50 years of age in a few weeks. The young mother, healthy, mind is clear, and she can tell stories of youthful days as earnestly as she could.

The London Free Press congratulates Mr. Foster, Canadian Finance Minister, upon his success with the Canadian loan.

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