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**GEO. HYNDL, Acton, Ont.****The Acton Free Press**

THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 1895.

**LITTLE LOCAL BRIEFLIES.**

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

—The sleighing is good, and teaming is lively.

—The March sitting of the Fourth Division Court will be held here to day.

—The annual meeting of the Halton Mouldboard Association will be held at Dean's hotel, Milton, on Thursday, March 14th.

—The new spring veiling makes a girl look as though she had caught her head napping and had put it into a cage for safe keeping.

—The convention of the Halton Horse Association will be held at Milton, March 21st, instead of the 14th as previously announced.

—The last checker match of the season will be played by Acton Checker Club next Thursday evening in their room on Mill Street.

—Camp Ivanhoe, Sons of Scotland, is negotiating for a trip to Acton during the coming summer of the 45th Highlanders of Toronto.

—Miss Lillian Jesus, who was seriously injured while hanging on a slide shortly after the new year, has on tifully recovered.

—Ramsay's tour around the world in the town hall last evening was very enjoyable. The Chosen Friends were favored with a good house.

—The entrance at Fairview Cemetery was blocked with snow this week, the first time since it was opened. An hour's work will give a passable road.

—Ontario Fish and Game Commission has decided to offer a bounty of 50¢ a head for foxes, owing to the damage they inflict on farmers' poultry."

—Special services are in progress in Silvana Methodist Church, officially known as "The Brick." The pastor is being educated by the Epworth League.

—Mr. James Matthews was at a meeting of the Fruit Growers at Burlington last week exhibiting the spray pump he had invented by Matthews &amp; Heuston. It was regarded with much favor.

—While driving the remains of Miss Annie Swackhamer from Milton last Thursday the hearse of Mr. McPherson, undertaker, was upset on the second line and one of the plate glass panes in the side were broken.

An interesting review of the Anti-consumption of the Methodist Young People's Association recently held at Toronto, was given in the Epoch League on Tuesday evening by the delegates who represented the League.

Mr. J. H. Hamilton, music dealer, Guelph, went to the Free Press that he does not deserve all the praise for the gift of the baptismal font to Knox Church. The bowl itself was his donation, the carved pedestal was presented by Dr. Lowry.

We learn that Dr. H. Monk of Rev. W. McElroy, Toronto, for many years a special officer of His Majesty's ship *Rainbow*, one of the newest and finest cruisers in the British service. The Admiralty have despatched the *Rainbow* out to China to strengthen the British squadron there, until all danger of complications with the Japanese is over. This is a very great mark of distinction and it is pleasant thus to record the trust reposed in Dr. Monk.

MILTON.

Wednesday, 13 March. The Council attended the funeral of Dr. Freeman just now in a body.

The Mechanics' Institute is to be open until 10 p.m. in future.

The tenders for the new Grace Church are to be opened on Friday.

W. E. Hammett gives his "Trip around the World" in the Town Hall this evening.

At the last meeting of the Council the committee on Waterworks and Fire reported recommending that the following companies the Milton Fire Brigade, via, J. P. Little, James Ford, M. Meloche, M. Brush, A. C. Bally, C. Jones, Jr., George Fox, W. McKeown, R. Denyer, A. Walde, R. Hamshaw, C. Burrows, W. Hamshaw, Jesse Atkinson, G. Houston, John Roger, G. T. Parsons, T. Weller, J. Jones, D. Keeney, Jno. Bradley, John Ford, W. J. Armstrong, E. F. Earl.

Mr. G. H. Hadlow, ex M. P., father of Rev. R. Hadlow, of this town, is the Liberal candidate for Restigouche, N. B.

**THE COUNTRY AROUND.**

Monty of a Local Character, and Every Item Interesting.

An Ancient School Book.

Mr. Finlay McCallum, Proprietor, has a copy of *Emilia of Balclutha* which was published in 1723, one of its owners has written that date on it. Mr. McCallum's father, the late Duncan McCallum, got the book in Edinburgh in 1826, and lent it to his brother, the late Finlay McCallum, county treasurer, whose name is written in it with the date 1840. Mr. McCallum's son, Mr. John McCallum, late the father of Mr. John McCallum, M. P. P., the late Captain, in teaching Ecclesiastes some of the English living pupils. The book is in excellent preservation, being substantially bound in half leather.

The Eclipse of the Moon.

The moon eclipsed on Sunday evening was seen in this vicinity under very favorable conditions. The sky was remarkably clear and a fine view of the phenomena could be obtained without the aid of a telescope. It was difficult to make out the contact with the shadow of the moon's surface.

There is talk of a cheater factory being started at Orton.

ASHGROVE.

Tuesday, March 13th. The Waterford Patron of Industry purpose having an auction on Saturday evening.

Mrs. Abraham Headstone, of Guelph, is renewing old acquaintances in Essex.

Miss Annie McDowell, Vancouver, B.C. is the guest of Miss Dixie.

Miss Mabel Irwin, of Brampton, spent Saturday and Sunday with friends here.

Messrs. Wallace and Foster, Bradbridge, of Oshawa, visited friends here during the week.

Miss Minnie Nixon spent a part of last week with friends in Toronto.

NASSAGAWAYA.

Tuesday, March 13th. Mr. John Lukin, an old resident of the township, has rented his farm to his son Charles. Mr. Lukin, who purchased the cottage, formerly owned by the late Mr. Underhill on the Flora Road, Guelph, for \$1000, and will live retired.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Headstone left on Friday last for their home in Muskoka, North West Territory.

The most anticipated of the moon's night was witnessed by many an eye here about.

Farmers are busy laying in a good stock of summer wool while the sleighing is good.

Mr. James Brown of Georgetown, will deliver an address. The second on Saturday evening, March 23rd a musical and literary entertainment will be given with a specially prepared programme.

In addition to the local talent Rev. D. A. Mar, S. T. L. of Georgetown, will be a lecture on "Wesley" by the pastor, Rev. J. E. Howells, M. A., on May evening, April 29th. Mr. Howell has given this lecture repeatedly with much acceptance. On Monday evening, May 20th, these series will be concluded with a social evening to be provided by members of the League. The admission for each dance will be ten cents and a limited number of tickets for the series is being sold by the members for twenty five cents.

News of the Church.

The annual missionary service will be held in the Methodist Church next Sunday Rev. F. A. Cassidy, missionary to Japan, who is home a few months on furlough, will preach morning and evening.

Rev. F. A. Cassidy is a superior preacher and his missionary experience will render the services unusually interesting. Rev. J. M. French, A. A., of Peterborough, occupied the pulpit here.

Rev. J. E. Howells, M. A. preached in memory of Mr. Howells at Luton.

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BURLINGTON.

Monday, March 13.—On Saturday, Mr. C. Campbell, butcher, was driving his team to the market when he saw a bounding snow shrew. He stopped his horse on the beach for one further up the shore and thus drove on the thin ice at the end of the canal. The horse and wagon with contents broke through the ice. Mr. Campbell, being an expert swimmer, saved himself but the horse was drowned. The wagon and load, which Mr. Campbell was bringing home, were recovered.

On Tuesday evening last Prof. Granite, colored debating club from Hamilton gave one of their concerts in the town hall here.

The subject for debate was "What will prompt a man to commit suicide, the love he would do for others?" The speakers were Prof. Grant &amp; Williams, and Messrs. Atkins and Davis. They are two men in the style peculiar to their race. The audience highly enjoyed the concert.

The Fruit Growers Association held its annual meeting on Wednesday afternoon last at which everything pertaining to horticulture was discussed. In the evening the annual concert was given.

The programme furnished a musical program and addresses were delivered on the different branches of horticulture.

Two bright young ladies of Stratford, after many weeks of patient suffering, at the home of her uncle, Mr. James Brown, the spirit of Miss Gertrude Cookman, daughter of Rev. G. Cookman, of Port Dover took its flight on Sunday morning.

Rev. Mr. Land is a favoring his congregation here with excellent sermons. The Baptist feels that they have secured a superior pastor for their church.

Rev. J. G. Golden, the new pastor of St. Albans Church, preached on Sunday.

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The amount of people in the audience was indeed with the passing in flus.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Headstone, of Guelph, were visiting friends here.

Miss Kortner is visiting friends abroad.

THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

Important Presbyterial Meeting to be held in Knox Church next week.

In connection with the meeting of the Guelph Presbytery in Knox Church next week the annual Conference on the trials of Religion, Sabbath Observance, Temperance, Systematic Benevolence, and Sabbath Schools, will be held beginning on Monday evening, from 8 to 10 p.m. in the hall of the former.

During the course of the conference the trials of Religion, Sabbath Observance, Temperance, Systematic Benevolence, and Sabbath Schools, will be held beginning on Monday evening, from 8 to 10 p.m. in the hall of the former.

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