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The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, DECEMBER, 19, 1895.

LITTLE LOCAL BRIEFLETS

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

—Christmas next Wednesday.

—The Salvation Army services here last week were very thinly attended.

—The new Norway Iron and Steel Rolling mills, at Guelph, are now in successful operation.

—Sportsmen have laid up their fire arms. The season for hares and partridge closed on Saturday.

—The FREE PRESS will be issued a day earlier next week, and will be crowded with very interesting Christmas matter.

—The Christmas examinations in the Public School will be held this afternoon in each department. The public is cordially invited.

—In addition to the numerous other improvements a fine new and powerful engine has just been put in at the sole leather tannery.

—The mild weather and rain this week dispersed the sleighing very rapidly. It is hoped that it will be replaced for the holidays at least.

—Mr. Adam Cook has his new Steam Laundry now in full working order and is turning out first class linen, to the satisfaction of his customers.

—Many FREE PRESS subscribers, who appreciate the paper and its cash-in-advance system, are already renewing their subscriptions for next year.

—Sleighing parties are unusually popular just now. Excursions were made by different companies of young people to Milton Thursday night and to Rockwood Friday night.

—Services will be held in St. Alban's Church on Christmas Day as follows:—Holy Communion at 8 am. Divine service and Holy Communion at 10 a. m. The church will be appropriately decorated.

—New subscribers continue to send in their names and dollars to the FREE PRESS from near and far. Are you on the list? The FREE PRESS gives a newsy and interesting budget every week. It is only $1 a year in advance.

—Mr. Cameron Warren, who has just graduated from the County Model School, has just been engaged by the trustees of Dublin School for next year. Mr. Midgley will resume his studies with a view to securing a higher certificate.

—Old Sol is getting ready for his entree into the sign of Capricornus. This occurs on the 21st, which will be the shortest day of the year. Although the sun will then commence to travel our way, the days are likely to grow colder as they lengthen.

—The Guelph *Herald* says:—"Phillip Grant, pumpmaker, Acton, was charged before Mayor Lamprey with exposing for public sale and public view an obscene photograph and picture in the township of Erin. He was remanded for the purpose of securing evidence." There is no pump maker of the name in Acton, nor is such a person known here.

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THE NEWS AT HOME.

Mostly of a Local Character, and every Item Interesting.

Educational Anniversary.

The usual services in the interests of the educational institutions of the Methodist Church were held on Sunday. Rev. John Potts, D.D., General Secretary of Education occupied the pulpit in the morning. His sermon was an able and eloquent one and illustrated vividly the duty of the church on this important question. The claims of the various educational institutions of the church were impressively set forth. The givings for the educational fund were considerably increased and aggregated about $50 for the day.

Knox Church Y. P. S. C. E.

At the annual meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society of Knox Church the following officers were elected for the ensuing term:—

Hon. Pres.—Rev. J. W. Rae.
President—Miss Jessie McDonald.
Vice-President—Miss Mary Lambert.
Rec. Sec.—Miss Rebecca Anderson.
Cor. Sec.—D. M. Henderson.
Treasurer—Miss Annie Smith.
Convenors of Committees—Look Out, Miss Armstrong; Prayer Meeting, Mrs. McPhail; Sunday School, Miss McPherson; Calling, Miss L. Scott; Social, Miss McPhail; Flower, Mr. J. H. Kennedy. Good Literature Miss M. Cobban.

This society is in a thriving and active condition and is doing good work. The programme of topics and leaders of services for next half year is now in the hands of the printer.

Methodist Sunday School Officers, 1896.

The annual meeting of this school was held Monday evening. Rev. J. E. Howell, M. A., pastor, occupied the chair. Encouraging reports were given by the superintendent and secretary showing that the past year has been a very successful one. The report will be presented at the anniversary on Christmas evening. The officers and teachers for the coming year were elected as follows:—

Superintendent—H. P. Moore.
Secretary Treasurer—R. J. Gurney.
Assistant Secretary—Miss Ida McNabb.
Librarians—C. Williams, C. H. Moore and A. E. Gurney.
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Teachers—Rev. J. E. Howell, M.A., Thos. T. Moore, Miss Maggie Matthews, J. S. Coleman, Miss Lottie E. Speight, Miss Mina Walker, George Vincent, Thos. Gamble, Mrs. James Moore, Mrs. H. P. Moore, Miss Wilkinson, Mrs. James McLean, Mrs. I. Frances, Miss Maggie Rhbage, Mrs. John Agnew, Mrs. C. C. Speight, Mrs. John Stephenson, Miss Clara E. Moore.
Reserve Teachers—Rev. W. Byers, Mr. I. Francis, Mrs. Oram and Misses Nettie Clark, Allie Laing, Nellie Brown and Annie Stephenson.

An increased number of supplies has been ordered and an addition will probably be made to the library early in the New Year.

A Serious Accident Postpones a Wedding

For several weeks preparations have been in progress at Willow Cottage, the home of our esteemed townsman, Mr. William Williams, in view of a joyous event to be consummated on Tuesday evening of this week—the marriage of Miss Annie, the eldest daughter, and Mr. John Hornby, of Port Huron. The evening before the wedding day, however, this ominous message was received: "Mr. Hornby badly hurt, cannot possibly be with you to morrow. Come." A wedding postponement is most keenly felt and this naturally cast a shadow over the home of the expectant bride. Miss Williams and her mother left by the morning train for Port Huron. They found that Mr. Hoanby, while at his work at the tunnel, had been caught between two cars and was painfully injured in the back and side. Prospects are good for his speedy recovery however, and no doubt in a few days the merry wedding bells will ring here. The Sarnia *Canadian* last week announced the coming marriage, spoke in the highest terms of the groom, referred to the preparations in progress at the new home on Chestnut street, Port Huron, and wished the happy couple much joy and a long life together.

The S. S. Christmas Entertainments.

The various Sunday Schools in town and the vicinity are actively engaged in preparing for the usual Christmas entertainments. Next Monday evening in the town hall the Sunday School of St. Alban's Church will give a Christmas programme which is calculated to excel that of any previous year....On Christmas evening the Sunday School of the Methodist Church will have a very interesting entertainment. The choruses, etc., given by this school have invariably been of a highly creditable character and those of this year will fully sustain this reputation. The Christmas decorations will add flavor to the proceedings and be of peculiar interest to the little folks....The Disciple Sunday School will give their Christmas entertainment on Friday evening, 27th Dec. The scholars are now being carefully trained and a pleasant evening is anticipated ...The Sunday School of Knox Church will as usual provide an enjoyable occasion for New Year's night. They will have several new features and no doubt be greeted with a large gathering....For many years the Ballinafad Methodist Sunday School has held a tea meeting on New Year's eve. This custom continues this year. Addresses will be given by a number of ministers, recitations by Mr. Hilts, and music by the choir of the Methodist Church, Acton....Surely with the above bill of fare the holidays will be sure to pass pleasantly.

Suddenly Called Home

On Monday afternoon death came very suddenly to Miss Robinson, sister to Mrs. Morrison, of the corner of Mill and Frederick streets, with whom she resided. Miss Robinson has been an invalid for a number of years and rarely left her room. During the past week or so, however, she felt better than usual and had ventured out to call upon a few friends. On this occasion she was proceeding to the home of Mrs. James Sharp on Yonge street. On the way she was overcome with weakness and Mr. W. H. Denny, who was passing, took her arm to assist her. When opposite Mr. Denny's door her strength entirely gave way and she fell. Kind hands carried her in but in a few moments she breathed her last. For years she had suffered from a severe affection of the heart and her physician states that the sudden death was due to the culmination of this trouble. Since her mother's death, some twenty years ago, she has resided with Mrs. Morrison and came with her to Acton about three years ago. She was an affectionate sister and was highly esteemed by those who made her acquaintance here. She was a devoted christian, a member of the Methodist Church, and exemplified her religion by word and deed. Her sudden death is a great shock to her sister and family. They have general sympathy. The funeral service was conducted yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock by Rev. William Bryers, and the remains were taken by the six o'clock train to Montreal to be deposited in the family plot in Mount Royal Cemetery.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

News Items Supplied by Correspondents and Exchanges.

CREWSONS CORNERS.

Mr. Vincent's lecture in the Methodist Church here last Tuesday evening was well attended. The lecture was very interesting.

Mr. Joseph Barr, who had his leg broken some weeks ago, by a stick of timber falling on it, is able to be around again.

Mr. George Cann has been confined to his house for the past week with an attack of inflammation. He is improving somewhat.

Miss Janet Kingsbury, of Rockwood, spent a few days last week with friends here.

Mr. B. McLean, of Ospringe, spent a few days last week with friends here.

Messrs. Thomas and Smith Nellos, who have been working at Palermo the past summer, are home for the winter.

Mr. A Lambert, of Huntsville, arrived home on Saturday.

Mr. Wesley Moore spent several days last week with friends in Toronto.

Mr. Adam Kingsbury, who has been in the North West for some months past, arrived home last week.

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NASSAGAWEYA.

Hare and partridge shooting season is over for another year and any person shooting this game will leave themselves open to the laws of the province. The only sport after this will be fox hunting. The foxes are not so plentiful in this section as they were last year.

Mr. D. P. Campbell and Misses Emma and Ada Campbell, of Kincardine, are visiting relatives and friends in Nassagaweya.

Public School examinations are the next order of the day. No. 4 section is to-day under Mr. G. O. McNair, teacher, and No. 9 section on Monday next, under the management of Miss L. C. Currie, teacher

There will be a Christmas tree in the Presbyterian Church, Sodom, on Monday evening, 23rd inst. A good time is expected.

The children are counting the nights till the time for Santa Claus with his Christmas presents comes again.

We wish the FREE PRESS a merry Christmas and a happy New Year when it comes.

On Peter Tiny's farm, Nassagaweya, the other day, a horse was hitched to an oak log, 12 feet long and 32 inches in diameter, and drew it 14 feet on the first draw. This was the result of a wager between two men, and one of the parties who was doubtful just lost one dollar.

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ROCKWOOD.

The auction sale of Mr Samuel Allan, lot 19, con. 5, Eramosa, last Friday was very successful. Auctioneer Hemstreet, who has been conducting sales in this section for twenty-three years, wielded the hammer. His old time energy was fully manifest.

Divine service will be held in St. John's Church on the afternoon of Christmas day at 5 o'clock.

The Rev. D. Strachan had the pleasure of uniting in marriage a young couple from Erin village, the other day who took the good old-fashioned way of going to be married. The couple were Mr. Jas. Irving and Miss Medley.

Last week some tramps who were loitering in the neighborhood took the school house for a lodging place and when the caretaker went to open the school last Thursday morning he found them lying around the stove, in which they had kindled a fire. They were arrested and brought before Mr. Harris but he let them off.

The "at home" of the A.O.U.W. on the 16th inst was a very enjoyable way of passing the evening. Numerous speeches were given interspersed with singing by the Quartette Club and some good readings by Mr John Jago.

Last Friday evening the I.O.F. concert was given to a good house. Mrs C. M. McCarthy sang and her audience enjoyed her singing very much. Her best number was a violin obligato by Mascheroni, in which Mr. A. O Strange performed the violin part. Miss Houston made her first appearance before a Rockwood audience, and we hope to have the pleasure of hearing her again. Her readings were well chosen and rendered excellently. Harry Rich made his first appearance here also and the audience was perfectly satisfied with him. His characters were imitated to perfection. J. Wyatt Trendell performed on the clarionet in his usual perfect style. Mrs. Dryden played the accompaniments and the singers and audience were delighted with her brilliant performances.

Rev. Robt McNair, the High Chief Ranger of the I. O. F., gave a spicy speech during the intermission and his facts were given in a way which did not bore that part of the audience which was not interested in the I. O. F. On the whole the concert was a success.

Dr. Livingstone, of Shakespeare, called on his Rockwood friends Saturday while driving through.

Mr. Will Storey and Misses Nicklin and Bryers called on Rockwood friends Sunday.

Three car loads of lambs were shipped from here on Saturday by Mr Scott, of Brampton, for which a good price was paid.

The cantata "Haymakers" is in good swing, plenty of talent being interested in its production.

Mrs. Lundy returned yesterday from the hospital at Guelph where she had been sent a couple of weeks ago suffering from diphtheria.

On Thursday Mr. Chas. Hills' child aged 2 or 3 years, fell off a chair and broke its collar bone.

Simon Grieve, one of our most enterprising citizens, has built a stone addition to his bakery.

We understand all of the churches are getting up special Christmas entertainments for the children.

PERISHED IN THE FLAMES.

Major and Mrs. Morrice Burned to Death at Winnipeg.

WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 16.—The Cauchon block, occupied by stores and a tenement building by some of Winnipeg's best families, was badly gutted by fire at seven o'clock this morning. There were about 70 people asleep in the building.

Major Morrice and Mrs. Murrice were burned to death, Mr. and Mrs. Baby seriously injured and many had narrow escapes. The loss will be about $30,000.

COMING AND GOING.

Visitors to and From Acton and Various Other Personal Notes.

THE FREE PRESS invite all its readers to contribute to this column. If you or your friends are going away on a holiday trip or if you have friends visiting you, drop a card to the FREE PRESS.

Miss Hattie Thomas is spending a few days at Milton.

Miss Leona Holmes visited friends in Milton last week.

Mr. Fred Watson, of Trafalgar, visited friends here over Sunday.

Mr. John Plitch and Laura visited friends at Omemee the past week.

Messrs. Ed. Nixon and Fred Wrigglesworth visited friends here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Grierson, of Eramosa, visited friends here last week.

Mr. Trueman Hall, of Orangeville, made Acton friends a short visit this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Stewart visited friends at Belwood and Hillsburg last week.

Mr. William King jr., of Gloversville, N. Y. and little daughter, visited his father here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rowland, of Toronto, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Firstbrook, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Matthews, of Brantford, are spending a week or two at the home of Mr. John Matthews.

Mr. H. H. Worden went to Gloversville, N.Y., on Monday in the interests of his firm Messrs. Jeans & Worden.

Mr. H. P. Moore attended the Sunday School anniversary services at Belwood, on Sunday, and spoke afternoon and evening.

Mr. W. B. L. Howell, B. A., who has been attending the School of Pedagogy at Toronto, has returned home for the holidays.

Mrs. Ross, of Caledonia, returned home last Thursday after spending several months with her daughter, Mrs. (Rev.) J. K. Godden, M.A.

The sad news of the death of Mr. Donald Kennedy, son of the late Malcolm Kennedy, reached the friends here on Sunday. Mr. Kennedy died at Cripple Creek, Col., where he was engaged in mining, from pneumonia. His remains were buried there with masonic honors. Mr. Kennedy was popular in his boyhood and young manhood here. He has been away from Acton for nearly twenty years.

GEORGETOWN.

Rev. Dr. Potts preached an eloquent sermon on education in the Methodist Church on Sunday evening. The church was crowded and the educational offerings largely in advance of any previous year.

Rev D. A. Moir lectured in Toronto Junction Monday evening. The *Globe* says: "Toronto Junction people turned out in good number Monday night to a very attractive programme at the Annette Street Methodist Church. Rev. David A. Moir, B.D., of Georgetown, gave a lecture on "Beautiful Hands," which was replete with words of wisdom interspersed with humor."

The meeting of young people from the Baptist Church of this district in the Baptist Church on Monday was largely attended and of a highly interesting character.

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