

**MARRIED.**

**HARRIS-HUNT**—At the home of the bride's parents on New Year's Day, by Rev. J. O'Neill of Maryborough, Rev. R. J. Hartwell of Galt, and Mrs. Priscilla, daughter of George C. Hunt, of Erin.

**DIED.**

**KENNEDY**—In Erin Tuesday morning, 2nd January, at the home of his widow, Mrs. Kennedy, 109 Main Street, Rev. Mr. Kennedy, his son, Rev. E. J. Kennedy, D.A., rector of Ancaster, and Rev. Mrs. Kennedy.

**MILLER**—In Galt, on Tuesday, 16th January, Nellie Maud, second daughter of C. J. Miller, of Galt.

**MCNAUL**—In Kincardine, Sunday January 14th, Anne widow of the late William McNaul, aged 74 years.

At his residence, 175 Union street east, Toronto, on Sunday, the 13th of January, the Rev. Wiliam Bell, D.D., in his 90th year.

**CHESTER**—At Galt yesterday on Sunday evening, 13th January, Mrs. Chester, widow of the daughter of Joseph Chesterstone, M.P., for Peel.

**PARKETT**—In Ancaster, on Wednesday, 16th January, Mrs. Alexander Parkett, mother of Thomas T. Moore, Principal Acton Public School, aged 72 years.

**The Acton Free Press.**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 1895.

OUR SUBSCRIBERS GIVE THEIR APPROBATION.

It was not without carefully considering the matter in all its relations, and arriving at the conclusion that it would be more satisfactory both to our subscribers and ourselves, that we adopted the plan requiring all subscriptions to the Free Press to be paid in advance. Years ago the city papers adopted this plan, but with newspapers published in the country it was an untried system. Swinging in the credit system which so largely prevails in mercantile lines throughout the country, local newspapers, with few exceptions, have failed to adopt this true principle of cash-in-advance.

Three years ago we put this plan into operation, and three years' experience has proved entirely satisfactory to the Free Press management.

Our subscribers have loyally stood by the Free Press and accepted the new system in a manner most pleasant and profitable to us. To day every subscriber is on an equal footing. Under the old "pay-when-you-please" regime a large proportion promptly renounced at the expiration of each year; many paid in three or four, or six months; a considerable number in from one to five years and some never paid at all. Now, every subscriber pays in advance. No favors are asked; if the Free Press is desired it is promptly paid for; if not, all that is necessary to have it discontinued is to fail to renew and it promptly ceases its weekly visits. By this method no person is forced to take our paper, as is the case where a paper is continued until a definite order to stop it is given.

A great many subscriptions expire at the beginning of the year. Nearly all of these have been renewed. A few remain unpaid, is your among the number? Look at the little name label on your paper and see. If it is you will avoid inconvenience and delay by renewing your subscription to-day. When sending your own renewal, if you will induce any one of your friends or neighbors to have send his or her name as a new subscriber, we will accept \$1.75 for the two subscriptions.

H. P. MOORE,  
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**NOTES AND COMMENTS.**

It is understood that Lord Salisbury is preparing a full statement of the Venetian question, which will be submitted to Parliament soon after it meets on February 11th.

At the annual meeting of the Halton Reform Association at Milton on Saturday it was decided to call a convention on Wednesday, Feb. 12th, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the House of Commons.

Senator Sewall of New Jersey presented a resolution in the United States Senate last week declaring that the Monroe doctrine was never intended to be applied in the manner proposed by President Cleveland and that the President's action was premature and inopportune in view of the financial condition of the country.

Every ten years the statutes of Ontario are revised and consolidated. This is the year for the undertaking, and we are informed that the work is now under way and will receive confirmation by the Legislature at the approaching session. Sir Oliver Mowat takes personal interest in this revision and devotes much time and attention thereto.

A most remarkable temperance convention was recently held in England. It was composed of some of the ablest and most representative men of all the churches who differed widely as to means and methods. Prohibition, local veto, high-tariff, each had strong advocates, but none could command their united support. Realizing how important their influence, if divided, they surrendered all personal and extreme views in the interest of unanimity and decided to submit their real advice and receive the hearty support of all. And now, with muted voice and in the name of all the good people of England, they demand of Parliament the enactment of such moderate measures into law.

**THE CABINET IS UNITED.**  
All The Cabinet Ministers are back but Sir Hibbert Tupper.

OTTAWA, 22nd January. The political storm is over for the moment, and every thing looks quiet and peaceful for the present, and every friend of the Conservative party sincerely hopes that no such storm will ever occur again.

It is said that almost every Conservative constituency in Nova Scotia was placed at the disposal of Sir Charles Tupper, by the men representing it, and that several Ontario and Quebec constituents did the same for him. Sir Hibbert finally accepted Cape Breton County because it was in that constituency he commenced the fight of 1878. Mr. Moore at once resigned and the writ was issued.

The business of the session is now going along quietly. The address in reply to the speech from the throne was moved by Mr. Powell, the new member for Westmeath, and seconded by Mr. J. A. McGillivray.

An Imperial decree has been issued announcing that the coronation of the Czar will take place in Moscow next May.

**THE NEW COUNCIL.**

**The Standing Committees Structured for the year, but not quite to Reeve Hawill's Likin.**

**A PLEASANT YEAR HOPE FOR**

The members elect the Council of this municipality by the Mayor, and the members of the Council are organized. After submittal to their certificates of qualification, Reeve Hawill and Councillors Nicklin, Francis, Brown and Matthews took their places.

The Reeve made a brief inaugural address. He said he welcomed the members to the Council of 1895. He did not know what the year would bring any special work of importance but that we cannot now determine. A year ago we had no idea that the question of fire protection would come up, and nothing likely to arise outside of a regular routine. The cemetery will require some attention, as there are trees to be planted and walks to be graded in the new survey. The work on the streets will be the principal material requiring the supervision of the Council. Mill Street must be repaired and there was some talk among the members of the Council last year of putting Church Street in a condition suitable for the heavy traffic of Boardman & Co. and have them confine themselves to that street. This committee will no doubt receive a great deal of attention. We may not all agree on all matters but we can have a friendly transaction of all business coming before us. The first business will be the appointment of standing Committees for the year.

Moved by William Brown, seconded by Francis. I trust the Reeve and Councillors Nicklin and Francis as a committee to strike standing Committees for the current year.

The following officers were elected:

President, Mr. McCrimmon, M. D.; Vice-Presidents, Messrs. J. H. McCollum and Robert Stewart; Secretary Treasurer, W. I. Dick; President for Businesses, Mr. Wm. Moore; President for Trafiguer, Mr. Henry Robinson; President for Natives, Mr. W. H. Hartwell; President for Natives, Mr. M. Hartwell.

Mr. Brown's name was thus substituted.

The committee retired, struck the committee, and subsequently returned to the chamber.

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