

## BANK OF HAMILTON HEAD OFFICE - HAMILTON.

## THE NEWS AT HOME.

Capital, \$1,000,000.  
Reserve Fund, \$625,000.  
Total Assets, \$8,500,000.

## HALTON AND THE NEW TARIFF.

This important Local Centre is Well Satisfied With the New Tariff Bill.

### Last Quarterly Communion.

The last quarterly communion service of the conference year and of the pastoratoe of Rev. J. E. Howell, M. A., in Acton, will be held in the Methodist Church next Sunday morning, commencing at 10:30 o'clock. The pastor will preach and the public service will be immediately followed by the love feast and sacrament.

### Don't Annoy Your Neighbors.

The garden and dooryard are now receiving attention—and this is the season of the year when poultry breeders and dog fanciers annoy their neighbors by allowing these animals to trespass. Owners of fowls and dogs should not allow them to run at large to the damage of other people's property.

With a view to securing the opinions of our local manufacturers with reference to how tariff the Free Press has waited upon them and received the following statement:

### ONIA GLOVE WORKS.

Mr. W. H. Storey of W. H. Storey & Sons, proprietors of the Canada Glove Works, expressed himself as well pleased with the new tariff as it affects the glove manufacturing business. He said: "We have not yet seen the full list of provisions affecting our industry, but so far as we have learned we are not affected adversely, their being no serious change in prices with some dread, however, on the 'foreign nation' side, which is to be extended to Germany and other countries outside of Great Britain. Should this be the outcome we would be affected prejudicially in our business. This seems to us the only thing we have to fear—if we omit the possibility of Great Britain becoming the entrepot for the distribution of the manufactures of these our chief competitors. Personally we feel very grateful to the Government for having in the new tariff treated the glove industry so considerately."

### BEARDMORE'S TANNERS.

Concerning the new tariff, Mr. A. O. Beardmore of Beardmore & Co., who manufacture solo, harness and belting leathers, said to the Free Press: "As there is no change in duties of the classes of leather we manufacture nor the raw material we use, we are not affected. We were well served under the old tariff. The new tariff will be of advantage we think, to some of the other leather tanners in the country who are manufacturing different lines to ours. As a whole the new tariff is satisfactory to us and we are particularly gratified with the preferential clauses relating to Great Britain. We consider this movement in the proper direction".

### MONITORING STORES.

Concerning the new tariff, Mr. W. H. Storey, proprietor of the Canada Glove Works, expressed himself satisfied because the tariff was not changed in its relations to the glove business. "Of course," he continued, "if the new tariff had been made adverse to our industry the effect would have been much more keenly felt by the laboring interests than by the manufacturers. The price of labor would necessarily have been reduced, as the margin on our goods is already so low we could not reduce the cost at any other point. We pay in Canada twice the prices for cutting and making paid in England and three times those of Germany and Belgium. I cannot see much in the new preferential clauses outside the question of loyalty to the mother country. Although an Englishman, I am strong for Canada for Canadians, because here a man may rise from the ranks and become a prosperous manufacturer himself; while in Great Britain this is impossible. I think the Government has done a good job in arranging the new tariff, though of course it is not possible to meet the needs of all classes, and in some cases manufacturers of isolated lines may suffer".

### ROCKWOOD.

The Rev. Mr. Strickland has tendered his resignation of his appointment as commissioner to the General Assembly at its meeting in Winnipeg in June next. Thomas Pigott, many years ago the principal stonemason in Guelph, died about a month ago in the town of Barrie, where he resided several years. He was about 70 years of age. He built the last and shoe mill in Rockwood, where Ralph Richardson's shingle mill is at present, and which he turned into a grist mill afterwards. The R. T. of T. had a pleasant "At Home" in the lobby room on the evening of the 20th inst.

### PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS.

The Trustee Board of the Methodist Church has under consideration improvements which will transform the exterior appearance of the edifice, to make more evident the interior and materially improve the building. It is proposed that the soft brick, which were unfortunately allowed to go into some of the upper courses of the exterior walls will be removed; the brick and mortar will be tinted and indispensible, the whole of the exterior wood-work is to be repainted, and there will also be minor improvements. In addition an alcove for the choir may also be erected in the rear. Tenders for the work will be asked for in the course of a week or so and it is intended, if the work is undertaken, to have it completed by the 1st of July. It is but fair to state that the consideration of these improvements, has been induced through the offer of a liberal subscription by an adherent of the church, a short time ago. This offer has been supplemented by a generous subscription list by the members and friends of the church. If all interested will assist in the matter the whole of the improvements referred to may be carried out. Archdeacon Ellis, of Toronto, was here on Tuesday taking measurements, etc., for plans and specifications.

### JOHN FILMAN AND W. PLANKIE.

John Filman and W. Plankie, both of Burlington, were caught by Chief Game Warden Tinsley shooting ducks on the north shore of the bay last week. They were fined \$10 each and their guns confiscated.

### MOSSE SMITH.

Mr. Mosse Smith has engaged with Arnold Bros. to run their tannery at Glenlawson. The partnership, Nicklin & Smith at Georgetown, has been dissolved.

### E. B. NICKLIN.

Mr. E. B. Nicklin will continue the business at Georgetown.

### LOCAL COMMITTEE.

The local committee appointed to arrange for the entertainment of Hallon County Union of the Y. P. S. C. E. to be held here in June, met in Knox Church last Saturday evening and advanced the matter several stages.

### MISS WILLIAMS.

Miss Williams had a secret that she squalidly whispered her, and she passed it to the wind while it stroked her velvet; little robin could not keep it, so he sang it loud and clear to the sleepy hills and uplands, "wake up! cheer up! spring is here!"

### ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of Guelph District will be held in the Methodist Church on Tuesday and Wednesday, 18th and 19th May. Between forty and fifty ministers and lay representatives will be in attendance. Rev. G. J. Scott, of Guelph, the chairman, will preside.

### PHYSIOLOGICAL LECTURES.

Prof. Coxon, a physiologist of the Fowler Institute who has just given fifteen lectures in the City Hall, Guelph, to crowded houses, is about to give a short course in the Town Hall, Acton, to-night and Friday evenings. For particulars see bills. The professor is a learned and fascinating speaker and will give the people a treat.

### T. D. BUZZELL & CO.

T. D. Buzzell & Co. will open a repository and auction mart at 730 to 740 Dorchester Street, Montreal, with stabling for about 100 horses. Auction sales will be held twice a week, and private sales daily. They have the best line of custom tailors and men's hats of all grades for export and home trade. Special facilities are given to patrons to dispose of their horses to best advantage. Charges moderate. Write them for terms and particular.

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## Merit Talks.

### COMING AND GOING.

#### Visitors to and From Acton and Various Other Personal Notes

The Free Press invites all its readers to contribute to this column. If you or your friends are going away, a holiday trip or if you have friends visiting you, drop a card to the Free Press.

Miss Jennie Christie, of Guelph, spent a week with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams, of Campbellville, visited Acton relatives this week.

Mr. James A. Matthews, of Orangeville, made Acton friends a brief visit last week.

Miss Jean Beattie, of Guelph, was a guest at the home of her brother last week.

Miss Esther A. Hughes spent several days last week at her father's home in Guelph.

Mr. Yates, of the Guelph Advocate staff, made the Guelph Advocate a pleasant call on Saturday.

Mr. H. Whistler, of Toronto, was the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Frank Harris, last week.

Rev. John Hough, of Guelph, who was ill for some time and subsequently rallied, is again very well.

Masters: Will and Charles Powell, of Guelph, spent Easter with their aunt, Mrs. T. E. M. Second.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hamstead, of Trafalgar, spent a couple of days last week with relatives here.

Miss Ida McNabb returned to Toronto General Hospital on Tuesday evening to resume her duties there.

Mr. Joshua Williams, of Maciste, Mich., spent a day or two during the week with his brother ex-Councillor Williams.

Messrs. Robert Agnew and Jas. Williams went to Elora on Tuesday to attend the funeral of the late Frank Dalby.

Mr. Asa Hall returned home from a lengthened visit to Penetanguishene on Monday. His many friends here welcome his return.

The death of Mr. Frank Dalby, of Elora, occurred on Sunday. Mr. Dalby was well known in Acton. He was in his 56th year.

Mr. Will Barry, of Barrie, who was visiting at the home of Mr. James Barry for a couple of weeks returned home yesterday.

Miss Eva McKeown, who has been a guest at the home of Mr. Arch. McNabb the past two or three months returned to her home at Southampton yesterday.

Mr. Arch. McNabb attended the Grand Camp of the Sons of Scotland at Toronto last week. Mr. J. A. McLean, of McLean & McLean, Barristers, was elected Grand Chieftain.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Storey and Mr. W. E. Smith went to Guelph on Friday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Sir Guye's mother, the late Mrs. Anna Smith, sr., who returned home on Monday.

Mr. D. Christie, superintendent of Chalmers Church Sunday School, Guelph, took part in the 21st Anniversary Service held in Dublin St. Methodist Sunday School of which Mr. R. E. Nelson, a former pinner, is superintendent, on Sunday.

ACTON ROLLER MILLS.

Market report April 20th, 1897.

Wheat, white, per bushel, 70 to 72c.

Rye, red, " " 68 to 70c.

Wheat, spring, " " 63 to 65c.

Potato, " " 30 to 32c.

Barley, " " 30 to 32c.

Flour, Ontario wheat, per 100 lbs, \$1.80.

Flour, Manitoba mixed, " " \$1.80.

Flour, Manitoba pure, " " \$1.80.

Cracked wheat, " " \$2.00.

Graham Flour, " " \$2.00.

Bran, " " per ton, \$10.00.

Shorts, " " \$10.00.

Middlings, " " \$10.00.

## SEEDS.

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We have everything for the Flower and Vegetable Gardens.

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