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THURSDAY, JANUARY, 20, 1898.

LITTLE LOCAL BRIEFLETS

Which Caught the Eyes or Ears of Free Press Reporters this week

—Success depends upon a liberal patronage of printing offices.—John Jacob Astor.

—The week of prayer will be observed in Knox Church next week. Rev. A. Blair, B. A., will assist the pastor.

—The first sittings of the Fourth Division court for 1898, held last Wednesday, had the largest docket for several years.

—Keep pushing: 'tis wiser than sitting aside, and sighing and watching and waiting the tide, in life's earnest battle they only prevail, who daily march onward and never say fail.

—The eleven o'clock train on Thursday morning decapitated a dog belonging to a resident in the east end. The canine attempted to cross the track when the train was in motion.

—The property of Duncan A. Grant, on Peel street, who left town between two days several weeks ago, is advertised for sale to satisfy a mortgage held by the Canadian Mutual Loan and Investment Co.

—A special gospel service will be held in the Disciples' Church to-morrow evening at 7.30. Sunday morning subject: "The Cure of Trouble"; evening, "The Natural Man, the Spiritual Man, and the two Natures in one Man."

—A kindly spirit of christian fellowship was that manifested in the fervent petition for the success of the special services in the Methodist Church, given utterance by Rev. H. A. Macpherson in his evening prayer in Knox Church last Sabbath.

—Some murmer when the sky is clear and wholly bright to view, if but one spot of dark appear in their great heaven of blue, and some with thankful joy are filled if but one streak of light, one ray of God's good mercy gild the darkness of their night.

—A letter from an old subscriber in Florida, says: "I remit for another year for your welcome weekly visitor the FREE PRESS. It seems to us like a letter from home and arrives at our home, here in Florida, regularly every Monday morning."

—The funeral of the late Mrs. Jeremiah Barrows last Thursday was attended by a large number of friends and neighbors. Messrs. W. H. Storey, John Kenny, Sr., Thomas Easton and W. P. Campbell acted as bearers, and Rev. J. K. Godden, M. A., conducted the service.

—Mr. J. J. Lawson has secured the right for the manufacture and sale of a new clothes reel, very neat and convenient. It will simplify the work of the housewife, can be used where there is not sufficient space for the old fashioned clothes lines, and will be a very durable and useful adjunct to the home.

—In order to introduce the FREE PRESS into new homes we are from week to week sending out numbers of sample copies. We would ask for the paper a careful perusal and if it meets your idea of a local family newspaper we will be pleased to enter your name upon our lists, upon receipt of $1.00 for a year's subscription.

—On Monday evening last Miss Warren received a very pleasant surprise when her Sabbath School class visited her and presented her with a handsome teacher's Bible. This thoughtful kindness is much appreciated by her. The scholars spent a couple of hours very pleasantly in entertaining and being entertained at her home on Mill street.

—If your local paper has trod on your toes a little in performing its mission don't get your back up and abuse the editor, but stop and take a long breath, think for a season, and see if you can't remember some kindness it has shown you in the past. Then reflect that it may not be long ere you want a favor again. Think a moment.

—If news from your neighborhood does not appear regularly in the FREE PRESS sit down and write it up yourself. Our present correspondents are doing good work for their friends and especially for those who have moved away from home and long for news of their old neighbors. Don't forget them. Hundreds of them all over the Dominion and the United States read the FREE PRESS. It is like a benediction to get a bright, newsy letter from home every week.

—FOUND—An I. O. U. for nearly three hundred dollars. If loser will call and pay for this notice he will get it from Mrs. S. A. Secord.

THE NEWS AT HOME.

Mostly of a Local Character, and every item interesting.

To Nominate a Liberal Candidate.

A convention of the Liberals of Halton for the nomination of a candidate for the Local Legislature will be held in the Town Hall, Milton, on Thursday afternoon, the 27th inst. at one o'clock, sharp. At two o'clock, the meeting will be addressed by the Hon. Mr. Davis, Provincial Secretary.

Oakville's Civic Salaries.

At the last meeting of Oakville Council a by-law appointing the municipal officers was passed, the appointments and salaries being as follows:—W. S. Davis, clerk, $200; Thos. Howarth, treasurer, $100; G. J. Sumner, constable, etc., $475; W. A. Ferrah, assessor, $75; Dr. Williams, medical health officer, $10.

Dehorning Cattle.

Last Thursday Messrs. Chas. Davidson, N. F. Lindsay and G. and A. McDonald had their herds of cattle dehorned with the latest improved method by Mr. Allan McDonald, V. S., Erin. It was performed in the presence of a number of prominent farmers and they were all of the opinion that Dr. McDonald was an expert at the business.

New Ten-ton Weigh Scales.

Contractor Lawson put in last week for Mr. John McQueen a new set of Wilson's weigh scales at his scale shed, corner Mill and Wilbur streets. They have a capacity of 20,000 pounds and were necessary for the business of of Beardmore & Co., and the Acton Tanning Co., who do their bulk weighing there. The new set is in fine working order and will no doubt give every satisfaction.

Thunder and Lightning in January.

Remarkable indeed was the heavy thunderstorm attending the January thaw last Wednesday night. The lightning was unusually vivid and the thunder severe. For fully an hour the electric current flashed across the heavens, the thunder pealed and the rain fell in torrents. The observatory at Toronto records lightning in January in 1873 and in 1882, but no thunder. Seldom, say old weather observers, do we have thunder in January.

Farmers' Institute Meeting in Acton.

President J. L. Warren and the local committee are completing arrangements for a meeting of Halton Farmers' Institute to be held in Acton on Friday, 11th February. In addition to local talent the following gentlemen from a distance will speak: Thomas McMillan, Seaforth, on "Breeding and Feeding of Beef Cattle," and "Making our Way in Life": W. W. Hilborn, of Leamington, on "Injurious Insects and Diseases," and "Ornamental Trees and Shrubs for the farm and how to care for them." The evening session will be of a popular character such as can be enjoyed by citizens as well as farmers. The subjects have been selected with this in view and they will be interspersed with music and other attractive features.

A New Swindling Fake.

An ingenious swindler is doing the country with a scheme that is decidedly to his own benefit, but injurious to his victims. His plan of operations, which can be testified to by a Queen Street lady is as follows: A few days ago the man came to the door of the Queen Street home and engaged a room and board, offering to pay for a week in advance if the landlady could change a ten dollar bill. The necessary change was secured and given him and the new boarder went out for a walk. And perhaps he is walking yet, for "he never came back, no he never came back." Upon investigation, it was discovered that the $10 bill he left for his board was only a $1 bill, raised to a ten by pasting on a cipher. Thus for one dollar he would receive about seven in change. Keep your eye open for him.—Berlin *News Record.*

Halton Sabbath School Convention.

The programme for the Halton Sunday School Association's Convention to be held at Oakville, on February 3rd and 4th has been issued. It contains a good selection of subjects that will no doubt make the convention interesting. Here are the names of outsiders who are to take part: Revs. J. Fennell, O. G. Langford, Georgetown; J. P. McQuarrie, Tansley; J. A. McLachlan, H. A. Macpherson, Acton; Jas. Kendall, R. J. Elliott, Dr. Abraham, Burlington; D. W. Snider, Milton; J. L. Gilmore, F. E. Howitt, W. L. Rutledge, Hamilton; T. R. Clarke, Omagh; and Alfred Day, secretary of the provincial association; J. S. Deacon, Milton; H. P. Moore, Acton; E. H. Cleaver, W. V. Hopkins, Burlington; T. W. Stevenson, Snider's Corners. Besides these, an array of local talent will participate in the proceedings.—Oakville *Star.*

A Just Objection.

No merchant in Acton nor in any other town welcomes the periodical visits of the Weights and Measures Inspector. They have no fear of his finding their scales dishonest, but they have a serious objection to his fees, which they think are unjustly opposed upon them, instead of upon the country at large. The Ottawa *Citizen* in speaking upon the subject says: "The retail merchant has good cause for objecting to the payment of $2 for every inspection of his weigh scales by the inspector of weights and measures. The inspection is necessary in the public interest, and the public ought to pay for the same in full. No good reason can be given why a merchant whose scales are correct ought to be assessed that the public may be assured of that fact. He does his full duty when he sees to it that his scales give honest weight."

The Teaching Days of 1898.

High School and Collegiate Institutes and Public and Separate Schools in the cities, towns and incorporated villages have the following number of teaching days in 1898: Dates of opening and closing: Open 3rd January, close 7th April; re-open 18th April, close 30th June; re-open 1st September, close 22nd December. In January there are 21 teaching days, February 20, March 23, April 15, May 21, June 22.—Total 122. In September 21, October 21, November 22, December, 16—Total 80. Rural, Public and Separate schools have the following number of teaching days in 1898: Dates of opening and closing—Open 3rd January, close 7th April; re-open 18th April, close 30th June; re-open 15th August, close 22nd December. Allowance is made in the above for all holidays, except any public feast or thanksgiving day, or local municipal holiday.

LITERARY NEWS.

The *Canadian Electrical News and Steam Engineering Journal* for January contains an interesting account of the complimentary banquet tendered in Toronto to Mr. H. P. Dwight, President of the G. N. W. Telegraph Co., upon the completion of his fiftieth year of service in connection with the telegraph business in Canada; also descriptions of lighting plants, the moonlight schedule for electric lighting stations, and the first of a series of articles by Mr. Wm. Thompson, of Montreal West, on "Corrosive and Scale-forming Agents in Boiler Feed Waters." C. H. Mortimer, Publisher, Toronto.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

News Items Supplied by Correspondents and Exchanges.

LIMEHOUSE.

Since the destructive fire which annihilated the long established woolen business of John Newton & Son, about five years ago, this village has been free from fires. Yesterday morning, however, the devouring flames again visited us. About two o'clock the store and residence occupied by N. Brown were totally destroyed. The origin of the fire is unknown. The buildings belonged to John Lambert, Guelph. Both the stock and buildings were insured.

MILTON.

Messrs. G. E. McCraney and J. F. Little are the municipal auditors for this year.

The town council's standing committees for the year have been appointed as follows:—

Finance — Deacon, R. L. Hemstreet, Earl.

Waterworks—Armstrong, Bastedo, Earl, Alexander, Somerville.

Streets and Sidewalks—Peacock, Bastedo, R. L. Hemstreet.

Light—Somerville, Alexander, McDowell.

Town Hall—G. A. Hemstreet, Armstrong, Peacock.

Printing and Contingencies—Bastedo, G. A. Hemstreet, Somerville.

Police and Public Morals—Alexander, McDowell, Armstrong.

Special Communications—Earl, G. A. Hemstreet, Deacon.

At the preparatory service in the Presbyterian Church, at which Rev. Mr. Macpherson, of Acton, addressed the congregation, forty new members were received as a result of the recent special services.—*Reformer.*

NASSAGAWEYA.

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Mission Circle of the Ebenezer church was held last Sunday evening. There was an excellent programme given which was highly appreciated by the large crowd who heard it.

Missionary sermons will be preached on Nassagaweya circuit next Sunday by Rev. J. G. Scott.

Special services were commenced in the Presbyterian Church, Sodom, Tuesday evening and will be continued through this week. Rev. Mr. Blair, pastor, and Rev. H. A. Macpherson, of Acton, are conducting the services.

A very heavy thunder storm passed over this section last Wednesday evening. There was no damage done here.

The tea-meeting at Moffat last Tuesday was quite a success. There was a large crowd and a very good programme. Some of the boys got noisy during the programme, which was a serious drawback.

Mr. John Anderson intends moving to Guelph shortly where he has secured a situation with the Tolton Bros. agricultural works.

ROCKWOOD.

Quite a number of visitors from Acton attended the carnival here on Saturday night. The event was quite a success. The prizes were awarded as follows:—Best Indian, M. Munroe, Rockwood; best cowboy, Alf. Gardiner, Acton; best farmer, E. Statham, Rockwood; best negro, T. Kurp, Guelph; best Chinaman, W. Bragg, Rockwood; best dude, L. Moore, Acton; best dressed boy under 13, S. Croft; most comically dressed lady, Miss E. Lynch, Guelph; best lady skater, Miss B. Magee, Rockwood.

Rev. T. J. Sabine was the recipient of a fine young horse as a New Year's gift from his friends on the Drew Circuit.

The Acton Hockey Team will play the village boys on Friday evening. Game to be at 7.30 or 8 o'clock. Admission 5c. The cheap admission is intended to encourage all who wish to see the game, to attend.

The Eramosa Agricultural Society held their annual meeting in the Town Hall last Friday.

The estate of the late George Padmore was sold by public auction on Saturday last. Mrs. David Day bought the property, comprising four lots with house and barn.

EVERTON.

Last Wednesday evening while the people were gathering for prayer service in both the churches here, the thunderstorm, which seemed so out of season, came nearer and nearer until we noticed a fire. On account of the heavy fog people were deceived as to the distance, some thinking it was miles away while others thought it quite close. The churches were closed and while some got horses and rigs others rushed off on foot to give assistance to those in need of it. Soon word came to those anxiously waiting in their homes that Wm. Jackson's barn was struck by lightning. The family and neighbors succeeded in getting all the animals out except eight head of cattle and some fowls. The implements, grain, hay, straw and turnips were, with the barn, destroyed. Loss partly covered by insurance. The family have the sympathy of the whole community. The neighbors and friends offered shelter for the animals which were so suddenly made homeless.

Daniel Simons had the misfortune to cut his foot on Thursday while chopping wood. The doctor put several stitches in it, yet we hope he will be around again in a week or so.

Some of the residents were favored with a call from Miss Marshall this week.

CREWSON'S CORNERS.

Morgan Crewson is engaged in drilling a rock well. His new steam drilling machine is far superior to the old horse-power drill and a good deal less expensive.

Mr. Robert Snider is spending a few weeks with friends in Mount Forest.

Mrs. W. Y. Gray and Mrs. Lamb are visiting friends in Orton and Hillsburg.

Mr. Samuel Brown, who has been in Neepawa, Manitoba, for the past five or six years arrived home last week to spend a month or so with friends here. His many friends are pleased to meet him again.

Mr. John Campbell, of Fort Erie, is visiting at his uncle's Mr. Jas. Gamble's.

Mr. John Nickell, who resides with his son Mr. J. R. Nickell, is very ill.

A meeting which had for its object the organization of a Crokinole and Checker Club was held last Thursday night. With Mr. Geo. Cann in the chair the following officers were elected:

President—Nicolas Forbes.
Vice President—Edwin Cripps.
Treasurer—Geo. Cann.
Secretary—Chas. Gamble.
Referee—Wm. Cripps.

The following committee was appointed to draft by-laws governing the club: Messrs. W. R. Cripps, Jas Ramshaw, Geo. Cann and N. Forbes. The first meeting of the club was held on Monday evening and was largely attended.

COMING AND GOING.

Visitors to and From Acton and Various Other Persons—Notes

The FREE PRESS invites 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 Hewitt, of Ripley, visited Acton friends last week.

Mr. William Barry, of Barrie, is visiting at his father's home.

Mr. Herb Lee, of Rockwood, visited Acton friends on Saturday.

Mr. John Uren, of St. Mary's, was the guest of his son, Dr. J. F. Uren, the past week.

Mrs. Eli Snyder, of Elmira, has been visiting relatives and friends in town the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. McBeath, of Bruce County, are guests of their son Mr. J. G. McBeath, merchant.

Mr. F. H. Deacon has passed the Examination of the Toronto Normal School. —*Reformer.*

Misses Libby May and Miss Hall, of Hornby, spent a few days this week with Acton friends.

Mr. Samuel Brown, of Neepawa, Man., is home to spend a month or so after five years' absence.

Miss Ettie Dills left on Saturday morning for Nanticoke to attend the funeral of Mr. Lawrence Pratten.

Mr. William Clark has remove to Brantford where he has secured a situation with the Verity Plow Co.

Miss Wren, of Seaforth, has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. McTavish and other friends for several weeks.

Rev. J. K. Unsworth, of Scotland, Ont., has been invited to the pastorate of the Congregational church, Guelph.

After the burial of her mother last Thursday Miss Hannah Burrows went to Georgetown to spend a few days with friends there.

Mrs. Wm. Paget, of Norwood, and Mrs. Harry Geo, of Toronto, visited at the homes of Messrs. A. Stephenson and Jas. McLam last week.

Miss Emma M. Moore, of Toronto, who has spent a month at her home here, very pleasantly, returns to her professional duties in the city to-day.

Mr. Joseph Moore, of Toronto, who was a familiar character in Acton back in the sixties and seventies, spent a few days during the week renewing the friendships of yore.

Mr. Robert Johnson has been in Toronto since Monday, called there through the serious illness of his daughter, Mrs. James H. Reed, who is in the Toronto General Hospital.

Miss Nellie Matthews left on Monday to take a situation in Berlin. Her sister, Miss Maggie, preceded her a week or so ago. Miss Matthews will be missed from the Methodist Church Choir.

Mr. Isaac Bennett, Sr., of Manitoba, has been visiting friends in Erin and Acton the past few weeks. His old friends were pleased to meet him again and to hear of the prosperity of himself and family in the West.

Rev. S. Sellery has declined the invitation to the pastorate of North-st. Methodist church, Goderich. When his time is up here he will most likely accept the call to Zion Tabernacle, at Hamilton.—Guelph *Mercury.*

From the Lowell, Mich., *Journal*, we learn that Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Flanagan, and daughter, well known in Acton, have gone to Los Angeles, Cal., with the hope that the climate will benefit Mr. Flanagan's health.

Mr. J. P. Secord, of Orillia, made his mother a brief visit last week. Mr. Secord was one of the mayoralty candidates at the recent municipal elections in his town, but was so badly handicapped through illness confining him to the house during the contest, that he won only second place.

When Mr. W. S. Hall, of Hornby, returned home from California he left his son George at Redlands for the winter. Last week news came that he was very ill and Mrs. Hall left on Friday to care for him. It is a long, tedious journey but mother-love knows no barriers when her children need her care and ministration.

GEORGETOWN.

The anniversary services of the Congregational Church were a great success. The church was crowded at each service and two excellent sermons were preached by the Rev. Dr. Bevis, of Hamilton.

Missionary anniversary services were conducted in the Methodist Church by the Rev. R. W. Woodsworth, President of Hamilton Conference. The amount contributed was a large advance over last year. It was announced that missionaries would probably be sent to the Klondike region and that such a mission would cause a heavy expense to the society.

The Rev. J. McD. Kerr will begin evangelistic services in the Methodist Church a week from next Sunday.

The officials of the Baptist Church have given a call to the Rev. Mr. McAlpine, of Whitby. It is not yet reported whether he will accept.

Mr. Davis, of the Northwest, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Rease.

"Oliver Goldsmith" was the subject of the literary department last Monday evening at the Epworth League of the Methodist Church. The social department has announced a sleighing party for Friday night next to be held to Mr. H. A. Reed's on the 8th line. The young people are looking anxiously for the probabilities.

The sleighing is poor but business is good.

The curlers are very busy practising on the pond. The rink is not yet opened but good ice is expected this week.

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HORNBY.

The Halton Farmers' Institute held their annual meeting in the Orange Hall at Hornby last week and was a great success both in attendance and it interest. Mr. J. L. Warren, of Acton, President, took charge of the meeting, assisted by the Secretary, Mr. W. B. Robbins, of Freeman. Addresses of great practical value were delivered by Mr. L. Patton, of Oxford Mills, on "Dairying" and "The Farmers of the future;" also by Prof. Day, of Guelph, who spoke on "The Breeding and Feeding of Stocks," and "The Work of the Agricultural College. Mr. W. M. Orr gave an address on "The San Jose Scale," and exhibited limbs of trees on which these insects could be seen in great numbers. Mr. Wm. S. Hall, of Hornby, who has just returned from California, reported that this insect is destroying not only fruit trees but also the forests.

At the evening meeting the Hall was crowded. In addition to the excellent addresses given by the Governmental deputation a large and varied programme of vocal and instrumental music was given by the young people of Ashgrove and Hornby. As a variety in the programme the Rev. G. A. Mitchell, of Georgetown, interested the farmers by proving to them that they had "A Gold Mine on Every Farm." His treatment of the subject made them feel that they were rich in their farm possessions and products. Mr. Mitchell claimed that golden sunshine, silver rain drops and diamond dew drops falling on properly prepared soil resulted in golden honey, golden eggs, butter, cheese, vegetables, fruit, grain, etc. to the amount of $170,000,000 for Ontario farms. Such a mine of wealth is richer and more certain than the Klondyke and can be worked on every farm. It simply means wise application of head, heart and hand, added to the patient and intelligent use of the most improved methods taught and illustrated by our Agricultural College staff and by practical farmers. He claimed that home life on the farm under these circumstances was the most comfortable and satisfactory in the land.

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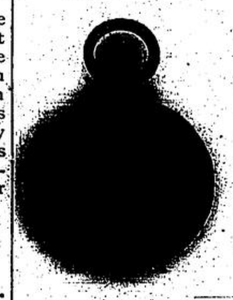

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