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The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 1898.

LITTLE LOCAL BRIEFLETS

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

—Good Friday—to-morrow.

—Easter will be welcomed by all.

—Eggs are selling for nine cents here.

—To-morrow—Good Friday—is a statutory holiday.

—Easter lilies will be much in evidence the next few days.

—Easter services will be held in all the churches next Sunday.

—March went out very quietly. The day was bright and beautiful.

—Mr. W. S. Hall, of Hornby, has been appointed a San Jose scale inspector.

—Schools closed last evening for Easter holidays; will re-open on Monday, 18th inst.

—Rev. Father Feeny conducted Palm Sunday services at Georgetown on Sunday.

—The Easter fare to Toronto and return is 50 cents. Tickets good to go to-day and return on Tuesday.

—Mr. Adam Cook is arranging for the erection of a couple of double brick stores on the Church Street front of his property.

—A memorial service, relative to the late Miss Edna Maltby, will be held in the Methodist Church next Sunday morning.

—Mrs. S. A. Secord has leased the store between Panabaker's tinshop and McKee's drugstore to Mr. R. Joyce, of Manswood, for a meat shop.

—Eggs are a trifle on the upward tendency this week. Nine cents a dozen, as they were the past week, is an unprecedented pre-Easter price.

—Last week Mr. Alfred Stone, of Guelph, shipped thirty-two Hereford bulls to the Reynold Cattle Company, Channing, Texas, for which he received $5000.

—Good Friday service will be held in St. Alban's Church to-morrow morning at 10.30. On Easter Sunday there will be special music by the choir at both services.

—The annual seed catalogue of G. J. Thorp, the well-known Guelph seedman, has been received. It is well arranged and comprehensive. A copy well be sent free to every applicant.

—Mr. James Currie, of first line, Erin, has shown signs of mental aberration lately, and for the protection of himself and family he was taken to Guelph on Friday last. It is hoped the trouble will be only of a temporary character.

—Mr. James E. Day, acting for Frank Benson, whose horses were killed in a collision with the C. P. R. train last November, near the York road, has succeeded in getting $1000 in settlement of all claims against the company.—Guelph *Mercury.*

—The boys have already begun the thoughtless annual slaughter of robins and bluebirds. It might be well for all to understand that the only birds one can legally shoot now are crows, blackbirds, hawks and English sparrows. All others are protected by the game laws until September 1st.

CREWSONS CORNERS.

The frosty weather of the past few days has been very trying to the fall wheat crop in this vicinity.

We noticed last week in the Nassagaweya correspondence to the FREE PRESS an item stating that the Crokinole Club of this place had received a challenge from the Nassagaweya club to play a game, but were afraid to accept, and for that reason they, the Nassagaweya club, claimed the championship. As this is the first notice we ever had of the existence of the Nassagaweya club we were surprised that the correspondent would make such statements. If there is such a club Crewsons Corners now challenge them to name a date and come and play our club, then perhaps they will not be so sure of having gained the championship.

Mr. W. Lamb has purchased from Mr. D. Townsend his farm consisting of 140 acres, at a very fair figure. As Mr. Lamb is one of our most enterprising farmers we wish him success. He gains possession next fall. Mr. Townsend intends moving to the Northwest.

We are sorry to hear of the continued illness of Mr. Hugh McLaughlin, of Nassagaweya, who is confined to the house with a severe attack of rheumatism.

Councillor A. J. Murray, of Acton, spent a day or two at the home of his father, Mr. J. Murray, Rose Hill, this week.

Mrs. J. Anderson, of Arkell, spent a day or so this week at the home of Mr. N. Forbes.

Miss Aggie Anderson, who has been spending the past three or four months with friends here and in Nassagaweya, returned to Toronto on Monday.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund the money if it fails to Cure. 25 cents.

THE NEWS AT HOME.

Mostly of a Local Character, and every Item Interesting.

An Appreciable Difference.

The policy holders of the Gore District Mutual Fire Insurance Co., of Galt, have an experience very different to that of the policy holders in another company doing business here. The Gore is giving its policy holders a refund of 20 per cent. on the premiums paid in 1897. The contrast with the other company referred to is that those insured are specially assessed, above the usual assessments, 20 per cent. extra on their premium notes, to keep the machine going.

Held in Kindly Remembrance.

The Public School pupils in the three departments from which classes were promoted this week, as a result of the Easter examinations, remembered very kindly the teachers they were leaving with pretty mementos. Miss McPhail received a pretty silver sugar shell and other gifts; Miss Patterson a dainty sachet and toilet articles and Miss McQueen a beautiful photograph album.

Stock Moving Out Rapidly.

Mr. Robert Holmes, drover, has been relieving the farmers of a large quantity of fat stock the past few weeks, and has made their hearts glad by paying good prices for them. Last Wednesday he shipped a car of hogs to Toronto, and on Thursday two cars of cattle for the eastern markets. The cattle were among the best that have been shipped here this spring and were a credit to the farmers who fed them.

Our Country Roads.

Provincial Road Inspector Campbell has received intimation that between 30 and 40 township municipalities have this year adopted his plan for making the best of the statute labor system of roadmaking. His method is to appoint a road supervisor for the township, who will be a paid official. The roads are then divided into five-mile districts and a foreman appointed for each. All the roads and road-making in the township will be under the direction of the supervisor. The townships are buying machinery and, altogether, a decided forward step in the direction of good roads is evident.

Improving Their Premises.

Owing to their increasing business and the necessity for additional space Messrs. Gurney & Co. have cut an archway at the rear of their store and thus effected a convenient way up stairs. The second flat is now devoted to gents' furnishings, hats, caps, ladies' shirt waists and several other departments. The room thus secured downstairs is now taken up with a stock of boots and shoes, an entirely new department. The firm have also put in a new fire-proof safe.... By there arrangement of his boot and shoe store W. Williams has made space for a much larger stock this spring than he ever before carried. The store is much improved in appearance also by the change.

Rev. Mr. Forbes' Farewell at Caledon.

Rev. T. R. Forbes preached his farewell sermon at the Caledon appointment of the Churchill Congregational Circuit on Sunday, 27th ult. A member of the congregation writes in last issue of the *Congregationalist*, with reference to Mr. Forbes' pastorate, as follows:—"He has worked faithfully among us for fifteen months. During that time there were only two Sundays that he failed to come, although he had to drive a distance of fourteen miles from his home at Acton. We found Mr. Forbes a kind friend and a faithful pastor, striving by word and deed to advance the cause of the Master, whom he so faithfully served. On account of some of our already few members leaving the neighborhood, we have decided not to call another minister."

How the Matter is Viewed.

Two farmers were recently discussing their local paper. One thought it had too many advertisements in it. The other replied: "In my opinion the advertisements are far from being the least valuable part of it. I look them over carefully and save at least five times the cost of the paper through the business advantages I get from them." Said the other: "I believe you are right—I know that they pay me well and rather think it is not good taste to find fault with the advertisements after all." It pays any man with a family to take a good local paper for the sake of the advertisements if nothing more, and if business men fail to give farmers a chance to read advertisements in the local paper, they are blind to their own interests to say the least of it. "You never trade with me," said a business man to a prosperous farmer. "You have never invited me to your place of business, and I never go where I am not invited; I might not be welcome," was the reply.

The Crokinole Club Concert.

The programme provided by the committee in charge of the closing concert under the auspices of the Crokinole Club, last Monday evening, was deserving of a larger audience than that which assembled. Those who attended enjoyed an evening of genuine musical merit. Every number on the liberal programme was applauded and several very hearty encores were responded to. The vocalists were in excellent form; their selections were well chosen and rendered with credit. Mrs. C. McCarthy, of Toronto, was very happy in her several solos and there was no lack of manifestation of appreciation on the part of the audience. She is a charming singer. Miss Nicklin, though just recovering from severe illness, rendered two numbers in her well-known style. She is always given a cordial reception. Mr. E. B. Jackson, as a baritone soloist, rivals any singer of his class who has appeared here for many months. His selections were peculiarly fitted to his well-modulated voice and his singing showed careful training under experienced teachers. He will always receive the best possible hearing in Acton. The audience gladly gladly welcomed Mr. A. O. Beardmore again. It is a couple of years since he last sang here. His numbers were also well chosen and his interpretation of the composer's inspirations was true indeed. Mr. Brent Woodword, of Toronto, proved himself a basso of remarkably deep and rich compass. It was his first appearance in Acton, but his visit made numerous friends. Mr. Shaw, of Glenwilliams, rendered two military songs in a manner which proved him a very capable musician. No artist of the evening was accorded more vociferous greeting and applause than our local humorist Mr. Flandigan. As a depictor of Irish character in song and impersonation he is a favorite here. Miss Clark was accompanist for all the vocalists and her part was most skillfully and acceptably performed. She is quite an acquisition to our musical circles and her services will henceforth be in demand. The Jubilee Orchestra played a number of selections during the evening and showed that by their practice they are rapidly improving. Mr. W. Williams, president of the club, presided with grace becoming the position.

If you want first-class Guelph sash and doors at Guelph prices, T. EDGAR, can fill your order at his planing mill.

THE EASTER EXAMINATIONS.

Pupils of Acton Public School Promoted to Higher Classes.

The Easter examinations in the public school were held last week. The results in the various departments were as follows:—

FROM JUNIOR III TO SENIOR III.

Fred Bastwood,	Maud Collins,
Bert Smith,	Anna Oram,
George Hynds,	Lena Collins,
B. Swackhamer,	Josie Stephenson,
John McCann,	Florence Soper,
Herbert Fyfe,	Mary Goodeve,
Willie Harding,	Gertrude Walters,
Albert Edmiston,	Minnie McPherson,
Chas. Hildenbrand,	May Worden,
Maggie Harvey,	Maggie Arthurs,
Ida Laird,	Ida Day,
Ada Gurney,	Mabel McPhail,
Clara Ebbage,	Lyle Grindell.

C. MCPHAIL, Teacher.

FROM SENIOR SECOND TO THIRD.

Mina Ruddick,	Jennie Harding,
Ena Pearson,	Lillie Creamer,
Florence Murray,	Jennie Smith,
Hazel Mann,	Mary Mills,
Una Kenney,	Philip Holmes,
George Smith,	Willie Prout,
John Saunders,	Joe Arthurs,
Willie Smyth,	Robbie Hynds,
Harold Nicklin,	Tona McArthur,
Ernest Perryman,	Jennie Grant.
Tillie Bingham,	

FROM JUNIOR SECOND TO SENIOR SECOND.

Hilton Jeans,	Daniel Ritchie,
M. McEachern,	Frank Holmes,
Myrtle Cook,	Ernest Gurney,
Frank Havill,	Moses Ballantine,
Vida Folster,	Willie Plant,
Florence Holmes,	Ruby Clark,
Annie Corry,	Janie Simons,
Willie Ballantine,	Elwin Perryman,
Edna Stewart,	Annie Harvey,
Artie Ramshaw,*	Marcus Perryman*

Names marked * did not obtain the number of marks required for promotion, but were allowed to go forward on trial.

IDA E. PATTERSON, Teacher.

FROM PART II. TO JUNIOR SECOND.

Roy McPhail,	Hazel Mason,
Laura Moore,	Austin McCann,
Morton Tovell,	Joe DeClute,
Myrtle Soper,	Mamie Agnew,
Myrtle Dills,	Ethel Thomas,
Gertie Statham,	Charlie Matthews,
Clifford Ramshaw,	David Mills,
Archie Wilson,	Irene Mullen,
Edith Smith,	Lois McLachlan,
Martha Storey,	Walter Bauer,*
Lottie Mason,*	Mary Sinclair,*
Hazel Arnold,*	Bert Holmes,*
Edgar Abraham,*	Alphaeus Bell,*
Tom Creamer,*	Bertha Gamble,*
Mamie Mason,*	Edna Coon,*

Names marked * did not obtain the number of marks required for promotion but were allowed to go forward on trial.

FROM PART I. TO PART II. OF THE FIRST READER.

Walter Saunders,	Gertie Swackhamer
Fred Forbes,	Edith McEachern,
David Folster,	Eva Jeans,
Clara Moore,	Vincent Goodeve,
Laura Coon,	Laura Coleman.
Florence Speight,	

E. H. MCQUEEN, Teacher.

OUR LOCAL LEGISLATORS.

Reeve Pearson Takes His Seat in the Reeve's Big Chair.

Council met on Monday evening and business was proceeded with promptly at eight o'clock.

Reeve-elect Pearson having subscribed to the declarations of office and of qualification took his seat without further ceremony.

Councillors all present.

The Committee on Finance presented their fifth report recommending payment of accounts as follows:—

R. Bingham, work on streets	$ 7 50
W. Smith, work on streets	7 50
H. P. Moore, printing, &c	5 60
J. Evans, work on fire alarm	2 50
E. Pearson, cleaning fire engine	2 00
H. J. McNabb, copying by-law	1 00
A. T. Brown, stationery	40
	$26 50

The report was adopted.

Moved by Jas. Clark, seconded by John Clarke, that leave be granted to introduce a by-law for the purpose of authorizing the Reeve and Treasurer to borrow such sums of money as the corporation may require for current expenses of the present year.—Carried.

The by-law was read the required number of times and passed.

The following letter from the officers of the Free Library Board was presented and read:—

Office of Acton Free Library.
Acton, April 4th, 1898.

To the Reeve and Councillors,
Village of Acton.

GENTLEMEN:—At the meeting of the Free Library Board last Friday evening, 1st April, a resolution was passed in harmony with the provisions of the Free Library Act, requesting the municipal Council to loan the Board the sum of Two Hundred Dollars ($200.00), for the purchase of new books for the library, said sum to be repaid to the Council upon receipt of Government grant, allowed on the purchase.

Trusting the matter will receive your prompt and favorable attention,

We are, yours respectfully,
J. B. PEARSON, Chairman.
H. P. MOORE, Secretary.

Moved by John CLARKE, seconded by Jas. Clark, that leave be granted to authorize the Treasurer to provide the Secretary of the Free Library with the sum of $200, being amount required to purchase new books, the same to be repaid by the Library Board on receipt of Government grant.—Carried.

After some time spent in desultory conversation the Council adjourned.

THE FREE LIBRARY BOARD.

Organized and Hard at Work in Arranging for the New Library.

Owing to the illness and death of the late Reeve Storey matters in connection with the new Free Library were held in abeyance for several weeks. The Board is now organized, however, and the members are actively engaged in assorting the old Public School Library, and will, probably before the present week is out, have selected several hundred volumes of the latest works suitable for a public library. The members of the Board are most interested in the movement and we expect before many weeks to have one of the best public libraries in a town of Acton's size in the province in successful operation.

The first meeting of the Free Library Board was held in the Council chamber last Friday evening, April 1st.

Members were present as follows:—Revs. J. A. McLachlan, M.A., J. K. Godden, M. A., H. A. Macpherson, Reeve Pearson, John Cameron, Thos. T. Moore and H. P. Moore.

Upon motion the Reeve was elected Chairman and H. P. Moore Secretary.

Moved by Rev. H. A. Macpherson, seconded by Rev. J. A. McLachlan, that a committee be appointed to examine the books of School Library.

A letter from the Public School Board handing over the control of the old library to the Free Library Board was read.

Moved by Rev. H. A. Macpherson, seconded by Thos. T. Moore, that the old library tendered by the Public School Board be accepted, and that our thanks be conveyed to the Board.—Carried.

Moved by Thos. T. Moore, seconded by John Cameron, that the Board be a Committee of the Whole to examine and assort the old library.—Carried.

Moved by H. P. Moore, seconded by Rev. H. A. Macpherson that the Committee meet to perform above work on Wednesday evening next.—Carried.

The secretary was instructed to write the various publishing houses for copies of their catalogues.

Moved by H. P. Moore, seconded by John Cameron that this Board request a loan of $200.00 from the municipal Council for the purchase of new books, until the receipt by the Board of the government grant to the Library Board.—Carried.

Moved by Thos. T. Moore, seconded by Rev. H. A. Macpherson that Revs. H. A. Macpherson, J. K. Godden, M. A., J. A. McLachlan, M. A., Jno. Cameron, H. P. Moore and the Chairman, be the Board's Committee to select the new books.—Carried.

Board adjourned to meet next Wednesday evening, 6th inst., at 7 o'clock.

"No, people who live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones."

"Why?"

"Because the occupants can see them do it."

No person should go from home without a bottle of Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Dysentery Cordial in their possession, as change of water, cooking, climate, etc., frequently brings on summer complaint, and there is nothing like being ready with a sure remedy at hand, which oftentimes saves great suffering and frequently valuable lives. This cordial has gained for itself a wide-spread reputation for affording a prompt relief from all summer complaints.

"A man likes a woman who shows him that she is clever." "Oh, no; a man likes a woman who shows him that he is clever."

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"I could not eat, sleep or sit down for any length of time. I was always in pain and was wasting away. I grew very weak and had a bad cough. I tried many different remedies, but did not get relief. Since taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, however, I am able to attend to my business." Minnie Jaques, Oshoco, Ont.

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Still Another Triumph—Mr. Thomas S. Bollen, Sunderland, writes: "For fourteen years I was afflicted with piles; and frequently I was unable to sit or walk, but four years ago I was cured by using Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil. I have also been subject to Quinsy for over forty years, but Eclectric Oil cured it, and it was a permanent cure in both cases, as neither Piles nor Quinsy have troubled me since."

A half truth is the worst sort of a lie.

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 on a holiday trip or if you have friends visiting you drop a card to the FREE PRESS.

Mrs. T. E. M. Secord is visiting relatives in Guelph.

Miss Johnson will spend the Easter holidays in Mount Forest.

Miss Cook, of Ballinafad spent a few days with friends in town.

Miss Haley, of Macton, was the guest this week of Mrs. J. P. Mullan.

Miss Edna Thurston left on Saturday for Woodstock to resume her situation there.

Mrs. C. McCarthy, of Toronto, was the guest during her stay in Acton, of Mrs. Alex. Secord.

Mr. Brent Woodword, of Toronto, spent a couple of days this week with his friend Mr. Lou Flannagan.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Ramshaw, of Lowville, spent Saturday with Mr. Ramshaw's sister, Mrs. Welsford.

Mr. D. Henderson, M. P., was home from the Capital from Saturday morning until Monday evening.

Miss Hill, of Rockwood, was a guest at the home of her brother, Mr. Chas. Hill, Young Street, a few days during the week.

Miss Mina Walker left on Monday to take a permanent situation in the new establishment of G. B. Ryan & Co., at Berlin.

Mrs. S. A. Secord, who has been in poor health for some time, visited her sisters in Hamilton last week, and found the change very beneficial.

Miss Annie Haine, of Goderich, has been visiting Miss Hannah Stafford at the home of Mr. George Leslie, Erin, for a couple of weeks.

Rev. T. R. Forbes is attending the annual meeting of the Western Association of Congregational Churches at Toronto this week.

Rev. and Mrs. A. Blair, B.A., of Nassagaweya, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arch. McTavish on Tuesday.

At the annual meeting of the Dublin Street Sunday School, Guelph, on Tuesday evening, Ald. R. E. Nelson was re-elected superintendent. This is the eighth time in succession.

John A. Ellis, and his partner who have been in the hotel business at New Hamburg the past year, have leased the Commercial Hotel, Seaforth, and will take possession about the first of May.

Since the East Wellington election Mr. John Craig, M. P. P., editor of the *News-Record*, Fergus, has been laid aside from active work. He overtaxed himself during the campaign, and is now seriously ill.

Rev. Dr. Carman, General Superintendent of the Methodist Church in Canada, left on Monday via C. P. R. for Vancouver, thence by steamer to Yokohama, Japan, where he will look into the missionary interests of the Canadian Church.

Miss Aggie Armstrong, who has been in the dressmaking business here for several years, leaves this week to take charge of the dressmaking department of a large business at Grand Valley. During her residence in Acton Miss Armstrong has made many friends all of whom unite in best wishes for her in her new home.

We are in receipt of the sad news of the death of Mrs. Geo. Besley, nee Miss Mary Kannawin, for years resident with her father, Mr. Robt. Kannawin, in Acton. Mrs. Besley was afflicted with lung trouble, which caused her death after a brief illness. The many friends of the family in Acton will extend heartfelt sympathy in this heavy bereavement.

A Commendable Club.

The Guelph *Herald* says: "The pupils of the Senior Girls' school have, with their teacher's assistance, organized a club, the object of which is to help them to be more careful in their language and general deportment. The following rules are to be followed, those wishing to become members promising to observe them: To earnestly try to avoid the use of slang. To avoid loud talking and laughing on the street. To consider the rights of others when walking on the street. In the class room to move quietly; opening and closing doors quietly. Be polite to classmates and teacher, remembering that "If you please" and "Thank you" cost but little, but are of great value. All pupils of the room may become members by signing the above rules, and any member may withdraw if she wishes, after giving them a fair trial.

"So, son," said the greybeard, "you are to go forth to do battle with the world."

"Yes, father," answered the young man.

"One of the first things you should learn my boy," the old man continued, "is to say 'No.'"

"I think I understand."

"I dunno whether you do or not. The point I am trying to get at is that the habit of saying 'naw' and and 'nit' was all right while you were in college, but ain't the correct thing for a business man."

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6. Carrot, Oxheart or Guerande Scarlet.
7. Cucumbers, Chicago Pickling.
8. Cucumber, long green.
9. Celery, Golden Self Blanching.
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