BORN.

PEAVOY—In Acton, on Wednesday, May 3rd, to Mr. and Mrs. F. Peavoy, a daughter.

LANE—In Esquesing, on Tuesday, April 25th, to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lane, a daughter.

MARRIED.

BOOMER—NOYES—At the Askin Street Methodist Parsonage, London, on Wednesday, May 3rd, by Rev. R. Hobbs, Mr. Herbert E. Boomer, son of John E. Boomer, Esq., to Miss Alice E., daughter of J. Noyes, Esq., all of London.

WOODLAND—POLLARD—At Toronto, on April 26th, at the residence of the bride's father, 11 Alton, Ave., by the Rev. S. D. Chown, pastor Wesley Church, Mr. Fredrick Woodland, formerly of Clarkson, now of Toronto, to Irene, eldest daughter of H. F. Pollard, Esq.

DIED.

GIBBONS—At Glenwilliams, on Tuesday, May 2nd, Chas. F. Gibbons, son of Patrick Gibbons, in his 18th year.

The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, MAY 11, 1899.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

It is reported that Halton, West Elgin, West Huron, North Hastings and South Perth election trials will take place in June.

The Provincial Government has received $35,150 in license fees from the distillers of the province. Many brewers are paying their fees under protest. It is thought the bill recently passed is not constitutional.

After a thorough examination of Napanee jail, Detective Greer has concluded that Pare and Holden had outside assistance in effecting their escape. The wire found in the pocket of Pare's coat, the detective declares, is only a bluff.

The summary report of the Geological Survey for 1898, just issued, estimates an increase of about $7,000,000 in the value of the mineral production of Canada as compared with 1897, largely due to the development of gold-mining, particularly in the Yukon.

The Dominion Government has been advised from Vancouver that Theodore Ludgate is now in possession of Deadman's Island. The Dominion, the Province, and the City of Vancouver are all claiming the island. It is now likely that the courts will have to settle the matter.

The winter trade of St. John, N. B., was much larger than in any previous season. The outward cargoes of last winter were $7,200,000 as against $4,838,000 in 1897-98. The Manchester line made six trips, with outward cargoes of $900,000. Of the imports of St. John three million dollars' worth were American products.

Three car loads of nursery stock were received on Monday in Winnipeg, from Fonthill, Ont. This is the largest shipment yet made into Manitoba, and represents about 414,000 trees. Brandon dealers are taking advantage of the recent Order-in-Council, and have placed orders for several thousand cotton-wood seedlings in North Dakota and Minnesota.

The budget debate this session was one of the shortest on record, probably because the oratorical force of the Opposition had spent itself on the Address. Short as it was, however, it contained three notable speeches besides those of the Ministers of Finance and Customs—speeches delivered by three former Finance Ministers of Canada, Sir Richard Cartwright, Sir Charles Tupper and Mr. Foster, named in the order of seniority of office.

Sixty-eight millions of silver dollars now in the vaults of the United States mint and postoffice buildings at Philadelphia, which secure the issues of silver certificates, will be transferred to the recently completed vaults on the new mint site, beginning this week. The money is enclosed in 68,000 boxes, $1000 to the box. The silver weighs 2040 tons, and each waggon carrying three tons, 680 loads will be necessary. Allowing six loads per day, 113 consecutive days will elapse before the final transfer shall be made.

It is to be regretted that the Milton *Standard*, which commenced publication four months ago as an organ of the Conservatives of the County, has found it necessary to discontinue publication. The *Champion* takes over the subscription list. In all kindness the FREE PRESS pointed out at the outset that the field at the county town was too limited for three papers. The *Standard* was a newsy, wide-awake paper, and followed its political leaders in a manner which much enlisted its supporters. We understand Mr. F. B. Elliott, the editor and publisher, has secured a good position in connection with one of the United States type foundries, in which situation the FREE PRESS wishes him every success.

MILTON.

The Misses Deacon are expected home next week.

Milton Royal Templars swept the Dominion last month and initiated more members than any other council.

The Council is buying cedar scantling for sidewalks at $11 per 1000, and pine plank, average 10 inches wide, $18.00.

C. Downie has been appointed Curfew Officer and Nightwatchman at a salary of $174.

Three members of the Milton Band, Alonzo Jones, Thomas McDowell, and Frank Biscoby will play in the 20th Batt. Band while in camp at Niagara.

The people of Milton generally will be sorry to learn that ex-Mayor McCollum and family will shortly remove to Oakville.

Richard Hemstreet sr., has purchased a building lot on Victoria street and will have a brick dwelling erected thereon in which he will reside.

The Band has commenced its weekly open air concerts.

Milton Council, R. T. of T. has won the $100 organ, first prize in the Grand Council competition.

Neil McPhail and family, late of Campbellville, have moved to town and now occupy Chas. Jones' house on corner of Foster and Queen Sts.

Jodge Snider came from Hamilton to Milton on Friday evening to attend the annual meeting of the Milton Fish and Game Club, of which he was re-elected president. The club decided to put some thousands of nine-months old trout into their pond near Campbellville next November.—*Champion.*

A girl who wouldn't harm a mouse will murder a song in a most heartless manner.

A CORN PHOTOGRAPHED BY X RAYS

Shows a small hard kernel, covered by layers of hard skin. This tiny corn causes keen pain. The only cure is painless extracting by without pain. Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor. Safe? Yes. Painless? Yes. Cheap? Yes indeed! Try it.

WHAT will the doctors do when they lose their KOP?

ONLY TWENTY LICENSES.

The Liquor Licenses Reduced by the Commissioners to Twenty.

FROM 60 TO 20 SINCE 1875.

The License Commissioners have taken their final action in reference to the taverns of the county for the present year, and, as a result have cut off another ten per cent. of the licenses, leaving only twenty, where twenty-five years ago we had about sixty.

The following licenses were granted:

Acton—R. Agnew, G. C. Clark and F. Guyotte.

Burlington—J. Roderick, W. J. Brush, and Paisley.

Georgetown—H. A. Coffin, John Trainor and S. McGibbon.

Milton—Hartman, J. McGibbon and Kelly.

Oakville—C. H. Strong, M. H. Williams and W. Wynne.

Ballinafad—A. P. Thompson.

Campbellville—J. Guyette.

Glenwilliams—D. McKenzie.

Norval—Garbutt.

Postville—J. F. Baker.

The licenses at the Lakeview House, Burlington, and the hotel at Stewartown, were cut off. The license at Bronte, the only one in Trafalgar township was transferred to Postville. The Board favored cutting off every license in Trafalgar had they the power to do so, but they were informed that it was not within their power to grant local option, which would have been the case had they cut off the license at Bronte without transferring it to Postville. Before local option can be granted to a municipality it must be carried by a vote of the people. For their action of cutting of licenses where deemed unnecessary and keeping up their past reputation of annual reduction, the Board of Commissioners deserve and will receive the gratitude of the christian people of the county generally.

HAS NOW 150 MEMBERS.

The Free Library Continues to Add to its Membership Monthly.

The monthly meeting of the Free Library Board for April was held in the Library last Friday evening.

Members present: J. B. Pearson, Chairman, J. A. McLachlan, M. A., Thos. T. Moore, and H. P. Moore.

The report of the Committee on Finance recommended payment of the following accounts:

William Briggs, Invoice of Books.....		$94 49
Copp, Clark Co.,	do	57 53
Linscott Pub. Co.,	do	32 80
Storey, Christie & Co., Exchange.....		45
		$184 50

Moved by J. A. McLachlan, seconded by T. T. Moore, that the finance report just read be adopted.—Carried.

Miss Laird, Librarian, presented her report for April, as follows: new members enrolled, 4; total present membership, 150. Books taken out, 315; as follows: history, 63; biography, 6; voyages and travels, 29; science and art, 2; literature, 45; poetry, 4; fiction, 112; religious, 9; miscellaneous, 45. Finances: catalogues and cards, 65c.; fines, 25c.; renewal cards, 35c.; supplementary catalogues, $1.85; total, $3.10.

Moved by H. P. Moore, seconded by T. T. Moore, that the report of the Librarian be adopted.—Carried.

The Board then adjourned.

FAMINE INCREASES IN RUSSIA.

Diseases Follow in its Trail Claiming Victims by Thousands.

Moscow, May 9.—Famine in Eastern Russia is increasing in severity, and the diseases that follow in its trail are claiming victims by the thousand. The Czar has just appropriated 1,500,000 rubles, ($750,000) to the use of the Relief Committee, and additional contributions are coming in from all quarters. The Rev. Alexander Francis, rector of the Anglo-American Church at St. Petersburg, has established a relief fund, and has invited the members of the Anglo-Saxon colony to contribute. The first donation received was from an anonymous American, who sent 1,000 rubles. The city of Odessa has contributed 70000 roubles to the relief work.

Major Bodisco, an officer of the Czarina's regiment of Uhlan's while attending to his duties as sub-manager of famine relief in the Simbirsk district, succumbed to scurvy and typhus. He has just been buried with high military honors by his comrades of the General Prince Louis Napoleon Regiment.

TRACED TO COTEAU.

Inspector Greer Follows Trail of Pare and Holden.

Inspector Wm. Greer returned from the east yesterday, where he has been investigating the escape of Pare and Holden. He succeeded in tracing them as far as Coteau Landing, near Montreal. They came in on a freight train early on the morning after their escape, and then disappeared. No trace of them can be found. Mr. Greer says that there is little reason to believe that they perpetrated the Cornwall burglary.

CREWSONS CORNERS.

(Crowded out last week.)

The quarterly meeting of the Rockwood circuit was held in Eden Mills last Sabbath, consequently there was no service in the church here.

It was with much regret that the many friends of Mrs. A. Kentner, of Ballinafad, heard of her death which occurred at the home of her brother-in-law, Mr. J. Coleman, of Acton, on Monday morning. The deceased was well and favorably known here, having been a former resident. Her sister, Mrs. M. Forbes, resides here and the sympathy of all is extended to her and the rest of the family in their sad loss.

Rev. S. W. Holden delivered a very impressive Sunday School address on Sunday last. He took for his subject the word "Habit" and showed the great contrast between good and bad habits. The attendance is growing larger each Sunday.

Mr. Chas. Gamble attended the first annual dinner of Company No. 6, Lorne Rifles, given by Capt. Langton to the N. C. officers and men of his company at the Dominion Hotel, Acton, on Friday evening last. A very enjoyable time was spent by all. Capt. Langton is very popular with his men and it goes without saying that he will take a full company into camp at Niagara on June 6th.

Mr. M. Crewson, jr., has just completed the erection of a new steam drilling machine. It is built on the same plan as the drill a used in drilling for oil or gas, and is the first of that kind [illegible] in these parts. It will no doubt [illegible] facilities [illegible] Mr. [illegible]

QUEEN'S YACHT LAUNCHED.

Duchess of York Sends the Stately Ship Into the Water—A Gay Scene.

LONDON, May 9.—The Duchess of York, accompanied by the Duke of Connaught, Mr. George J. Goschen, First Lord of the Admiralty, and others, launched the new royal yacht Victoria and Albert at Pembroke this afternoon. After the usual prayers the Duchess severed a cord and the yacht glided into the water amidst vociferous cheering. The scene attending the launching was one of the gayest imaginable. The docks, the neighboring buildings and all the vessels in the harbor were elaborately decked with flags and bunting. Among the spectators were many naval and military officers and members of the civil government in uniform or in their robes of office. There was an enormous concourse of people in and about the yards, and the greatest enthusiasm was manifested.

MR. TARTE'S ILLNESS.

He will Likely be Obliged to Rest from Public Duties.

OTTAWA, May 8.—The Minister of Public Works is still confined to his house and is seriously, if not dangerously, ill. His physicians have ordered that no one should be allowed to see him, but Mr. Tarte cannot be made to obey orders when he thinks himself well enough to work, and consequently he has had his deputy and his private secretary with him nearly all day preparing supplementary estimates and answering letters. Mr. Tarte is understood to be suffering from stone in the bladder, which is a particularly painful disease, and it is said he will have to undergo an operation in about ten days' time. After that he will be induced, if possible, to take a trip for the benefit of his health.

SPAIN'S GREATEST NEED.

Mr. R. P. Olivé, of Barcelona, Spain, spends his winters at Aiken, S. C. Weak nerves had caused severe pains in the back of his head. On using Electric Bitters, America's greatest Blood and Nerve Remedy, all pain soon left him. He says this grand medicine is what his country needs. All America knows that it cures liver and kidney trouble, purifies the blood, tones up the stomach, strengthens the nerves, puts vim, vigor and new life into every muscle, nerve and organ of the body. If weak tired or ailing you need it. Every bottle guaranteed, only 50 cents. Sold by J. D. McKee.

Notoriety is cheap to get, but dear to keep.

Out of Sorts.—Symptoms, Headache, loss of appetite, furred tongue and general indisposition. These symptoms, if neglected, develop into acute disease. It is a trite saying that an "ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure," and a little attention at this point may save months of sickness and large doctor's bills. For this complaint take from two to three of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills on going to bed, and one or two for three nights in succession, and a cure will be effected.

Did you ever notice that when a man steals it is always for himself; but when a woman does so it is generally discovered that she does it for some man.

Are You Married?

Are you married to the old-time belief that consumption is incurable? If so you are wedded to a mistaken notion. Shiloh's Cough and Consumption Cure has overcome many a serious case, and it never fails when taken in the early stages. One bottle will prove more to you than a whole column of argument. Try it. Every bottle guaranteed, 25 cents, 50 cents and $1.00.

Be a gentleman and whatever else you can.

THAT THROBBING HEADACHE

Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for sick and nervous headaches. They make pure blood and strong nerves and build up your health. Easy to take. Try them. Only 25 cents. Money back if not cured. Sold by J. D. McKee.

A weak-willed man misses many opportunity to do wrong.

Five Things.

The five diseases for which Shilon's Consumptive Cure is especially recommended are Coughs, Colds Whooping Cough, Croup and Consumption. No medicine ever made by man is equal to it in any respect. Sold under a positive guarantee. Money back if it fails to cure. 25 cents, 50 cents and $1.00 a bottle.

The editor of a Wisconsin paper says: "Wednesday's mail brought to us a letter addressed 'Rev.,' another, the 'Hon.,' another, 'Col.,' one, 'Mr.,' and the last, 'Esq.' On the way to dinner I accidentally stepped on a woman's dress, and she addressed me thus: 'You brute!'"

If all young women could have the right sort of motherly advice much of the unhappiness of the world would be avoided.

There are two troubles in the way. The girls hesitate to consult the mothers and the mothers really know only a little more than the girls. Counsel of the best sort is at the command of every woman and if she will promptly avail herself of it she will soon be relieved of her troubles. Thousands of women, every year, write to Dr. R. V. Pierce telling their symptoms and asking his advice, which is freely given without cost.

For over thirty years Dr. Pierce has been and is to-day chief consulting physician of the great Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y. He is a specialist in the diseases of women and his "Favorite Prescription" has had the greatest sale of all medicines ever devised for the cure of the troubles peculiarly feminine.

Every letter addressed to Dr. Pierce is held sacredly confidential and has the most careful attention.

No testimonial letter is ever published until the written consent of its author has been given.

Mrs. Mary E. Lewis, of Tanner, Gilmer Co., W. Va., writes: "For fifteen years I suffered untold misery from female weakness. I had given up all hope of ever being cured. I could not lie down to sleep, and could not get up without help. I had a bearing down and could hardly walk across the floor