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THE PEOPLE'S PRESS
THURSDAY, JAN. 24th, 1907

BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS.

—Renew for the FREE PRESS.

—All kinds of weather the past week.

—Prospects are fair for sleighing again.

—Read the advertisements in this issue.

—Acton Municipal Council next Monday evening.

—Streetsville has decided to spend $15,000 on an electric light plant.

—Grip is very prevalent. Almost every home is supplying victims.

—Esquesing Council will hold its next meeting on the 11th February.

—The FREE PRESS thermometer registered ten below zero yesterday morning.

—The Lenten season commences on 13th February, and Easter Sunday will be the last day of March.

—The snow went off with a rush on Friday and Saturday and was replaced as rapidly on Sunday and Monday.

—Interesting sessions of the Farmer's and Women's Institutes were held yesterday afternoon and last evening.

—Col. John Davidson, Guelph, was elected President of the Ontario Artillery Association at Toronto on Monday.

—Wm. Bowman and R. O. McCullough were appointed auditors of of township Accounts at last meeting of the Council.

—An exciting hockey match will be played on the rink here on Friday night. Brampton and Acton will be the contestants.

—Of the ninety-five gentlemen named in the new commission appointing Justices of the Peace for Halton, thirty-six were re-appointments.

—At the annual meeting of Chalmers Church, Toronto, last week, the salary of Rev. H. A. Macpherson was increased $200, making his stipend $2500.

—Christian Reinhart, for many years proprietor of the Commercial Hotel, Guelph, died last Friday. He was 55 years of age and weighed 425 pounds.

—At last meeting of Esquesing Council the following claims for dogs were paid: Robert Cole one sheep, $6; M. J. Starret three sheep and two lambs, $26; David Cook one lamb $1.

—Bandmaster Mason was in Toronto on Monday and purchased three new instruments to be added to those in use by the Acton Citizens Band—two mellophones and one double E bass.

—Hotel sold—License Inspector Tracy was in town on Saturday. He says that the Leaby Hotel, Acton, has been sold to two men, a Miltonian and a Georgetown man.—Milton Champion.

—Mr. J. W. Bawn has purchased the vacant lot on Queen St., next to Mr. Geo. Andrew's property, and in the spring will erect thereon a modern, up-to-date brick residence.—Milton Reformer.

—Saturday's dailies had the following item: J. W. Worden, who keeps a jewelry store in Rochester, and who it is believed to come from Toronto or nearby, was found dead in his store yesterday.

—Saturday's big thaw and rain filled Fairy Lake to overflowing. The volume running over the waste apron Sunday morning submerged the roadway and filled the basement of the mill so that the elevators were frozen up.

—The Winter School of Guelph District Epworth Leagues opens in the Methodist Church here on Monday evening, February 4th and continues until the following Thursday afternoon. A large number of delegates

NEWS OF LOCAL IMPORT.

Man and Money Gone.

Wm. G. Armstrong, butcher, left Milton about three weeks ago, and nothing has been heard from him since. His wife is said to have followed him. He left a good many debts unpaid, and it is said, induced friends to endorse notes for sums from $100 to $200, which they will have to pay.—Champion.

A Filthy Practice.

The spitter than gets it from the S. Thomas Times: "A man in Stratford who made himself obnoxious at the theatre by spitting tobacco juice, defied the officer who asked him to stop. He was brought before the P. M. and taxed $5 for fracturing the anti-expectoration by law. The magistrate commended the officer for enforcing the law. That is how it should be. To sit in the vicinity of a tobacco shower spoils the entertainment for most people."

Another Bank Again Talked of.

Periodically for the past year or two the rumor has gone about that another chartered bank was to be opened in Acton. First there was talk of the Traders Bank opening a branch, then later the Metropolitan Bank had its eyes on Acton as a desirable point, and now it is the new Farmers Bank that contemplates making this the location of one of its branches. It was freely stated last week that the Farmers would open here. Over 2000 shares of the Farmers capital stock is held by Halton people. In the meantime the Merchants Bank is faithfully and satisfactorily fulfilling all the demands of the public upon it.

St Alban's Spinsters' Tea.

The Spinster's tea given in the town hall here on Tuesday evening by the ladies of St. Alban's Church was a very enjoyable affair. The musical and literary programme was exceedingly good. Piano duets were rendered by Miss Laura Gray and Mrs. Wilson which were heartily encored. Miss Maggie Thompson sang "When the Heart is young" with splendid effect and responded to an encore. Mrs. A. T. Brown gave a reading in her inimitable style. Messrs. Rowen and Robinson favored the audience with several violin duets and Mr. Rowen played a solo which was much appreciated. Mr. R. McIlvride sang two songs which were heartily applauded and Mr. Copelston was accorded an equally hearty reception when he sang "She waits by the deep blue Sea." The tea provided by the spinsters was a feature unique. It created much merriment, and the series of forfeitures enriched the exchequer to the extent of several dollars by the violation of the published rules by the male visitors.

At Hymen's Altar.

In Esquesing, at "The Cedars," the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Denny, on Wednesday, January 16th, there was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Arthur Swackhamer, son of Christopher Swackhamer Esq., and Miss Ina Grace Denny. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Joseph Unsworth, of Toronto. The bridal couple, who were unattended, entered the parlor and took their position beneath an arch of holly and bells. The bride wore cream silk with all-over lace, and carried cream carnations and ferns. After the ceremony and congratulations were over the guests sat down to the wedding dinner. The table decorations were pink and white carnations and ferns. After dinner Reeve Swackhamer, of Acton, brother of the groom, proposed a very cordial toast to the bride and groom. Mr. R. H. Wansborough, of Erin, proposed the host and hostess; Mr. Joel Leslie proposed the venerable father of the groom, and Mr. Jacob Swackhamer, of Brampton, the Rev. Mr. Unsworth. The speeches were all timely and happy, and the words of Rev. Mr. Unsworth, who was for years the pastor of the parents of both the bride and groom, were especially fitting to the occasion. The bridal presents were numerous and handsome. The happy pair left by the evening train on a visit to Hamilton and other points.

"There's No Place Like Home."

A few weeks ago Mr. Alva Stafford returned from Kansas to Canada with his family, and has been enjoying very sincerely the week or so he has spent in Acton, his boyhood home. Mr. Stafford left Acton nearly twenty-five years ago. The first few years he spent in Cincinnati and other points and then settled at Fort Scott, Kansas. About twenty years ago he wedded a very lovable Southern lady and to them there were born a family of six bright children—five daughters and one son. About four years ago Mrs. Stafford died, and during the time of great loneliness which followed, Mr. Stafford experienced keenest longing to see his boyhood's home again. This feeling grew upon him and last November when his home was destroyed by fire he at once determined to come back to Canada, and, after spending Christmas time with friends in Missouri, they embarked for Acton. Mr. Stafford has always remained loyal to his British birth, and during all the years of his sojourn under the Stars and Stripes he refused to take the oath of allegiance, preferring to claim the Union Jack as his flag. During the past week Mr. Stafford has met numbers of former friends and residents, and has visited many of the haunts of his boyhood days, viz: His old home on Hope Hill, where ex-Warden Havill's residence now stands, at the foot of the garden of which was the old trout pond; the old school and the playground there; Fairy Lake and the old mill; Cobble Hill and the famous coasting grounds of the vicinity, and various other landmarks. He also visited the Methodist Sunday School on Sunday afternoon, where he had made a name for himself thirty years ago by his ability to commit to memory and recite whole chapters of the New Testament, and he also attended the Churches where in his boyhood he was a regular attendant. Mr. Stafford has thoroughly enjoyed his visit. He said to the FREE PRESS on Monday: "I'm having the time of my life; I wouldn't give the pleasures of this visit to my old home here for the best farm in Kansas. Wherever I may settle now, you'll often see me in Acton." Mr. Stafford is much surprised at Acton's substantial progress since his removal and appreciates fully the present attractive features of the town.

J. C. FORD, OAKVILLE, WARDEN

Halton County Council Honored It will By His Election.

BUSINESS LOOMING UP LARGELY

County Council met at Milton on Tuesday. All the members were present.

Reeve J. C. Ford, of Oakville, was nominated by E. Savage, Trafalgar, seconded by H. Swackhamer, of Acton, as Warden for 1907.

He was elected by 8 to 4.

The Standing Committees of the year were appointed as follows:

FINANCE.—J. G. Wilson, A. D. Alton, J. McGibbon.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.—Dr. Buck, H. Swackhamer, J. G. Wilson, and Wm. Thompson.

COUNTY BUILDINGS.—E. Savage, J. McGibbon, A. Higginbotham.

PRINTING.—J. Willoughby, W. Little, E. Savage.

EDUCATION.—A. Higginbotham, G. Allan, J. Willoughby.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS.—W. Little, A. D. Alton, H. Swackhamer.

RAILWAYS AND LEGISLATION.—W. Thompson, J. Allan, and Dr. Buck.

A letter from Dr. Bruce Smith, Inspector of Prisons and Asylums, stated to the Council that the House of Refuge must be proceeded with.

Ex-County Councillor H. W. Clark addressed the Council at length in favor of Good Roads for Halton.

Council adjourned to meet on 25th February.

GREENOCK LITERARY SOCIETY.

On Thursday evening last the Greenock Literary Society held its regular weekly meeting. President H. C. Currie took the chair and the following programme was carried out: Address by President Currie, several selections by Greenock Orchestra, violin solos by Messrs. C. Currie and R. Leavens, one-minute speeches by Miss M. McDonald and Mr. J. H. Kirkwood, solos by Miss Cecile McLachlan and Mr. C. Currie, reading by Mr. W. McKeown, recitations by Miss M. Near and Mr. J. H. Leslie. The debate subject was "Resolved that Canada offers the young man better opportunities for getting on than the United States." The affirmative was supported by Messrs. A. McKeown, J. H. Leslie and R. W. Currie and the negative by Messrs. W. Currie, J. E. Pearen and H. Lambert. Messrs. A. Murray and C. McKeown were appointed to support the negative, but these gentlemen failing to appear, Messrs. Currie and Pearen ably acted as substitutes. Decision was given in favor of the affirmative. The judges were Messrs. W. Near, J. L. Allan, and Miss M. McDonald.

AUCTION SALE REGISTER.

THURSDAY, 24th January.—The farm stock and implements of David Williamson, lot 28, con. 7, Nassagaweya. Sale at one o'clock. Terms 12 months. Thos. Ingram, auctioneer.

THURSDAY, Jan 31st—Farm stock and implements, the property of Fred W. Plank, lot 28, con 1, Esquesing. Sale at one o'clock. Terms 10 months. Thos. Ingram, auctioneer.

FRIDAY, 15th February—Sale of farm stock and implements on the farm of Mrs. Jane Russell, lot 2, con 1 Erin, on Friday, 15th February, at one o'clock. Terms 12 months. Thos Ingram, auctioneer.

The Baptist Anniversary.

Rev. Prof. Tracy, of Toronto University, will preach the anniversary sermons in the Baptist Church on Sunday, 3rd February, at 3 and 7 p.m. On Monday evening, 4th prox., a social will be held when there will be addresses, music by the Male Quartette of Georgetown Baptist Church, and other interesting features.

A Stricken Home.

The home of Mr. J. A. Mowat, Bower Ave., has been sadly afflicted this week. Both Mr. and Mrs. Mowat were taken with the grippe and several of the children were sick, when Mrs. Groves, mother of Mrs. Mowat, was taken seriously ill and died on Monday night. The remains were taken to Wingham on Tuesday evening for interment in the family plot there. Mrs. Mowat is still in a somewhat critical condition.

Bert Chapman Suffers Fire Loss.

There was a destructive fire on Saturday at noon in the building at 8 and 10 Wellington street, Toronto, used by the Rhys, Fairbairn Company, Limited, dealers in ladies neckwear, and Mr. A. C. Chapman, glovemaker. The former firm's loss is about $10,000, and Mr. Chapman's about $5,000, nearly all on their stock. Both firms are insured in the York Mutual Fire Insurance Company. The cause of the fire is unknown.—Globe. Mr. A. C. Chapman is the son of Mr. W. J. Chapman, glove leather tanner, Acton, and has been doing a successful glove manufacturing business in Toronto for several years.

The Methodist Special Services.

The third week of the evangelistic services in the Methodist Church is now in progress. A keen interest has been sustained throughout and the earnest sermons and exhortations of the pastor, Rev. G. W. Barker, have been most helpful. Owing to the prevalence of la grippe in nearly all the homes the attendance has been considerably smaller than usual on such occasions. The singing has been a feature of the meetings, the young ladies and the young gentlemen forming the choir on alternate evenings. At the service on Sunday evening twenty-one young men led the singing and Mr. James Webster sang as a solo "Nearer, Still Nearer." The services will in all probability close with the present week.

—The annual meeting of Halton Liberals will be held in Milton on Friday, 1st November.

—Mrs. W. H. Stewart slipped on the step at the rear of their residence on Bower Ave. last Friday and sustained severe injuries to her back.

Mrs. Chas. F. Goodeve and Miss Goodeve left on Monday for Berkeley, Cal., to spend several months with friends there. Mrs. Goodeve's health has been poor for some time and this trip is taken in the hope of recovery.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Rev. M. Wilson M.A. spent yesterday in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Blair are removing to Georgetown this week.

Mr. David McMackon, of Highgate, spent a couple of days in town this week.

Mrs. Albert Ferguson, of Mordon, Man., is the guest of Mr. Mackenzie, Main St.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Hawes have been spending the week with friends in Georgetown.

Miss Ida McNabb returns to Chicago this week to resume her professional duties as nurse.

Reeve Swackhamer went to Milton on Monday to attend the session of County Council.

Mr. J. A. Lambert, of the Mt. Forest Representative, is a member of the Council of that town.

Editor Forster, of the Oakville Star, has been elected President of Trafalgar Agricultural Society.

Mr. R. D. Warren, of the Herald, Georgetown, was a welcome caller at the FREE PRESS office on Tuesday.

Mr. E. J. Moore, who was singing during last week with Victoria University Glee Club, spent Friday and Saturday at home.

Mrs. McCreight and her daughters, Misses Myrtle and Wilda, arrived home on Monday from a month's visit with friends at Kincardine.

Mrs. James Frame returned from Galt last week and is considerably improved in health. Her mother Mrs. Lunn accompanied her.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Coleman have returned after spending a week with friends at Mt. Forest. They leave this week for their home at Hamiota, Man.

Mrs. J. E. Corry, who has been spending a few weeks with Acton friends, left on Tuesday for Arthur to visit her relatives there before returning to Sault Ste Marie. Mrs. Corry's many friends were delighted to see her again.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hynds of Lumsden, Sask., spent several days during the week as guests of Mr. D. M. Henderson, Bower Ave. Mr. Hynds is a son of the late Samuel Hynds who was for many years a resident of Acton. He is the very successful publisher of the Lumsden News-Recorder.

JOHN S. COLEMAN, CHAIRMAN

of the Board of Education for the Second Year.

The members of the Board of Education met on Wednesday evening at seven o'clock for organization as required by the school law.

The members were all present. Messrs. H. Grindell, I. Francis and Dr. Ault, the members-elect, subscribed to their declarations of office and took their seats.

The Secretary then requested the members to elect their Chairman for the year.

Upon motion Mr. J. S. Coleman was re-elected Chairman of the Board.

Mr. Coleman thanked the members for their continued confidence. He felt that the members of the Board had the interests of the school at heart, and would use their best endeavors to administer the affairs of the Board wisely and well.

The standing committees for the year were struck as follows:

Finance—G. Agnew, chairman; H. Grindell.

Property—I. Francis, chairman; J. S. Coleman.

Supplies—E. D. Ault, chairman; W. J. Humphries.

Moved by W. J. Humphries, seconded by H. Grindell, that John Cameron be re-appointed a member of the Free Library Board for the ensuing three years.

The Committee on Finance presented their first report and recommended payment of accounts as follows:

C. H. Elsbage, repairs	$19 75
Wm. Hawes, janitor	10 00
Frank Kennedy, work at school	6 75
Peter Hills do	7 35
Alex. Bell, lumber, etc.	5 17
The Secretary, postage, stamps, etc.	3 77
C. F. Goodeve, supplies	1 33
G. Hynds, repairing clock	1 00
	$62 72

The report was adopted.

The matter of having satisfactorily performed the duties of janitor of the school has been found a very difficult problem, and has been given careful consideration.

Moved by W. J. Humphries, seconded by Dr. Ault, that the matter of caretaking of the school be referred to the Municipal Council, with the request that arrangements be made to have the municipal officer perform the duties of janitor as formerly, and that the Chairman of the Board, the Chairman of the Property Committee and the Secretary confer with the Council at its next meeting, and be hereby empowered to concur in any suitable arrangement of the matter.—Carried.

The Board then adjourned.

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Stocks must be reduced, thousands of dollars' worth of merchandise must step out lively. The smaller the stocks of the various departments the easier and simpler the improvements will be.

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