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Guelph

The Arctia Free Press

THE PEOPLE'S PRESS

TUESDAY, JAN. 31st, 1907

BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS.

The stoves and furnaces are fairly eating money these days.

The new books at the Free Library were opened to the readers last evening.

—FOUNDED—red and black woolen mitts. Lower can have it at FREE PRESS office.

—Epworth League Winter School in Methodist Church next week—Monday to Thursday.

The annual concert of Acton Citizens Band will be held on Tuesday, 12th February.

—Mr. Alfred Soper has sold to Mr. Hugh McLeachan the building lot No. 02, in Young's survey.

—The estate of the late Robert Kinnawain sold last week lot 7, in Young's survey to William Anderson.

—Mrs. Ruth B. Smith has sold her residence on Lake Ave. to Mr. Fred Maud. Mr. Maud gets possession this week.

—Baptist Anniversary next Sunday and Monday. Dr. Tracy on Sunday at 7 o'clock. Social on Monday evening.

—A St. Catharines liquor seller has been sent to Central Prison for four months for selling liquor illegally during Christmas.

The Council is advertising for a municipal officer whose duties shall be relieved of the work of assessing and collecting. Salary \$500.

—Complaints are being made again that freight trains are allowed to stand for many minutes over the legal time on the street crossings at night, to the great inconvenience of persons driving.

CRIMSON CORNERS.

Considerable illness is prevalent in this neighbourhood due no doubt to the very changeable winter weather.

Mrs. Katie Gray is receiving congratulations from her many friends on her having passed with honors her recent examinations in music. Mrs. Gray has a very promising musical future before her.

Mr. Robt. Leavens returned home ill on Saturday from Perry Sound, and is now in a very serious condition with pneumonia. He is resting.

The neighbouring doctors should be well looked after this year in difference. Townspeople. We are certain well represented. In Esquinton Mr. Wm. Mollin, Nassagawaywa by J. D. Nickell, Evanson Jas. Black, and Edie by Deputy Reeve A. B. Murray. Mr. John Lawton of Owen Sound, visited his brother, Mr. Chas. Leaven, and other friends during the week.

Quite a number intend building and replacing their homes in this vicinity this coming year.

A large quantity of log and shingle timber is being received at the mill these days. Mr. Crayson intends starting his mill this week.

Mr. D. Williamson's auction sale on Thursday was very successful.

Mr. Roy Wanborough, of Toronto, was home over Sunday.

Mr. Chas. S. Gamble attended the Masonic banquet in Acton on Monday night.

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NEWS OF LOCAL IMPORT.

The Work Was Very Satisfactory.
Rev. A. W. Shepperson, of Guelph, says: "Enclosed please find \$7.71 for printing you did for our Church. The work was very satisfactory and the coupon system complete." This is the general verdict respecting Print-Public printing.

Pine Brigade's Assistant Engineer.
Mr. N. E. Hurst has, since the election, withdrawn his resignation as Assistant Engineer of the Pine Brigade. This action will meet with general approval. He is thoroughly well qualified for the position and has given splendid satisfaction in the performance of his duties the past year.

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Hockey News.

On Friday night a keen game of hockey was played on the rink here between Guelph and a team from Willow Street to Mr. Workman, of Brampton. The ice and weather were both in condition, and both teams started into the game to win. From the first, however, Acton had the lead and held it throughout the game, playing with a spirit and alertness that was most creditable. The visitors, probably, had a trifle more combination, but their individual play was not up to the mark of the locals. Brown, who played point for Acton, made several remarkable rushes, scoring two goals, besides playing his position splendidly. McEachern, in goal, also made some fine stops and in fact, the whole local team deserved credit for their fine play. Anderson, rover for the locals, made a rush and scored a goal when Acton had but five men. The visitors stuck to their job steadily, but the contract was too much for them, and the game ended with a tally of 0-5 in favor of Acton. The lineups were as follows: McEachern, goal; Brown, point; Anderson, rover; McEachern, right wing; Headroom, right wing; McEachern, centre; Taylor, left wing. To morrow night a match will be played between Acton and the Hawks, of Toronto, composed mostly of Varsity men.

Mr. Jones, spoke on "The Balance of Nature." It was in reality a bug and bird talk, and showed very forcefully how much the country owes to the insectivorous birds which appear at the various seasons. He plead especially that the crow and the robin be not molested. The audience were interested with several hundred numbers contributed by the Ladies' Quilt Club, and Mr. H. Lark, committee, Mr. D. Dim, President, prompted the chair and Mr. E. F. Nixon, Secretary, did much to ensure the success of the meeting.

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The Women's Institute.

A question meeting of the Women's Institute will be held in the Council Chamber Friday, February 2nd, at 3 o'clock. All the members are requested to bring front one to five written quips. The President wished to understand that the Institute meetings are free to all, and she will be pleased to welcome large numbers at the meeting to-morrow.

Celebrated Eightieth Birthday.

Mrs. Joshua Nisbett, Lake Avenue, our most celebrated citizen, celebrated her eightieth birthday on Monday. Her son, Mr. Ernest Nisbett and his daughter, of Toronto, her daughter, Mrs. Gates, of Gravenhurst, North Dakota, and her two daughters, and several other friends were present to celebrate the occasion. The Prince Purse wishes Mrs. Nisbett continued good health and every comfort.

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Editor Downey Leaves Guelph Herald.

Mr. J. P. Downey, M. P. P., who has for a number of years been editor of the Guelph Herald, has resigned his position on that journal. Mr. Downey entered the Herald office about twenty-seven years ago, and a few years afterwards was made reporter and later editor of the city editor. He has been a most successful editor and commanding conductor with all his colleagues.

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