

BORN
Montgomery—At Erin, Sept. 10th, to Mr. and Mrs. T. Morton, a daughter.
DIED.
McLachlan—At Erin, on Thursday, September 12th, Edward McDermott, aged 75 years.
Lemire—At Aberfoyle Hotel, on Saturday, 2nd September, Auguste Lemire, in his 60th year.

The Action Free Press,

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1907.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Speaking of local option progress The Pioneer says: "There are 163 municipalities in the Province of Ontario, in which local option by-laws are in force, and in all of which the law is working well. There are 133 other municipalities to which no home rule has been granted. Although there are 298 municipalities in Ontario there are 293 municipalities without the legalised sale of liquor. Let us add another hundred this year."

The Postmaster General, Hon. R. G. Thompson, has decided to give to the Office of the Dominion a one-cent rate for drop letters instead of the two-cent rate which now prevails. Public opinion has been strongly in favor of this reform, and many representations have been made to the Government on the subject, and very shortly the effect of this will be seen by the regulations bringing the lower rate into force, which the Postmaster-General is now engaged in formulating.

The usually quiet and pleasant month of September is favorable for reading and this month's issue of Rod and Gun and Motor Sports in Canada, published by W. J. Taylor, at Woodstock, Ont., provides a veritable budget for the sportsman. Contributions from east and west and north and south, together with that variety which is bound to suit all nature lovers, constitute a number certain to receive a welcome in every place to which it may penetrate.

Throughout Southern Manitoba considerable wheat has been cut and a fair idea of the total yield can now be secured. Conditions have improved very markedly during the past two or three weeks and the general expectation favors a yield of about twelve bushels per acre, instead of six as had been hoped for. A report from Prince Albert advises says that the average yield throughout will be about five bushels per acre less than last year. The increased acreage will, however, bring the total yield up to that of a year ago.

During the past year ten concrete buildings in course of construction at various points in the country have collapsed, with a loss of several lives. Acton has had its regretful experience along this line. The United States Geological Survey, which has been investigating the subject, holds that the materials were not to blame. The supports were not properly placed, and were removed before the concrete was properly hardened, and the plan of construction was faulty. The department recommends strict laws for inspection of concrete construction.

The movement for Sabbath rest is gathering in popular support. Men of all classes are in it; there are no denominational or sectarian lines; there are no party boundaries. The appeal is made to all employers to give to their men the day off each week, and to those who work on the Sabbath to take the highest degree of both parties are involved. The man who rests on the Sabbath is a better man for the remainder of the week. Workingmen are better in every way for a day at home and in the church. A much-needed rest is much more done a man. Every bending to toil, the man in the mill, the woman in the shop, is wasting vital strength. The Sabbath is necessary for man's higher nature, and without it there is a steady and unceasing lowering of the moral standard.

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Penny banks, similar to those in Toronto schools, are talked of for Ontario schools.

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THE MUNICIPAL PARLIAMENT

Small Docket of Business and Brief Session Monday Night.

NEW PAVEMENT ON GUELPH ST.
The Committee on Monday evening in regular session, Montrose presented Councillors Speight, Bell, Gray and Williams, Reeve Swackhamer and chair.

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

J. Harvey, express and carriage	\$ 0.35
Mrs. Masters, cleaning school	0.00
Thomas Martin, streets and walls	7.41
A. Cook, gravel	1.50
W. Gilman, repairs at power plant	1.00
J. Garthwaite, sandstone	0.00
Total	32.76

Moved by C. C. Speight, seconded by W. Williams, that the seventh report of the Committee on Finance be accepted. Carried.

A petition for a four-foot walk on the west side of Guelph Street, from Church to Agincourt Streets, was presented by Alex. Ramsaw, David Williamson and U. Hildebrandt.

Moved by W. Williams, seconded by C. C. Speight, that the petition of Alex. Ramsaw and others for a four-foot walk on Guelph Street, be granted, the same having been sufficiently signed. Carried.

Dr. Gray enquired how it was that the Mill Street crossing was continued to the G.T.R. rails on the south side, and not joined to the north side by a crossing as was proposed at last meeting of the Council.

Chairman Bell said when he examined the plan he concluded a crossing over Mill Street at that point was very undesirable. The members objected to so many crossings.

The enquiry was made of Chairman Bell if the crossings on Mill Street, ordered at John and Elgin Streets, would be built as intended.

He replied that those crossings would certainly be laid while the contractors are here.

The Reeve enquired if the numerous citizens who are putting up new buildings, and are asking for wiring and connections for electric lights, are to be supplied.

The Council decided that all citizens who desire lights should be supplied.

The Reeve thought there was danger of overloading the plant. He suggested, however, that if Beardmore & Co. intend supplying current for their lights by their own dynamo, that the large transformer and wiring for their plant be removed and used for other factories where they are necessary in future.

The Chairman of the Streets and Works was requested to examine all walks laid last year and decide how many feet have proven imperfect and not up to the contract, and to give data to clerk to report to the contractor.

The Council adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

GREAT DEMAND FOR HARVEST HELP.

Western Farmers Want Men for Late Harvest—C.R.R. Will Run Extra Excursion.

Although several thousand men have gone west on earlier excursions the demand for harvest help still considerably exceeds the supply, latest advice from Winnipeg stating that farmers everywhere are short-handed. Despite rumors of frost and short crops, there is well-paid work in the field for all comers. A last opportunity for laborers is offered by the Canadian Pacific, which has arranged to run an extra Farm Laborers' Excursion to Winnipeg, leaving all Ontario stations, east and west, Tuesday, September 17th. Some additional will apply an early morning, returning trip \$12.00, for \$10.00, which will cover at least one month's work harvesting. Full particulars can be obtained from G.P.R. agents and from G. H. Foster, District Passenger Agent, Toronto.

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A CLOSE BOWLING MATCH.

Action Defeated by Busholm Road Club, Toronto, by One Point.

Three ranks of Action bowlers went to Toronto last Friday for a match with the Busholm Road Club. They had a very pleasant outing and a rousing competition.

At the last end of the game the two sides were a tie, but the Action bowlers gave the hosts of the day one point and with that they secured the victory of the day. Rev. H. A. Macpherson was one of the most interested players and he exerted himself to make the day pleasant for his erstwhile fellow-citizens.

The three clubs scored as follows:

ACTON	TORONTO
J. J. Gibbons	W. G. Chisholm
C. E. Nicklin	J. Stevens
John H. Kennedy	Dr. Wyke
H. J. Macklinson	Dr. Wyke
G. A. Skipper	Dr. Wyke
C. Henderson	Dr. F. J. Jackson
Joe Holmes	Mr. H. A. Macpherson
N. A. Smith	Mr. H. A. Macpherson
Majority for Toronto	17

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The return match is likely to be played on the green here to-morrow.

The interesting game was played by the two clubs at the home of the Busholm Road Club on Monday afternoon.

The players enjoyed the drive to Kitchener, Action won, but by a very narrow majority. The Action bowlers manifested considerable improvement as a result of the season's strenuous practice. The score was as follows:

ACTON	KITCHENER
J. J. Gibbons	L. Long
C. E. Henderson	O. Overland
John H. Kennedy	W. Gandy
H. J. Macklinson	skip
G. A. Skipper	skip
C. Henderson	skip
Joe Holmes	skip
N. A. Smith	skip
Majority for Action	31

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The Action bowlers will in all probability visit Acton again before the season is over.

NASSAWAYEA.

On Thursday there was a severe hail storm in this township. Corn, turnips and mangolds were damaged, windows were broken in some houses and fruit damaged. The hail could be gathered up in handfuls. The rain was also heavy, flooding some low-lying fields.

The officers and directors of Nassawawayea Fall Fair are exerting themselves to make the fair on the 8th October, a great success.

The prize lists are out and Secretary Carton, of Moffat, is busy distributing them.

At the recent Currie estate sale P. Hayes, Guelph, purchased a very valuable timber lot of 100 acres.

Harry Brown, an English emigrant, who worked in this township for some time during the summer, fell off the wharf at Toronto during the exhibition and was drowned. The only document found on him which affords a clue to his identification was the receipt portion of a post-office money order issued last week at Nassawawayea Fall Fair to Harry Brown for a small sum of money to be remitted to C. Cox, 111 Bachester Street, Poplar, England.

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