

BORN.
Born—In Acton, on Monday, 13th May, to Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Bell, a son.
HANDBELL.—Died, Tuesday 15th May, at home, Mr. C. G. Hanbell, a son.
HAWAY.—At Victoria, back, on Monday, 13th May, to Dr. and Mrs. C. M. Haway, another.
DIED.

MCKENZIE.—In Newmarket, on Thursday, 11th May, John McKenize, in his 70th year.
McLELLAND.—Died, Tuesday 13th May, Infant daughter of David Mclelland.
MCLELLAND.—In Brantford, on Saturday, 13th May, William Mclelland, formerly of Acton, in his 76th year.
MCLELLAND.—At home, Oakville, on Friday, 18th May, Auguste, wife of James W. Mclelland.
MCLELLAND.—In her 70th year.

The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, MAY 21, 1896

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Presbyterian Synod of Toronto and Kingston last week endorsed by practically unanimous vote a resolution declaring its judgment to be that the vote on local veto of the retail liquor traffic should be a simple majority vote and not the three-fifths majority at present existing.

In the provincial elections now due, the character of the individual candidate is of more importance than the party under the auspices of which he is appealing to the electors. Party names in this province have lost their meaning. There were Tories, in the sense in which this term was originally used, on the Liberal side of the late Legislature, and there were Radicals on the Government side. It is important not only to see that men with ideas and the courage to express the same, irrespective of party leanings, are elected; it is also of importance that these men be impressed during the campaign with a sense of the strength of popular opinion upon certain questions.—The Weekly Sun.

There was very reassuring news from England last week. The dispatch ran:

London, May 4.—The House of Commons has passed the second reading of the licensing bill by a majority of 210 and referred the measure to a Committee of the Whole House.

The most the temperance workers had hoped for was a majority of 200. The bill will now go to committee for discussion of its details and attempts at amendment. Temperance people will watch it through, that stage with anxious interest, but a majority of 210 is pretty good to start with. The final passage of the bill will be a tremendous shock to the liquor power in its stoutest stronghold.

The opinion prevails that business conditions throughout the country are rapidly improving. Money is more plentiful and should prove as good as they now promise in east and west it is thought that a full tide of prosperity will set in promptly. But things are different from what they were a year ago. Many men still out of work. Great corporations are short of orders. "Hired hand holders" have less value to boast. Water has been squeezed out of stock. Dividends are not so large. The business spirit is hesitating and timid. Liquidation is a frequent occurrence. Most families have cut down expenses. Less merchandise is being consumed. A modified tone pervades that nation's life. More people are thinking to-day about what makes for their best good than ever before. Thoughtfulness means seriousness, and this means a tonic up.

The prospects are very encouraging that Mr. R. D. Warren will get a large vote in Acton at the Provincial elections on the 6th June. This is very natural for Acton has a personal interest in Mr. Warren. He was born in Esquinton, just out of the town; his boyhood and young manhood here, and he has always taken a loyal interest in the town. After he had been in business for a time he manifested his interest in his native town by securing the splendid business block in the centre of the town which bears his name and which filled a long-felt want here. This evidence of interest, among others that might be named, was much appreciated at the time, and is still remembered by all who have an interest in Acton's prosperity. Outside, therefore, of a seat in the Provincial Legislature—which we have referred to in former issues—the support of Acton electors will go out to him in large measure for the personal practical interest he has always taken in the old home.

COUNCIL HAS BRIEF SESSION.

Passed Accounts; Has Dissolution Consideration and Adjourned.

Council met in regular session on Monday evening. Members present: Reeve, Schuchauer and Councillors, Sleight, Bell and Williams.

The Committee on Finance presented their report and recommended payment of accounts as follows: Dominion Paper Co., \$170.00; J. A. Hamilton, work on street 1.50; T. Marsh, 1.00; Mr. W. H. Williams, supplies . . . 11.00 Canadian Rubber Co., mitts 1.00 Dr. Horro, services in small paper cases . . . 11.00 Anton Finkus, advertising 1.00 \$216.80

The report was adopted.

The matter of work on the streets was discussed but no definite plan decided upon.

A letter from Boardman & Co., stating that the bridges on Brook and Church streets encroached upon the easement of their mill privilege was received. The Council was requested to acknowledge the rights of the company.

The matter will be investigated and reported upon next meeting.

A suggestion made by Mr. Hawke, of Erin, of utilising the electric light plant for generating power to run a chopping mill during the day was considered, but was deemed not feasible.

The Chairman of the Town Hall re-

ported that the subsoil from had not arrived for the Council Chamber ceiling and walls. This room, will therefore not be put into commission for a week or two yet.

Council adjourned at 10 o'clock.

EDUCATION COSTS US \$1,332.00

The Board Passed Uo Estimates for the Current Year.

PRINCIPAL STEWART HAS BEEN RE-ENGAGED.

The monthly session of the Board of Education on Monday evening had an unusually full docket of business. The estimates for the year were brought down and various matters of interest to the educational progress of the village were discussed.

The members were all present. Chairman Agnew presided.

The fifth annual report of the Committee on Finance passed the following account:

G. C. & C. & W. 1.25
Anton Finkus, printing 1.82
N. Bauer, work on repairs 6.00
Principal Stewart, salary, etc 7.00
H. Grindell, expense, O.C.A. 2.00
W. White, work partition 12.15
Chas. H. Ziegler, "etc." 13.95
Geo. H. Herd, co., apparatus 10.00
William Briggs, school library 10.00
\$279.90

The report was adopted.

A sum of \$2.00 was granted to the Continuation School section of the O. S. A.

The estimates of receipts and expenditures for the year were submitted as follows:

INCOMES

Legislative grant, Public S. School 102.00

Legislative grant, continuation school 390.00

County Council, Public S. School 380.00

Continuation School fees 23.00

Boardmen & Co., non resident fees 110.00

Municipal Council, on assessment 1906 3020.00

EXPENDITURES

Salaries 320.00

Building and repairs 175.00

Books, maps, apparatus 175.00

Insurance 10.00

Interest and discounts 10.00

Postage and money 5.00

Balance due on pavement 35.00

Supplies 12.15

\$1,023.00

Moved by I. Francis, seconded by H. Grindell, that the foregoing estimates be adopted and the Municipal Council requested to provide by taxation the sum of \$1,332.00.—Carried.

Principal Stewart waited upon the Board with a view to re-engagement.

Moved by I. Francis, seconded by A. Mowat, that Principal Stewart be re-engaged at the salary of \$800 per annum.—Carried.

The Property Committee was requested to have the flag staff put into condition for hoisting the school flag on Empire Day.

Trustee Grindell, the Board's representative to the Trustee's section of the Ontario Educational Association, gave the Board very interesting review of the work of the Association.

A resolution of appreciation was passed by the Board.

Reference was made to the loss sustained by Chairman Agnew in the death of his father on the 6th inst.

Moved by J. S. Coleman, seconded by H. Grindell, that inasmuch as our Chairman, Mr. Geo. Agnew, has since our last meeting, been bereaved by the death of his father, Mr. Robert Agnew, who was for more than two score years a citizen of Acton—the Board desires to extend to the Chairman and the family this expression of our sympathy in regard thereto.—Carried.

The Chairman feelingly voiced his appreciation of this kind act on the part of the board.

The Board then adjourned.

OPENING CORNER.

The Provincial election campaign has been very quiet in these parts so far.

The only attraction in this section for Victoria Day is the picnic at Brookville with fine weather will no doubt be well patronized.

Mr. R. Gibson has disposed of his thoroughbred blood horse, Tragedian, to Mr. A. Black, of Nassagawaya.

Mr. W. Lamb sold his fine team of drivers last week, Dr. Gray of Acton, getting one, and Mr. Wm. Orr, of Erin village, the other. The price paid was a good one.

Miss Kathie Gray has passed successfully her final examination at the Metropolitan College of Medicine, Toronto. Miss Gray was very successful and with honors. She has been one of Prof. Lee's most diligent pupils. Miss Gray will teach music and a very bright future for her is predicted.

Misses Lizzie and Annie McDonald, of Acton, spent Sunday at Mr. Gen. Graham's.

SIMPLY HOME RECIPE.

Mix This Simple, Helpful Recipe at Home and Try It Anyway.

Get from any prescription pharmacist the following:

Flock Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kurgan, one ounce; Compound Syrup Barasparilla, one ounce.

Shake well in a bottle and take ten spoonfuls dose after each meal and at bedtime.

The above is considered by an eminent authority, who writes in a New York daily paper, as the finest prescription ever written to relieve Backache, Kidney Troubles, Weak Bladder and all forms of Urinary difficulties. This mixture acts promptly on the eliminative tissues of the Kidneys, enabling them to filter and strain the urine and other wastes from the blood.

Some persons who suffer with the affections may not feel inclined to take such strong medicine in this simple mixture, yet those who have tried it say the results are simply surprising, the relief being effected without the slightest injury to the stomach or other organs.

Mix some and give it a trial. It certainly comes highly recommended. It is the prescription of an eminent authority, whose entire reputation is said, was established by it.

A struggle here at home, when asked, stated that he could either supply the ingredients or mix the prescription for our readers, also recommends it as harmless.

Reply: not; the disappointments of to-day often prove to be remedies of tomorrow. —S. E. G.

Editorial column at 10 o'clock.

HALTON COUNTY COUNCIL

The Proposal to Raise Money by Detriment for Good Roads Defeated.

THE WORK PROCEEDING NOW-EVEN.

The County Council met at the Court House on Tuesday of last week. Members all present, the Warden in the chair.

Beyond the presenting of a few reports very little business of any consequence was transacted that day, the main business waiting for the report from the good roads committee, which was not presented to the council till late in the afternoon, too late to have it discussed, as several of the members had to leave to catch the train for home. A second day's session was consequently necessary.

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ONTARIO ELECTIONS

A mass meeting in the interests of the candidate of

R. D. WARREN

will be held in the Town Hall, Action, Thursday, May 28th

Address by

Mr. H. M. Mowat, of Toronto, Mr. Warren, and others.

All are cordially invited.

Bests will be reserved for the ladies.

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