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# The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 1913


## BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS

—Fine growing weather these days.

—It's not quite the good old summer time yet.

—Methodist Choir Concert in the town hall to night.

—Everything is now aglow with the breath of springtime.

—A number of new telephones are being installed in town.

—The brick walls of the Station Hotel are rising rapidly.

—Don't knock the town. Boost it. Boosting always pays better.

—Oakville's new brick work commenced operations this week.

—Fishing for suckers is the popular pastime of the boys these days.

—Davies' big ice house at Hamilton was destroyed by fire on Friday.

—Burlington's assessment is $971,410 this year, an increase of $460,000 in six years.

—Milton's assessment this year is $610,187,00, an increase of about $60,000.

—Mr. P. M. Barry is still shipping turnips. He has shipped over 400 cars this season.

—Lord Strathcona has sent a subscription of $5,000 for the St. Thomas Y. M. C. A.

—The feast of the Passover was observed by the Jews here on Monday and Tuesday.

—A by-law to raise $30,000 to build cement sidewalks in Orillia was carried last week.

—T. Statham & Son are getting nicely settled in their new store in the Warren Block.

—In Wentworth they are talking of lighting the County roads with Hydro Electric current.

—Rev. J. C. Wilson, B. A., attended a meeting of the Guelph Presbytery at Guelph last Friday.

—The rush for shingles to repair roofs damaged by Good Friday's cyclone still continues.

—Rev. Dr. Dix, of Chalmers Church, Guelph, has accepted the call to Westminster Church, Nutana, Sask.

—There'll be a full house and a fine programme at the Methodist Choir Concert in the town hall to-night.

—The grading for the electric road through the Campbell farm to the Fairy Lake bridge is progressing rapidly.

—A new Masonic temple is to be erected in Guelph this year on Quebec Street. The plans are under preparation.

—Birds from the south returning, the air is filled with song; little lambkins skip and play, know spring has come.

—Inspector Ellis, of Toronto, was here on Monday inspecting the books of the late R. J. McNabb, Division Court Clerk.

—The meat shops in town will close on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thurday evenings after this week, at seven o'clock.

—The dust on the streets has been very troublesome the past week. Citizens generally hope for the usual spring coating of road oil.

—Georgetown public school board is not to be outdone by Acton and is preparing to build a two-room addition to its public school.—Brampton Banner.

—That was a fine piece of work Officer Harvey accomplished in scraping Mill Street on Saturday. A similar job on Church Street will improve that thoroughfare.

—The Paper Mill strike was settled in a few hours last Wednesday. The men were given an increase in wages and the mill was running as usual the same evening.—Herald.

—T. Statham & Son have removed to their new store in the Warren Block. They have about twice the floor space here, and their stock looks well in the new quarters.

—Mr. H. O. Stevens, of Toronto, has purchased from Sir Donald Mann the farm of the late Hugh Mann, Esq., and has taken possession. Mr. Stevens will make a very worthy citizen.

—Never send a dollar away from home when the article that the dollar will purchase can be obtained at home. Money is our financial blood. Its circulation keeps the business body alive.

—Assessor Harvey has completed the assessment for 1913. The assessable property aggregates $461,030, property exempt from taxation $56,800, total $517,830. Non-resident property $4,975.

—At the meeting of the executive of Esquesing Sunday School Association at Georgetown last Saturday it was decided to hold the annual convention in Acton, if agreeable to the local workers.

—An unknown meddler ran an engine from Brock Junction on the C. P. R. to Guelph Junction yards on Sunday afternoon. In the yard a freight was collided with and thrown into the ditch.


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## NEWS OF LOCAL IMPORT.

**They Allege Discrimination**

A number of employees in one of the departments of the sole leather tannery walked out on Friday evening, because of an alleged discrimination in wages in favor of foreigners lately employed. They claim the foreigners are receiving ten per cent. or more above the wages paid local men with families settled here.

**Annual Meeting of Woman's Institute**

The annual meeting of the Woman's Institute will be held on Thursday afternoon, May 1st, at three o'clock, in the Council Chamber. Besides the general election of officers two topics will be presented: "What Money Cannot Buy" and "Most Suitable Foods for Spring and Summer" by request; the former by Mrs. W. H. Stewart, the latter by Mrs. A. T. Brown.

**Base Ball League for Halton**

We understand there is every likelyhood of a strong base ball team being organized in town this year. We are glad to hear this, as something of the kind is needed to keep our young men in good physical trim. From what we have heard there is some first class material in town out of which to form a winning team. There should be a county league formed, including Acton, Burlington, Georgetown, Milton and Oakville. That many teams would make a most interesting series, and there is no doubt the games would be splendidly patronized by the base ball enthusiasts of these places. And the sooner the league is formed the better. Get to work, gentleman.—Milton Reformer.

**Epworth League Officers**

At the annual meeting of the Epworth League on Tuesday evening the officers for the year were elected as follows:

President—Miss Ethel Coleman.
1st Vice-Pres.—Mrs. A. T. Brown.
2nd Vice-Pres.—Miss M. Z. Bennett.
3rd Vice-Pres.—Miss Bertie Speight.
4th Vice-Pres.—A. T. Brown.
Secretary—Miss Lily Frankum.
Cor. Secretary—Miss Dorothy Nelson.
Treasurer—J. V. Coleman.
Pianist—Miss Josie Stephenson.
Asst. Pianist—Ernest A. Brown.
Con. Musical Com.—Miss Clara E. Moore.

The first session of the mock parliament will be held next Tuesday evening.

**Removed to Owen Sound**

Mr. N. F. Moore, who has been manager of the business in Acton of R. Noble, miller, Norval, the past five or six years, left on Tuesday to take a position with the J. K. McLauchlan Supply Co., Owen Sound. Mr. Moore's removal is a distinct loss to Acton. He has proven himself a most trustworthy and useful citizen and business man. His interest in the church, choir, orchestra and band has been most helpful and acceptable. Mrs. Moore, John L. and wee Margaret will follow in the course of a few weeks. Mr. James L. Warren, who has filled a position in the business here for several years, has succeeded Mr. Moore.

**Here is an Honest Man**

When returning the roll at the meeting of the Municipal Council on Monday evening Tax Collector Harvey remarked that while the roll showed a sum of 57c. uncollected, the aggregate amount of the taxes levied was really overpaid. During his rounds a citizen had stopped him and asked the rate of the dog tax. Mr. Harvey replied that it was $2.00. "Well," said the man, "I have moved to Acton since the assessment was completed, but I own a dog, and here is the $2.00." The collector was naturally somewhat overcome, but he succeeded in writing the receipt and the new citizen went away with the inward consciousness that he had acted the part of an honest man.

**The Tweedale-Clark Nuptials**

The wedding of Mrs. Ellen Clark, late of Forest Gate, England, and Mr. Edward Tweedale, late of Skye, Rochdale, England, took place at the home of Mrs. S. Taylor, daughter of the bridegroom, Frederick Street, Acton, on Saturday, 19th inst. The ceremony was conducted by Rev. F. G. Burrell, B. A., former pastor of the bride. The bride, who was given away by her uncle, Mr. Henry Neal, wore a white silk dress and a corsage bouquet of white roses. She was attended by her daughter, Miss Rose Clark and Mrs. S. Taylor. Mr. Chas. Clark acted as best man. The bridegroom's gift to the bride was a sunburst of pearls. The bride's cake was the gift of the bride's aunt, Mrs. H. Neal. Among the guests were Mrs. R. Durstan and Mr. and Mrs. Foulds, of Guelph; Mr. J. Hilton, Mrs. Fiddler, Mr. and Mrs. H. Schofield, Mr. and Mrs. F. Schofield, and Mr. R. Dunham, of Toronto; Mrs. R. Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Grace, Mr. Robert Storey and Miss Storey, Mr. and Mrs. W. Coles, Mr. F. Elliott, Miss Katie Morris, Mr. R. Gunton and Mr. Spielvogel, Acton. Mr. and Mrs. Tweedale are receiving the hearty congratulations of their numerous Acton friends.

**The Enlarged School Building**

The excellent engraving on our first page from the architect's elevation of the proposed enlarged school buildings gives a very striking view of the appearance of the building when completed. The plans both for exterior and interior have been approved by the Education Department. The addition of the three new rooms will relieve the crowded condition for years. The location of the school is admirably adapted to the town. It is well isolated and withal is fairly accessible to all the scholars from all our homes. There is no doubt that ultimately Alice Street will be opened up, a bridge constructed over Corporation Pond, and the street continued with a southerly entrance to the school grounds. This will give access to the pupils of the east end of the town more readily and will still more enhance the value of the property for the purpose for which it has been used for the past fifty years. It is rather remarkable that Georgetown, Milton and Oakville are each in similar extremity with Acton, in the necessity for increased school accommodation; and like us their Boards are under orders from the Education Department to provide the needed additional rooms. Burlington opened a new $65,000 Public School last November.

**A Progressive County Council**

The neighboring county of Waterloo has decided to expend $765 for a motor car for F. C. Hart, District Agricultural Inspector, of Galt, to enable him to travel over the county giving farmers instructions in spraying and proper drainage. The car will be the property of the county.

**Died Without Friends**

Joseph Babe, a Russian, living on Beardmore Crescent, who had been ill for several weeks without medical attendance, was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital, Guelph, last Thursday and died there the next day. He had lived here for a couple of years, sent nearly all wages home to Russia and subsisted on a few cents a week. He was employed in one of the tanneries and appears to have no friends here.

**A Contrast in Tax Collecting**

There is a deficit of $2,500 in North Bay's tax department. This is quite a contrast to Tax Collector Harvey's record. The roll here was returned on Monday evening with only 57c. the tax on a small non-resident lot, uncollected. This is certainly a record to be proud of. It says much for Mr. Harvey's ability as a efficient collector of taxes and also much for the financial standing and integrity of Acton's ratepayers.

**Brampton Masons Dedicate New Hall**

The Masons of Brampton and vicinity turned out well to attend the dedication of their new Masonic lodgeroom, which took place this evening. The Grand Master M. W. Bro. Aubrey White and the officers of the Grand Lodge officiated in the ceremony. The new lodgeroom, it is believed, is one of the finest in the country. Some time ago The Times building was purchased for the purpose and since then a two-story addition has been erected in the rear. A capacious living-room and banquet hall feature the new building.

**Milton School Crowded too**

Owing to want of room in the primary department of the public school, instructions were issued some time ago that no pupils of less than six years of age should be accepted, but the age limit fails to meet present conditions. Every seat in the department is now occupied and, within a short time, at least twelve children have been turned away, some of them over seven years old. There are 120 pupils in the department, too many for one teacher. A considerable increase in population is expected this year and prompt action to meet the situation is necessary.

**Oakville's Schools Overcrowded**

The Board of Education held a most interesting meeting in the clerk's office on Thursday evening when the question of an additional room and teacher for the public school was discussed at length. The primary room has sixty pupils which is far in excess of a desirable number. Besides, some twenty-five or thirty pupils are waiting to be admitted. The board decided to at once advertise for a new teacher and the lower room of the new wing will be used. Seats were ordered by telephone this morning and the new teacher is expected to start on May 1st.—Star.

**The New C. P. R. Line**

The new C. P. R. line from a point near Bolton in a westerly direction through the counties of Peel and Halton, to a point on the line near Campbellville, was one of the clauses in the C. P. R. Act of 1912, taken up by the Committee of Railways and Canals at Ottawa on Tuesday. This is one of ten new C. P. R. branch lines. The company may issue bonds for $50,000 a mile for this Ontario Branch, may commence to build in two years, and must complete in five. The Committee passed the bill without amendments. The line will probably run through or near to Acton.

**Arbor Day and Empire Day**

Arbor Day falls this year on May 2nd and Empire Day as usual on May 24th. Teachers are urged to take full advantage of the opportunity these days afford, the first for the improvement and beautifying of school surroundings and impressing upon the children the value of tidiness and neatness with some lessons also in horticulture; and Empire Day for impressing on their minds the important events in our Empire and Canadian history, and inculcating a spirit of patriotism and love of country in the growing generation. A great deal can be done along practical lines by teachers taking advantage of the opportunities these days afford.

**Cruelty to an Animal**

Wm. Watson, a drover for James Faills, stockman, appeared in the Police Court and was fined $1 and $0 costs for abusing a steer which he was driving into a local butcher on Monday evening from the west side. Chief Kidd was called by telephone to the scene in Queen Street west where Watson had a fat bullock stalled in the road. The animal had probably been stall fed and could not travel. The methods Watson was using aroused the neighborhood and a citizen phoned the Chief. Like most of his kind Watson seems to have no conception of what constitutes cruelty to an animal. There are others besides Watson hereabouts guilty of cruelty to animals. There are those fellows who tie the legs of a calf together and throw it helpless into the bottom of a wagon. We hope the Chief will get some of them.—Brampton Banner.

**Methodist Athletic Association**

An athletic association was organized at Georgetown on Tuesday evening under the auspices of the Athletic Associations of the Methodist Churches of Acton, Brampton, Georgetown and Milton, with the following officers:

President—Rev. M. J. Wilson, B. A., Milton.
1st Vice-Pres.—Neil McNabb, Acton.
2nd Vice-Pres.—James Algie, Brampton.
Secretary-Treasurer—J. Kennedy, Georgetown.

Each local association will have its respective officiary. The purpose of the organization is to have competitive sports and social intercourse among the young people of the churches. There may be competitions in baseball, football, ladies' basket ball, etc. Each visiting association will be entertained by the young people of the local church and the athletic game will be followed by a social evening with literary and musical programme.—Rev. Mr. Draper and Mr. Neil McNabb were the delegates from Acton at the meeting.

## PERSONAL AND TRAVEL NOTES

**Social and Personal Items of Interest to The Free Readers**

**GLEANED DURING THE WEEK**

Mrs. George Soper was taken seriously ill last week.

Mrs. George McBain visited Toronto friends last week.

Miss Alva Harvey was home from Norval over Sunday.

Mr. John Cunningham, of Greenock, was in town on Saturday.

Miss Mary Masales, of Guelph, visited friends here this week.

Miss Agnes Tovell, of Toronto, visited Acton friends over Sunday.

Mr. Frank Swackhamer, of Toronto, is spending a few days in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Noble, of Toronto, visited Acton friends this week.

Mr. Thomas J. Moore, of Wiarton, was a guest at Mourecroft on Saturday.

Mr. Thomas Smith, of Woodstock, Vermont, was the guest of Miss Mamie Masales this week.

Mr. W. H. Grant, of the Canadian Northern Railway, Toronto, was in town on Monday.

Mr. James Price, who has been seriously ill for a couple of months, is able to walk out again.

Miss Emma Hawthorne, who has been critically ill for several weeks, is now slowly recovering.

Mr. Linton Kenney, son of Mr. John Kenney, has been added to the staff of the Merchants Bank.

Mrs. Harold Davis and Miss Eileen, of Mitchell, are guests of Mr. Jos. Holmes, Bower Avenue.

Rev. Chas. D. Draper is attending a meeting of the Executive of Hamilton Conference Summer School at Galt today.

Mrs. W. Malone and children, of Stratford, who have been visiting her parents here, returned home on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Swackhamer left on Tuesday for Toronto. Their home in the city will be 55 Parmenagh Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Rene R. Barber, arrived home on Saturday last after spending the winter in Southern France.—Herald.

J. D. Matheson, formerly of Milton, has been elected Police Judge, of Billings, Montana, by a plurality of 153. There were eight candidates.—Champion.

Dr. T. Gray, whose foot was painfully bruised through his horse stepping on it a couple of weeks ago, is able to get about with a fair degree of comfort again.

Mr. R. L. Campbell, of the Toronto branch of the Metropolitan Bank, has been here the past week relieving Mr. Winton, teller, who has been ill. Mr. Campbell's friends have been pleased to see him here again.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bews, who have been spending a couple of weeks at Preston mineral springs, returned home Monday, with Mr. Bews' health considerably improved, we are glad to state.—Milton Reformer.

**What the Reformers Promise**

The Ontario Legislature will rise this week. Then look out for a vacancy in Halton. It seems to be generally accepted that Dr. Nixon, the present member, will be the next Registrar for the County.—Milton Reformer.

**Next Thursday 1st May—Goin' Fishin'?**

To be pitied is the man who at this season of the year does not respond, in spirit at least, to a faint luring voice which calls him away from depressing cares and thronged streets to the place where the sun shines warm and the currents swirl and eddy amid a lacework of shadows cast by swaying overhanging boughs, and where the minnows nibble now and then at a worm-baited hook. He is to be pitied because it is very clearly manifest that he is so hardened in soul as to be indifferent to the supreme joy of boyhood. A perpetual responsiveness to the "goin' a-fishin'" spirit is the mark of a healthy and progressive age. Pay no attention whatever to the man who would link laziness and fishing. Shun the man who thinks that the latter joy is primitive and undignified for a real man. The boys, yes, and numbers of men, too, have been fishing here for suckers and catfish the past week. Trout-fishing will commence next Thursday.

**No Liquor Licenses for Brampton**

The License Commissioners of the County, Messrs. Hare, Jamieson and Barber, met at the Court House last Thursday. Applications from the Queens, Royal and Graham House in Brampton were received but no action was taken. The applications of the last two were accompanied by petitions signed by the required number of ratepayers. Nobody appeared for the Brampton applicants, but the temperance people were represented by Mr. B. F. Justin and Rev. Dr. Long. The License Commissioners of Peel have done what they announced they would—granted no hotel licenses in Brampton. From their action in the matter it can only be concluded that the license law of Ontario no longer applies to Brampton. We are now under department law, the law of Hon. Mr. Hanna, the interpretation of which is dependent on the instruction of Mr. Samuel Charters, Conservative M. P. P. for Peel. The License Commissioners simply carry out the orders of their superiors, and these orders are that no licenses be granted in Brampton.—Banner.

—The interest in Rev. Mr. Draper's series of sermons on the Ten Commandments, in the Methodist Church, continued to grow. He preached an able discourse on "Thou Shalt Not Steal" last Sunday evening.

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