

WE HAVE A BACK LOG OF SUBMISSIONS FOR THE NEWSLETTER SO I WILL INCLUDE A NUMBER OF THEM THIS TIME.....

1891 Law & Order- Time Capsules from Milton's Past – The Canadian Champion

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April, 1891

A Bill to enforce attendance at the Public and Separate Schools has been introduced by Hon. Mr. Ross. It provides that all children between eight and fourteen years of age must attend for the full school term unless excused for any of the following: sickness, no school within two miles, no accommodation in such school, or where child is undergoing instruction elsewhere. Children who have passed entrance examination or who are excused by a justice of the peace by reason of their being urgently required at home are also exempt from compulsory attendance. Constables are required to visit factories to see that children of school age are not employed there.



Constable Fred Oliver's Hand Cuffs

June, 1891

Two writs have been issued against a middle-aged bachelor of Nelson Township, claiming \$2000 on each count for alleged seduction and breach of promise. The plaintiff in the seduction suit is J.D.Z. formerly of Nelson, now of Waterdown, and he sues J.H., a farmer of about forty-five years of age, for alleged seduction of his eighteen year old daughter. The daughter, M.P.A.Z., also sues \$2000 for breach of promise. The child was born about ten days ago. It is asserted that the defendant asked the girl to marry him and also tried to get the consent of the mother.

August, 1891

As there has been no "hard labor" prisoners in jail up until Monday there had been no one to work on the court house square, cutting grass and weeds and cleaning up generally and it was looking untidy; but as soon as Warren, the Ashgrove youth was sentenced on Monday to two months of hard labor, he was set to work. There will be plenty of employment for him until his time is up and the grounds will no doubt soon look the better for his operations.

October, 1891

Chief Constable Landsboro' carries a gun and on Sunday night, when on his rounds putting out the street lamps, he shot a small spaniel with it. The dog belonged to Bandmaster Collins who was passing in a buggy and who got out and demanded an explanation from the constable. The latter said that the dog was about to attack him; but the owner of the animal said it was perfectly harmless and never attacked anyone. Whether there will be trouble about the shooting or not remains to be seen.

June 1892

The Act, passed at the recent session of the Ontario Legislature to prohibit the sale of tobacco, cigars or cigarettes to persons under eighteen years of age, came into operation on June 1st. The penalty for selling or giving to such persons is not less than \$10 or more than \$50. Any person actually or apparently 18 years of age found using cigars, cigarettes or tobacco on the streets or in any public place is liable to a fine of from \$1 to \$5 for each offense.