THE CANADIAN CHAMPION.

MILTON, MAY 20, 1886

Should there not be something done for the conversion of the seven members of the Milton town council against whom such grave charges of intemperance, immorality and general depravity were made in the Russ-Parker letter published in the CHAMPION last week? How would it do to send the benighted seven to Toronto next fall at the expense of the corporation to attend the revival services of Sam Jones?

REV. DR. PARKER, of St. Thomas, professes in his letters, which appear in another column, to be greatly shocked at what he calls the stealing of his confidential correspondence; but has nothing to say in condemnation of the vile slanders and scandal contained in that correspondence. As a professed christian and a minister of the gospel he should be as jealous of the violations of one divine command as those of another. We would respectfully recommend him, in studying the decalogue, not to stop short at the eighth commandment, but to read on and see if the one following it does not say, "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor."

PERSONAL REASONS.

The Acton Free Press has failed to substantiate its lying statements that Milton "men in high places have not only winked at the violation of this (the Scott Act) and other laws, but have deliberately encouraged such violation," &c., &c., by giving the names of any of "the men in high places," in response to the challenge of the CHAMPION. It did not venture on a reply of any kind until last week, when it reproduced an article which had appeared in a certain scurrilous sheet which it is unnecessary to name. As the Free Press published this article under the heading, "Strictly Correct," we shall look upon it as expressing the views of our Acton contemporary and give it attention that it would not have received otherwise.

The article says that the Free Press "could give the names of the parties, but from personal reasons does not care to do so," and challenges the CHAMPION to publish a list of names of Milton shebeen-keepers.

We can easily believe that the Free Press has "personal reasons for not giving the names and details for which the CHAMPION asked, the same personal reasons that the writer of the villanous confidential letter exposed by the CHAMPION last week had for wishing to keep his precious epistle out of print. Our Acton friend knows that there are laws to punish libel and slander as well as unlicensed whiskey selling, and he has a wholesome dread of those laws.

We, too, have personal reasons for not publishing the names of the Milton shebeen-keepers. We have known people who have meddled with those gentry, whose trade has been created and fostered by the Scott Act, to have their windows broken and to have been the victims of other outrages, and we have no hankering to join the noble army of Scott Act martyrs, particularly as we have no sympathy with the iniquitous and tyrannical law on behalf of which they have suffered. We are among those too for whom the occupation and name of "whiskey informer" have no charms, and there are many professed prohibitionists who share our prejudices, however absurd these may appear to the Free Press. Further, as there is an official whiskey informer here, and as that individual professes to know of twelve shebeens in Milton, we see no necessity for meddling, we shall leave him to do the dirty work which he has undertaken, and we refer our Acton contemporary to him for the names of the keepers of the dives.

THE RUSS-PARKER LETTER.

ADMITTED TO BE GENUINE AND DEMANDED FROM MAYOR HANNANT.

The exposure last week by the CHAMPION and *Sun* of the libellous Russ-Parker letter made a great sensation, and excitement still runs high. So far, nothing has come of the threat of Messrs. Watson, Thorne & Smoke, the Toronto solicitors, of "immediate legal proceedings," and it appears likely to end, like the name of the firm from whom it came, in smoke. That such a threat should be made, and that Messrs. Russ and Parker should have attempted to prevent the publication of the St. Thomas letter, ought to have been enough to convince every body that epistle was genuine, but lest their may be any who still doubt, we give our readers a little additional proof. It will be found below in the shape of two letters, the first of which appeared in the St. Thomas *Times* of the 15th inst., while the second was received by Mayor Hannant on Monday last.

To the Editor of the Times:

SIR,—It will now be the turn of the party who furnished the letter signed "A. E. Russ," addressed to me and published in the issue of your daily yesterday, and in the Milton *Sun*, to inform the public *how* he got possession of this piece of *private* property.

If it be necessary to clear myself of any collusion with the enemies of the Canada Temperance Act, I beg to say that I did not furnish the Mayor of Milton nor yourself with either the original or the "copy." Moreover, I did not betray the "confidential" instructions of the writer, as testified by the specific statements of several gentlemen best qualified to know, that in no case did they remember me saying that I had received a letter from Milton, much less the mention of any name as its author.

I see no way any honest or honorable person could be in possession of said letter; and, therefore, I am compelled to the painful conclusions, that it was stolen, or been accidentally lost by me, was found by some one, and given to another, rather than the *owner*. That any man holding an article sacredly *private* by the law and the nature of things, should send it to another than the *owner*, with "permission to use it as he saw fit," argues a sentiment and a character that must be execrated by the impartial judgment of all civilized society. Certainly, the verdict will be, touching those most involved, that "the receiver is as bad as the thief."

Yours,
W. R. PARKER.

St. Thomas, May 15th, 1886.

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DEAR SIR,—I hereby make formal demand for the immediate return to me, or Rev. A. E. Russ, M. A., Milton, and not to our solicitor, Toronto, of my letter signed "A. E. Russ," and which letter you saw fit to have published in your town papers without having ascertained (*sic.*) from me, as you might have presumed, that this letter was *not procured from* me nor controlled by the sender *through honest means*.

Yours, &c.,
W. R. PARKER.

His Worship, Mayor Hannant,
Milton, Ont.

Scott Act Trials.

The Police Magistrate held a sitting at the Court House, Milton, on Tuesday last.

The first case was against Mrs Hayes, of Stewartown, for violating the Scott Act on the second day of May, inst. Mr. John Hayes admitted the charge and defendant was fined $50 and $6.50 costs.

The second case was against Thomas Little, for selling intoxicating liquor in controvention of the provisions of the Canada Temperance Act between the 1st and 31st day of March. Mr. McGibbon, for the defendant, waived the reading of the information and pleaded not guilty.

JOHN VANSICKLE.—Have been in Mr. Little's hotel, at Palermo, about three times; got cider and raspberry to drink, never had any intoxicating liquor; did not ask for anything else; was not drunk; neither did I get any intoxicating liquor within three months; was served with the summons yesterday; have not seen Mr. Little for two months until to-day.

WILLIAM STOUT.—Have been at Mr. Little's; I cannot say when I was there; but have only been there once within three months; never got any whisky or beer form him; got a glass of beef-tea; cannot say that I was always sober when there; did not get intoxicating liquor from him within three months.

WILLIAM EMERSON.—Have been at Mr. Little's; got some cider; nothing else; cannot say how many times I drank; was not intoxicated; always asked for cider; neither did I expect to get whisky or beer; had no conversation with any person about my evidence; was there with Vansickle and we were both sober.

HENRY THORNTON.—Have been in Mr. Little's house; had some whisky to drink on the road; brought it from home with me; drank some cider at Little's; got nothing intoxicating from Little; was sober when I went there and sober when I left.

Inspector Brothers acted as counsel for the prosecution and stated that Levi King was summoned but did not appear.

The case was dismissed.

The third charge was against Thos. Little for selling between the 1st and 30th days of April. The defendant pleaded not guilty and waived the reading of the information.

ROBERT BELL.—Am in Little's two or three times a week; sometimes two or three times a day; have had cider to drink; drank no intoxicating liquor in the house during the past three years.

WILLIAM BABCOCK.—Have been in Mr. Little's two or three times; asked for cider; never got anything else; was sober when I left there; never got any intoxicating liquor there.

JOHN CARKIFF, was called but did not answer.

WILLIAM TUCK, was also called, and and did not put in an appearance on account of illness.

The Police Magistrate remarked that in all fairness to the defendant, a thorough enquiry should be made into the case and that he would adjourn it.

ANDREW COFFER.—Left a summons with Mrs. Carkiff yesterday for her husband, and she took it, tore it up and said she would not give it to him; I also served William Tuck with a summons on Saturday; he had inflammation in one of his eyes, said that it would not be safe for him to come and sent a Dr's. certificate to that effect.

The Police Magistrate then stated that from the evidence given he would not be justified in adjourning and dismissed the case.

TOWN COUNCIL.

The council met on Monday evening last. Members all present, the Mayor in the chair.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report:

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to present their 5th report, and would recommend payment of the following accounts:

Wm. Ford, Streets & Sidewalks,		$10.50
W. Pitcher,	do.	5.00
W. Sherwood,	do.	3.50
A. Pitcher,	do.	5.50
Thos. Turner,	do.	16.50
W. Sloan,	do.	1.00
A. Luccasey,	do.	9.00
S. Bradley, Contingencies.....		7.75
A. Moffat,	do.	75
Hart & Co.,	do.	75
Thos. Turner, Fire and Water.....		17.60
		$77.85

C. JONES, Chairman, P. T.
JOHN HUNTER.

Moved by C. Jones, seconded by John Hunter, that the report of the Finance Committee just read be adopted.—Carried.

Moved by M. Conway, seconded by John Hunter, that the band have the hall on payment of $10.00 and the attendance, for the time used by the band and the Emma Wells troupe.—Carried.

Moved in amendment by G. A. Hemstreet, seconded by Jas. Lindsay, that the band have the use of the hall for $5.00.—Lost.

Moved by John Hunter, seconded by Chas. Jones, that the following members of the council be appointed a Court of Revision: J. H. McCollom, George Andrews, James Lindsay, J. P. Roper, and M. Conway, to be held at the Town Hall, June 15th, at 2 p. m.—Carried.

A by-law to amend "The Cattle By-law" was passed, prohibiting any horse, bull, sheep, goat, goose, pig, cow, or any other animal running at large within the limits of the municipality, and giving the sum of 25c. to any person impounding any animal, and appointing Mr. Jos. Brownridge pound-keeper.

Moved by J. H. McCollom, seconded by John Hunter, that the clerk have 50 copies of the by-law printed and posted.—Carried.

Council adjourned.

The St. Thomas Letter.

(Hamilton Spectator.)

Rev. A. E. Russ, a Milton preacher, wrote a letter to the Rev. Dr. Parker, in which he sought to explain the action of the Milton council, in asking for the repeal of the Scott Act, by slandering and libeling every councillor who voted for the repeal. Christian charity was conspicuously scarce in the letter, and all the "they says" the preacher could rake up were written against the names of the councillors. Copies of the letter got into the hands of the Milton newspapers, the CHAMPION and *Sun*. A law firm, acting for the Rev. Mr. Russ, demanded that the letter should not be published, the threatened penalty for publication being "further trouble." Both papers, however, published it, and Milton revels in the preacher's scandal. The prospects are that Mr. Russ will have a good deal more "further trouble" than the papers which published the letter.

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THE RUSS-ST. THOMAS LETTER.

Who is the Blind Leader of the Blind on the way to the Big Ditch?

SIR,—I have read, with feelings of sorrow and indignation, the letter signed A. E. Russ, and published in the *Sun* and CHAMPION on 18th inst. If the writer of that letter is really A. E. Russ, the Methodist minister of Milton, he has most certainly earned for himself the title of "blind leader of the blind," and gives very strong proof of his being on the road to which he calls the "big ditch." His letter is now published "far and wide" with its list of accusations against certain residents of Milton, men innocent of what is laid to their charge and who are suffering in character and usefulness from his malignant slanders. If legal proceedings are not instituted against him he must ascribe it to the fact that the parties accused are merciful and are acting on the law of Christ which requires us to forgive our enemies.

His letter is an attempt to explain why the Milton town council voted for a repeal or modification of the Scott Act. This he had a perfect right to do. As to his reference to the council, I have nothing to say. The councillors can defend themselves. But he has travelled out of his way to attack worthy ministers of the gospel in Milton, men far better than himself, and who refuse to defend themselves in those newspapers in which they are so vilely slandered and held up to public reprobation. What is what he says in his letter to his brother minister in St. Thomas:

"My Dear Parker this is a long and stubborn war, and will often try the patience of the saints, but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil; and I feel that I need the 27 Psal. 'Fret not thyself because of evildoers, &c.' The Old Kirk and English Church ministers are enemies of the Act, preach and write against it. Poor blind leaders of the blind.' The Lord save them from the big ditch."

Now I know that our Lord Jesus Christ did speak of the Pharisees of old being blind leaders of the blind, and spoke of their falling into the ditch; but not trusting to my own judgment in such matters, I had the privilege of consulting two well-known Presbyterian commentators, namely Barnes and Henry.

It is in Matt. XV. that our Saviour speaks to the Pharisees saying "Ye hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy concerning you saying, This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth and honoureth me with their lips; but their mouth is far from me. But in vain do they worship me; teaching for doctrines the commandments of men. Then our Saviour adds, "Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind; and if the blind lead the blind they shall both fall into the ditch." There were doubtless some good people among them, but as a class they were hypocritical and dishonest. To hear them pray in their synagogues and at the corners of the streets you would think them very religious, good people. Indeed they considered themselves the saints of the period. But our Saviour tells us they even "devoured widows' houses and for a pretense made long prayers," and "in vain they worshipped God, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men." Barnes says "they held their traditions to be superior to the written word of God, and taught them as doctrines binding on the conscience."

Now the Scott Act and general prohibition and unfermented wine in the sacrament are the commandments of men, and contrary to the word of God. Yet there are modern Pharisees who make these commandments of men the prominent articles of their creed, and vilify christian ministers who obey the word of God rather than the word of man in all such things. The writer of the scandalous letter thus speaks of Mr. Doble and Mr. Mackenzie:

"The Old Kirk and English Church ministers are enemies of the Act, preach and write against it. 'Poor blind leaders of the blind.' The Lord save them from the big ditch." When the writer of the infamous letter wrote these words he was secretly and blindly throwing mud, much mud, in hope that some of it would stick on the black coats of Messrs. Mackenzie and Doble, but in his blind and frantic efforts at mud throwing he has toppled over and has fallen into a ditch, a very dirty ditch, from which he will come forth an unenviable and pitiable spectacle, if he has not already done so. Why has he fallen into that ditch of deserved contempt and dishonour? It is because he was blind. Ignorance, bigotry, prejudice, and malignity will blind any man to his neighbor's good character.

But the ditch into which he has fallen cannot be what he calls the "big ditch." The "big" ditch must be something more terrible, namely, that referred to by our Lord as the proper place for hypocrites and "all liars who die impenitent. Henry, the commentator, describes it as the place of "eternal destruction and perdition." Who go there? Both the blind leaders and those who are blindly led by them; also "whoever loveth and maketh a lie." Rev. 22:15. Now, as already noticed, the writer of the slanderous letter gives strong evidences of himself being a blind leader and an unsafe guide in religion. But does he also love and make a lie? I shall not call him a liar. But I must say that he affirms what is not true. Messrs. Doble and Mackenzie are not blind leaders of the blind They are educated men, educated not only in human but also in christian knowledge. They have been studying and preaching during many long years the word of God and the way of salvation. Their character for intelligence, piety, honesty, and christian temperance has been unblemished during their long ministry, and they have ministered to congregations who are only slandered by being called "blind." It is also untrue that these two ministers have preached against the Scott Act, or even made allusions to it in their sermons. To represent these men as on the way to the "big" ditch, and as leading their congregations to "eternal destruction and perdition" is a very serious charge indeed, and is calculated to do much mischief more ways than one. It is the worst charge of all; worse than all the charges in the letter against the councillors of Milton; because a man may "drink liquor," or may have "pin feathers," or may have a near relation "who keeps a hotel," or even who pay "have been fined for selling liquor," and yet not be blind or posting down to perdition and everlasting destruction, and leading others to the same awful doom.

But this "accuser of the brethren" professes to pray for these two ministers! And what a prayer! the product not of faith and love, but of secret slander. It is more offensive than the prayer of the Pharisee in the temple who imagined himself a saint and despised the poor contrite publican.

What does he know of the religious life or experience of Mr. Doble or Mr. Mackenzie? Absolutely nothing. He has probably never spoken with them, nor they with him. He has much need however to be spoken to and to be prayed for; because his present uncharitable and untruthful conduct betokens a spirit unfit for heaven, and consequently fit only for what he is pleased to call the "big" ditch.

—TRUTH.

CANADIAN.

Louis Riel's widow is reported to be dying at St. Boniface, Manitoba.

A convict named Kervan escaped from Kingston penitentiary on Monday afternoon.

Crop reports from the North-Western States are generally of the most favorable character.

Parkdale Council has appointed a committee to discuss the annexation question with Toronto.

A Buffalo fishing boat has been seized at Black Creek, Welland County, for illegally fishing with seine-nets.

The first Scott act case in Bracebridge resulted in the fining of Mrs. Frederick Basher $50, on Thursday.

The Grand Trunk Railway is reported to be importing moulders to supply the places of those on strike in Montreal.

The fishing schooner Ella M. Doughty, of Portland, Maine, was seized on Monday at Englishtown, N. S., for purchasing bait.

McFarlane, the convicted Grand Trunk Railway ticket agent at Guelph, has been sentenced to six months imprisonment.

The Revising officer for Muskoka and Parry Sound will require to hold forty sittings for the final revision of the voters' list.

The Council of Arthur neglected to repair a bridge, an accident occurred, and in liquidation of damages the corporation has been mulcted in $3,000.

Opponents of the Scott Act in Peterborough have raised $5,000 to test the validity of the law, and the friends of the Act have raised $4,125 of a defence fund.

The steamship Sarnia, which arrived at Quebec from Liverpool on Thursday, is reported to have landed two small-pox patients, at the Grosse Isle quarantine station.

At a meeting held at Sydney, Cape Breton, on Saturday, resolutions were adopted and a committee appointed to secure local self-government for the Island as a province of the Dominion.

According to the official statistics there are only two dogs of the female persuasion in the whole county of Simcoe. Singularly enough, however, the supply of pups is entirely equal to the demand.

One growing business in Brockville, that of Mr. B. B. Woods, cigar manufacturer, is said to have been injured by the Scott Act. Only five or six hands are now employed. There were nearly forty at this time last year.

The rapid growth of population in the District of Muskoka, and Parry Sound is instanced by the fact that at the preliminary revision of the Dominion voters' list over three thousand names were added to the roll.

A child of Mr. Dodge, of Gordonville, a few days ago suddenly fell to the floor, gasped for breath, struggled feebly a few moments, and expired. Upon examination a pea was found in the windpipe, which fitted so exactly in the passage that breathing was impossible.

The fishery question is creating no feeling in England, especially since Lord Lansdowne's despatch was read in the Imperial House of Commons, stating that the seizure of David J. Adams did not raise the question of territorial waters.

The distress in Newfoundland continues without abatement. A heart-rending story of the death of two men and a boy named Barrett, and another named Sheppard, from starvation and exposure at Criquet, on the French shore, is told. The steamers have all returned from second trips with very few seals. The seal fishery has been a great failure.

W. H. Lowes, of Rothsay, has been appointed a magistrate for the trying of the Scott Act violations in and for the County of Wellington, without salary. It will be pleasant jaunt for violators from this section of the county to go to Rothsay, to be tried, and the round trip can be made in something less than a week.—Erin Advocate.

SCOTT ACT IN PARIS.—A well known farmer visited Paris on Friday and became paralyzed by the Scott Act. He started for home, but after passing the tollgate got out to take a rest, the rig coming on to Brantford. He slept until five o'clock this morning, awakening considerably chilled, and found his way back to Paris for something to take the chill off.—Brantford Expositor.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company are making active preparations for the opening of the line for traffic to British Columbia. The telegraph staff have started from Winnipeg to prepare the lines, and a large gang of navvies left that city on Monday to put the track in readiness. The company will extend their south-western branches fifty miles each this year if possible.

SERVED HIM RIGHT.—At Harriston one day last week a big, long Scott Act man, who, by the way likes a drop, stepped up to the bar of one of our hotels and asked for liquor. After being refused he continued to plead for a "swig" when the proprietor promptly and very properly ordered him out of house. The man that will work and vote for a law and then urge the man he worked and voted against to violate that law is a more contemptible man than any liquor dealer in Ontario.—Guelph Mercury.

DONE FOR.—An Elora Scott Act man dropped into Dalby's hostelrie the other day and asked for a drink. Frank offered the usual programme of soft stuff but his customer wanted "none of them, but some of that," pointing to a bottle on the shelf filled with a liquid looking very like the real old stuff. Frank demurred, the customer insisted, and got the bottle. He filled a stiff "horn" and didn't know until he had taken it quickly down that he had put himself outside about half a tumbler of pure lime juice. He declares that it was sour mash, but doesn't want another dose.—Guelph Mercury.

NEWS ITEMS.

Great distress is reported in Newfoundland.

The United States wheat crop promises well.

Beach, the aquatic champion, has arrived in London.

Affairs in Chicago are steadily resuming their usual aspect.

The widowed Queen of Spain has given birth to a male child.

The Berne authorities are taking active steps against the Mormons.

Frost is reported from various parts of Illinois, Indiana, and Michigan.

Grasshoppers have appeared in Decatur county, Ind., in vast numbers.

A slight shock of earthquake has been felt at Gairlock Head, Scotland.

In an interview in London Beach said, "Haulan is a very fair oarsman."

A grand niece of the late Commodore Vanderbilt has eloped with the coachman.

The Imperial Government has forwarded two million rounds of ball ammunition to Dublin.

Heavy floods are causing much damage in England. Many factories in consequence have had to stop work.

The extradition proceedings in the case of Stone, who shot his niece at Beamsville, are proceeding at Baltimore.

The tunnel of the new acquaduct New York, caved in on Friday night, and James Martha, a workman, was killed.

The latest strikers for higher wages are the students of the Pittsburgh School of Design, who want 25 cents per hour.

It is estimated that the losses by last week's tornado in nine counties of Ohio alone will aggregate two million dollars.

News has reached Dublin of several evictions from Lord Kenmare's estates in Kerry, which are causing much indignation.

Mr. Cartier, a prominent Belgian official, was shot dead on Friday by his brother-in-law because he refused to grant him a loan.

Five Socialists, one of them a Pole, were arrested in San Francisco on Sunday while haranguing a crowd and inciting to sack the residents of rich citizens.

An alienist of Vienna was recently smuggled into the royal apartments of King Ludwig of Bavaria, and declares his Majesty is suffering from delirium tremens.

The Vossche Zeitung says that the Bavarian Cabinet has demanded unanimously that the King make an arrangement with his creditors and limit his expenses in the future.

It is authoritatively contradicted that Princess Clementihe of Belgium is to be married to Prince Albert Victor of Wales, though the fact of her being educated in the Protestant faith gave color to the rumour.

About midnight on Friday night another destructive cyclone swept through the Western States, extending from Indiana to Kansas. Scores of people were killed and injured, and an immense amount of property destroyed.

We are pleased to learn that J. H. McCollom our enterprising druggist has received the agency for the truly celebrated West's Pain King, a certain cure for all bowel difficulties, colic, cholera morbus and cholera. Only 25 cents.

Senator Frye's amendment to the Shipping bill, authorizing retaliation for the action of the Dominion Government in preventing United States fishing vessels purchasing bait in Canadian ports, was passed by the United States Senate.

The barque Violette, from Cienfuegos, which arrived at New York on Sunday, reports that on May 5, at 1.30 a. m., in fine clear weather, the vessel was set on fire in the maintop by a meteor. By prompt action the fire was put out. The meteor seemed like a fire rocket, lighting up the vessel throughout, and in less than ten seconds the masthead was in full blaze.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you disturbed at night and broken of your rest by a sick child suffering and crying with pain of cutting teeth? If so send at once and get a bottle of "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for children teething. Its value is incalculable. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Depend upon it, mothers; there is no mistake about it. It cures Dysentery and Diarrhœa, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, cures Wind Colic, Softens the Gums, reduces Inflammation, and gives tone and energy to the whole system. "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup" for children teething, is pleasant to take and is the prescription of one of the oldest and best female physicians and nurses in the United States and we for sale by all druggists throughout the world. Price twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind. 3 lyr

Worked an Illicit Still.

TEESWATER, Ont., May 18.—Collector Caven, of Stratford, and Officer Nichol, of Walkerton, arrested Anthony Mehan, and had him sentenced to pay a penalty of $300 and go to jail for one month for working an illicit still in the township of Culross.

2-Wednesday Afternoon-4

We have made a change in the date of our sale this week. Remember, it is Wednesday at 2 o'clock, not one moment before, and 4 o'clock not one moment after. We will place upon our Counters, 1,800 yards of good Domestic Gingham which is now offered throughout the city at 10c. We will sell 15 yards for $1, or 7¼ for 50c.

2c.—EMBROIDERY—2c.
We are showing a nice line of Embroidery at 2c., in two or three different patterns.

5c.—DRESS MUSLIN—5c.
We can show you 45 different colors in Printed Dress Muslins at 5c. The goods would be cheap at 8 or 10c.

8½c.—CHECK MUSLIN—8½c.
Our 8½c. Check Muslin has been going out at a splendid rate. Immense value always brings the public.

LACE COLLARS.
We have reduced away down in price every Lace Collar in the house, $1 reduced to 75c. 85c. to 60c., 50c. to 35c., 40c. & 45c. to 35c. 30c. & 35c. to 25c., 25c to 20c, 20c. to 15c. 15c. to 10c., 12½c. to 10c.

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8½c.—SHIRTING—8½c.
Pratt & Watkins' 8½c. Shirting is the wonder of the world.

15c.—KID GLOVES—15c.
Pratt & Watkins have about 20 doz. evening shades of Kid Gloves which they will close at 15c.

REDUCED—TOWELS—REDUCED.
Nearly every Towel in the house sold at reduced prices.

REDUCED—COLLARS—REDUCED
We have reduced every Lace Collar away down to clearing out prices.

25c—LADIES' COTTON PARSOLS—25c.
Pratt & Watkins sell a nice Parasol in ladies' size at 25c.

5c.—PRINTS—5c.
Pratt & Watkins sell a first class line of Prints, most all colors.

4c.—TOWELLING—4c.
Pratt & Watkins sell a good stripe Towelling at 4c.

6½c.—LINING—6½c.
Pratt & Watkins have any color in their 6½c. Dress Lining.

10c.—DRESS GOODS 10—c.
Pratt & Watkins have fifty yards of dress Goods they sell at 10c.

15c.—NUN'S VEILING—25c.
Pratt & Watkins' French All-wool Nun's Veiling is a desperate bargain.

3c.—GRAY COTTON—3c.
We show rather a good Cotton at the extremely low rate of 3c.

4c.—WHITE COTTON—4c.
If in need of white cotton, we are in position to sell you at lower prices than house in Hamilton, as we know we have inside track in the white cottons.

12½c—CHECK SHIRTINGS—12½c.
We sell at 12½c. one of the best shirtings made in Canada. The ordinary retail price elsewhere for these good is 15c.

4c.—LINEN TOWELING—4c.
We have got Toweling down to a pretty fine thing, when we can show you a good Toweling at 4c.

20c.—CHILDREN'S PARASOLS—20c.
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About 25 pieces of the All-wool 42-inch Mohair Boucle Cloth at 50c. still left. Beautiful Dress Goods at 15, 20, 25 and 30 cents per yard, all-wool.

Don't fail to call and examine A. M. & Co.'s immense stock in every department. Special attention is called to their splendid stock of Silks, of which the choicest makes are always on hand at the very lowest quotations. Their stock of Lace Curtains is being cleared out at manufacturers' prices.

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SPRING ANNOUNCEMENT.

McLEOD, ANDERSON & CO.,

GEORGETOWN.

In making their announcement for the Spring, would say that owing to the unforseen circumstances and hard times prevalent in this community, they have been unable to carry out their announcement of their dissolution of partnership. The said partnership will therefore continue for one year longer, so as to give all parties who are still owing us on account, a further opportunity to call and settle their accounts. We purpose to do business entirely for cash or produce. No goods will be charged. We will sell goods cheap; we have had such an experience of the old time credit business, which enables us to say little, that this is a very dismal way of doing business. The honest and trusty man who pays up promptly has to pay for the dishonest man, who never pays at all. We are satisfied that every person who looks at the cash system of doing business will say that it is the only honest and fair principle of doing business. We can buy cheaper; you will buy cheaper. We will sell goods at wholesale prices, paying cash and getting all the advantages which does accrue to the cash buyer. Try our system; see our goods; compare prices, and we are satisfied you will save 25c. per cent, on all goods purchased from us. Ladies, we are this season showing the neatest and most stylish Millinery, Mantles, &c., &c., all new and latest styles. Dress Goods, Dress Trimmings, Buttons, Fringes, &c., &c., all to match. Dress Making in all the newest styles done on the premises, under the management of a first-class Dress Maker. Ladies, buy your Dress Goods, and leave your order if you want a fashionable dress. Prints, Muslins, Lawns and Ginghams, all new, neat and nobby. Our Ordered Clothing Department, we can speak with pride about it. We have the finest and most extensive stock of Tweeds, Trouserings, &c., in the province, and our cutter is A No. 1. Try our nobby fits and cheap prices. Gent's furnishings in grand style and large assortment. Ready-made Clothing very cheap, big stock to select from. Carpets, in Brussels, Tapestry, 2 & 3 ply, Wool, Union, and Hemp. Oil Cloths, all widths and prices, all to be sold cheaper than the cheapest. Our Staple Department is full. Cottons, 3c. per yd and up, White Cotton, 5c., Towels, 3c., Tabling, 25c., Cottonades, Ducks and Denims, from 12½c. up. Men, women and children, you cannot fail to save money by buying your goods from us. Try and see. We are in earnest. We will sell cheap for cash only. No more bad debts. Our customers will receive the benefit. Don't delay, but come and see our cheap goods and you will surely buy.

McLEOD, ANDERSON & CO.,

"Mammoth House," Georgetown.

P. S.—We return our sincere thanks to those of our customers who have always been our friends, and trust they will continue to patronize us.

THE RIGHT HOUSE IS CROWDED WITH LADIES DAILY

Because Watkins adopts his services to their general need. They are almost sure to get everything they require in those big stores, and to get them at the lowest prices that good qualities of goods can be afforded for, and if anything is wrong, it will be made right by reporting it to the principal. As the goods are bought for the cash direct from the manufacturers the prices are the very lowest. Enormous stocks of Laces in the various new shades, and in French, British, Belgain, Swiss and Irish makes, in widths from ½ of an inch to 40 inches wide. Dress, Mantle, Ulster, Coat, Overcoat, Vest and Pant Buttons in abundance. Owing to the immense crowds of customers lately, Watkins could not get his big lot of Vegetable Ivory Buttons put in stock until this week, but there are 748 gross of them ready now, which are being sold at less than half price. An immense quantity and variety of Ladies', Misses', Gents' and Boys' Hosiery, Gloves, Underwear, Neckwear and Nightwear in very superior value, in all the latest shades. Big piles of Window Curtains, Table Covers, Tidies and Lambrequins in Silk Damask, Wool Damask, Silk Plush, Silk and Cotton, and Silk and Wool; in Madras, Syrian, Fancy Scrim, Striped in Gold and in Red, also Plain Red, Plain Gold, Ecru and Oriental Striped. A Very Big Stock of New Canadian Tweeds, Bought for Cash from a Large House Closing out their Business, at Far Below Their Prices, and Selling Exceedingly Cheap. The following goods arrived lately: Large lots of Curtains, Table Covers, Curtain Cloths, Felts, Laces, Book and Indin Muslins Lens; Canvas, Zephyr, Plain and Fancy Lawn Dress Goods, Skirtings, Infants' Bibs, Feeders and Hats, Handkerchiefs in immense variety from 5c. up to $3, Beautiful Drops, Ostrich Mounts, and Flowers, a very large shipment of French Laces, and French Lace Tidies, Silks, Ribbons and Ladies' Satchels, Ladies', Gents', Misses' and Boy's Underwear and Hosiery, Veleteens, Victoria Lawns, Ladies Hats in White and Colors, Bouton, Soudan and Bege French Dress Goods, Shrunk Serge for Boy's wear, Galates Skirts, a case of New Styles of Woolen Wraps, Shawls for Boating and Garden Parties direct from Berlin, Ginghams, Fancy Prints, Sheeting, Dress Buttons, Umbrellas and Parasols, Kid and Lisle Gloves, Colored Dress and Mantle Trimming, Rosary Trimmings, Galon, Rosettes, Blue Serge for Boys' wear. Green and Crimson Baize, Olive, Ruby and Scarlet Felt, Mats, Crumb Cloths, Cocoa Mats, Carpets, Striped Hessian. Good Linen Towelling at 5c., Canvas, &c. There are immense stocks of Carpets, Linoleums, Floor Oil-cloths, Window Shades, Carpet Sweepers, etc., very cheap. There have 18 packages arrived this week, making 313 this season already. Remember the place, one door west of Hughson Street, on King Street east. The name is

THOMAS C. WATKINS.

Hamilton, May 1, 1886.

Farm for Sale.

On Lot 16, Con. 1, 110 acres—50 acres of good pine and hardwood, three miles from Oakville.

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Private Boarding.

Apply to MRS. LAVERY, Mill Street, Milton.

Bees, Bees.

Twenty Colonies of Bees for sale; all strong and in good order. Apply to W. P. MONTGOMERY, Kilbride.

Lime for Sale

Near Rattlesnake Point, Nelson, 14 cents per bushel.

48-4t. LUCCASEY & HARTLEY.

NOTICE.

THE COURT OF REVISION for the Town of MILTON for A. D. 1886, will hold its first meeting at the Town Hall, Milton, on

Wednesday, the 2nd of June,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of hearing complaints against Assessment Roll for 1886.

48-2t. G. SMITH,
Milton, May 19, '86. Clerk.

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